

Dear Master Gardener Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Georgia Master Gardener Extension Volunteer program! Its purpose is to assist UGA Extension by training volunteer educators to provide current horticultural information through community service and educational gardening projects using applied research and the resources of the University of Georgia.

MGEV programs are coordinated at the county level by the local Extension office. Each local program has multiple projects that reach out to the local communities, teaching about horticulture and gardening, answering garden-



By completing the \_\_\_\_\_ (below), you are indicating your interest in the Georgia MGEV Program. You will receive follow-up communication from the county Extension office.

As enrollment in the Master Gardener program is limited, you are encouraged to fill out the application as thoroughly as possible. The selection committee, comprised of an Extension staff member and a group of veteran Master Gardener Extension Volunteers, reads all applications. Selections will be based on your interest in being an Extension volunteer, your interest in community service, as well as your knowledge, expertise and experience in related areas. Applicants will be called for an interview.

If selected for participation in the MGEV program, you will be notified by the local Extension office. At that time, you will be asked to submit any program fees by the specified deadline. If payment is not received by the deadline, and no arrangements have been made, your name will be removed from the class acceptance list and an alternate selected.



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Name			
Preferred name for name badge (First and Last)			
Mailing Address			
Additional Address			
City		State	Zip





Have you participated in any UGA Extension programs in the past? Please list the most recent. If not, please write "N/A".

Why do you wish to become a Master Gardener Extension Volunteer?

What are some ways you can see yourself volunteer as a Master Gardener in our community?



Where are you comfortable volunteering? (check





I understand that submission of this application does not guarantee acceptance to the program. I understand that to be considered as a UGA MGEV Trainee, I will need to complete a UGA Volunteer Agreement, background screening (including motor vehicle records check), interview with Extension personnel, and pay any program fees.

I understand that Georgia Master Gardener® status is acquired only after successful completion of the volunteer training program and volunteer service, including:

- Completion of classroom training (minimum of 50 hours), not missing more than 20% of training classes. I am responsible for class material covered in my absence;
- successfully passing the midterm and final exams with a score of 70% or better on each;
- and completing 50 hours of volunteer service in support of Extension-approved projects in the county in which I completed training within 12 months of completing classroom training. Any exceptions must first be approved by my local coordinator.

I will not use my Master Gardener Extension Volunteer status to promote any commercial venture or to make money.

I understand that I can continue with the MGEV program after completing the first year. To do so, I will complete an annual Intent