

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF A MASTER GARDENER?

Along with the camaraderie, West Virginia Master Gardeners share their knowledge at a variety of public venues. Volunteer activities may include:

- Public Gardens and Demonstration Gardens
- School Gardens
- Garden Festivals
- Plant Sales
- Workshops and Seminars
- Presentations
- Plant Clinics
- Display Booths



IS MASTER GARDENING FOR YOU?

- Would I love to learn more about gardening?
- Would I like to participate in a practical and intensive training program?
- Would I love to share my knowledge and engage with my community?
- Do I have the time?

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the Jefferson County Extension Office for an application. Applications will be accepted until November 15, 2024.

HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!

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WEST VIRGINIA EXTENSION MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM

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MASTER GARDENERS

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY EXTENSION MASTER GARDENER



This title is given to those who graduate from the program's comprehensive training course, and complete the 40-hour volunteer internship.

TRAINING

The 2025 training will be held in a hybrid approach. In-person classes are held every other Monday evening from 6 to 9 PM starting January 13th and ending April 21st. Classes are held at:

**WVU Kearneysville Tree Fruit
Research & Education Center
67 Apple Harvest Lane
Kearneysville, WV 25430**

Seven core courses will be held virtually, with the schedule TBD. Those courses will be recorded.



COST

The tuition fee of \$100 includes the Master Gardener Training Manual.

TRAINING TOPICS

Local experts cover a range of topics including:

- Soil Science
- Botany
- Native Plants
- Composting
- Wildlife Management
- Growing Vegetables
- Weeds
- Turf Grass
- Entomology
- Plant Diseases
- Herbs
- Trees 101
- Small Fruit and Tree Fruit
- Plant Propagation



VOLUNTEER INTERNSHIP

Following graduation, student interns are expected to complete 40 hours of volunteer service within the first year. The local Extension Master Gardener Association and the Program Advisor will advise and guide interns throughout the year to ensure a rewarding, effective experience.

CERTIFICATION

When internship requirements are fully satisfied, interns are certified as West Virginia Extension Master Gardeners (EMGs) and receive a certificate and name badge.



REMAINING CERTIFIED

Each year, the EMG must complete 10 hours of approved continuing education and 20 hours of volunteer service (minimum) to remain certified. Hours are tracked between September 1 and August 31.

The Extension Office and other Master Gardeners will connect the EMG membership with approved outlets to earn volunteer and continuing education hours.