Georgia Master Gardener Extension Volunteer Project Proposal Form

Date Proposed

The mission of the GA MGEV Program is to assist Cooperative Extension by training Master Gardener Extension Volunteers to provide unbiased horticultural information to Georgians through volunteer community service and educational gardening projects using applied research and the resources of the University of Georgia.

1. Basic Project Information

Project Title: 

Host county: 

Estimated Project Start + End Dates: 

Person(s) Proposing/Requesting Project: 

Contact Info of person(s) proposing/requesting project (phone numbers and email addresses): 

Purpose of Project: 

State Initiative that most closely aligns with Project Purpose:

- Environmental Stewardship – projects targeting specific environmental issues
- Gardening with Youth – includes any project with a youth audience
- Value of Landscapes – projects that have a community or economic development aspect
- Health Benefits of Gardening – projects that address plant benefits to human health, well-being, and quality of life
- Home Food Production – projects that teach people to grow fruits and vegetables for personal use
- General Extension Support – activities that support Extension operations
- MGO Program Support – service hours in support of Master Gardener organizations for which a signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is on file

Horticultural Focus: (Choose up to three keywords.)

- Edibles (fruits, nuts, vegetables, herbs)
- Insect pests and/or beneficials
- Invasives
- Natives
- Plant diseases
- Septic education
- Turf
- Water quality
- Entrepreneurship
- Integrated Pest Management
- Landscape
- Ornaments (woodies and herbaceous)
- Pollinator Stewardship
- Therapeutic or accessible gardening
- Urban Forestry
- Water-smart landscaping
2. Project Audience
Who is the intended audience for this project? If a or b is checked/selected, the proposal must also be reviewed by 4-H staff.
  a. Cloverbuds, youth grades K-3
  b. Youth, grades 4-12
  c. Young Adults, collegiate level
  d. Adults, ages 24-54
  e. Seniors, ages 55+
  f. Special population

3. Project Resource Requirements
Estimated number of Volunteers needed to make the project a success:

Estimated number of Hours needed:

Training needed:

Funding Needed/Financial Source:

Other groups or organizations involved:

4. Anticipated Effects and Values
Project Goals
  - Agricultural literacy
  - Childhood overweight prevention
  - Community service
  - Dietary guidelines
  - Food preparation (fresh fruits and vegetables)
  - Food preservation (fresh fruits and vegetables)
  - Healthy eating
  - Improve wellbeing or life quality
  - Improved pest identification before treatment
  - Improved pollinator habitat or food sources
  - Increased exercise
  - Proper plant selection
  - Providing horticultural experiences to new audiences
  - Reduced yardwaste
  - Reduced/timely fertilizer applications
  - Saving money on food
  - Septic system education
  - Water conservation
  - Workforce preparation
Project Approach:

- Admin/Program Support
- Community-based program
- Diagnostics/Help Desk/Plant Clinic
- Extension Office
- Habitat for Humanity
- Horticultural Show/Fairs/Flower Shows
- Judge
- Media
- Plant sale/fund raiser
- Speaker Series
- Youth Club
- Youth project advisor
- After-school program
- Demonstration
- Exhibits
- Garden tour
- Home/site visits
- In-school program
- Junior Master Gardener (JMG) programs
- MG SPROUTS
- Presentation (< 2 hours)
- Workshop (+2 hours)
- Youth day camp

This project is a physical garden site. (Leave this section blank if project is not at a physical garden site.)

☐ This is a community garden.
☐ This is a demonstration garden.
☐ This is a historic garden.
☐ This is located at a school.

Anticipated effect project will have on the community it serves:

Educational value of project:
**Procedures required for implementing the project:**

FOR PROJECTS WITH YOUTH AUDIENCES: Projects with an intended youth audience need to be reviewed with 4-H staff to ensure proper documentation efforts. Required 4-H documentation:

- [ ] youth registration card needed
- [ ] Code of Conduct required
- [ ] Medical Release required
- [ ] accident insurance needed
- [ ] return all papers to 4-H staff for records retention

**Projected sustainability and maintenance plan:**

**Annual evaluation and measurable impact of project:**

MGEV Representative: _______________________________ Date: ________________

County Extension Agent Approval: _______________________________ Date: ________________

County Extension 4-H Reviewer for youth projects: _______________________________ Date: ________________