

WASHINGTON COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS MISSION STATEMENT



As horticultural trained volunteers, Master Gardeners extend research-based information through demonstration and educational programs using horticulture best practices, and by strengthening communities and families throughout Arkansas.

GOALS:

- To expand the ability of the Cooperative Extension Service in disseminating horticultural information to the community.
- To develop community programs related to horticulture which:
 - Participate** in landscape improvement activities with area civic, government, or non-profit organizations.
 - Develop** demonstration gardens and educational events for the community.
 - Enhance** 4-H through establishment and support of the Junior Master Gardener program.
 - Maintain** an active MG volunteer network organization that is administratively self-sufficient.
 - Interact** with other organizations sharing our mission.

OBJECTIVES:

- Conduct annual class training of screened prospective member-volunteers.
- Provide opportunities for annual volunteer hour requirements for continuing membership.
- Provide opportunities for annual continuing education requirements for continuing membership.
- Conduct monthly meetings providing educational programs/speakers.
- Conduct special educational events/seminars/tours related to horticultural activities.
- Engage in joint projects and cooperate with other organizations that share our mission.
- Engage community support through corporate and individual donations via the UA Foundation.