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**PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD**

**Washington County Master Gardeners**

**Submission Deadline is October 15** Please submit a digital copy in Word format to Colin Massey, cmassey@uada.edu, with “Awards Committee” in subject line.

Name of MG Contact Submitting Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

MG Contact Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Project Inception Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of MGs who worked the Project: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Total MG Project hours worked:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Chair Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Assistant Chair Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Ass’t. Chair Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Indicate if Co-Chairs are equal partners or Chair is leader: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Guidelines.** This award is open to all sanctioned projects within an MG program EXCEPT a) those that have won Project of the Year or b) Excellence in Education (EIE) in the last 5 years. Renomination of a previously winning Project or EIE 5+ years ago requires substantial new documented and measured results. Statewide Master Gardener events (e.g., hosting Advanced Training) are NOT eligible for this award.

The **nomination must not exceed 800 words**. (Note that required nomination title, subheadings (to break up lengthy text passages) and image captions are NOT part of the document word count.) Please submit the following information:

1. Give a description of the project including how it started and its evolution to today, the project’s location, intended audience(s), and current project goals. List the number of MGs who worked the project and total MG project hours. Be sure to identify all project partnerships, their roles and contributions to the project. (40 points)
2. Identify the project’s impacts on the intended audience(s), MG program, Extension Service and county. Be sure to include how the project impact was measured and evaluated. (40 points).
3. Discuss the ease of replicating the project, how the project was funded and how much it cost to implement and maintain. (10 points)
4. Submit four (4) high-resolution action-oriented digital images in JPEG format embedded at the end of your nomination. Identify via captions who is in the image, the project name and site, and MG work being performed. Images should provide support, clarify and enhance the understanding of the nomination narrative. Digital images may include photographs, garden planning/layout sketches, newspaper clippings, etc. (10 points)

**Winning nominations** will be presented as a short video at the AR MG State Conference, then nomination material highlights may be made available on the publicly accessible AR MG website. Please have numerous additional action-shot images available to enhance the video. **Please note that minors and adults who have not signed photo waivers need to have their facial features blurred.**

**For guidance in writing effective entries, use Checklist for Writing an Effective Master Gardener Nomination.**

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