



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

**Master Gardener Interests and Skills Form**

We are very pleased that you are interested in becoming a part of the University of Minnesota Extension Master Gardener Program. To give us a sense of your interests in various types of Master Gardener projects and to let us know about specific experiences and skills you could bring to the program, please respond to the sections below.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

**What types of projects most interest you as a Master Gardener volunteer?**

*Circle the response each item that most aligns with your interest..*

Most	Neutral	Least	
1	2	3	Provide personal consultation for friends or clients on gardening problems.
1	2	3	Conduct diagnosis of plant problems at plant clinics and public information booths.
1	2	3	Answer direct telephone questions.
1	2	3	Research and answer referral telephone questions
1	2	3	Develop teaching materials and displays.
1	2	3	Assist in community demonstration garden plots and exhibits.
1	2	3	Assist in community gardening and environmental horticulture programs.
1	2	3	Conduct garden talks and demonstrations to community groups and clubs.
1	2	3	Conduct gardening programs with youth through schools or youth organizations.
1	2	3	Write gardening bulletins, newsletters, news columns.
1	2	3	Develop gardening information for county web sites.
1	2	3	Assist in projects with partner organizations like Habitat for Humanity, a county nursing home, etc.
1	2	3	Work on projects focused on environmental stewardship, like rain gardens, shoreline management, etc.

1	2	3	Coordinate Master Gardener volunteers.
1	2	3	Serve in local program leadership role – a committee member, program officer, etc.
1	2	3	Assist diverse and immigrant audiences learn about gardening.

**What types of audience would you be interested to work with?**

Most	Neutral	Least	
1	2	3	Children - elementary age
1	2	3	Youth - Junior/Senior high School
1	2	3	Adults
1	2	3	Senior citizens
1	2	3	Physically or mentally handicapped
1	2	3	Ethnically Diverse / Immigrants
1	2	3	Limited income

**What experiences and skill do you bring that would be valuable to the MG program?**

*Check those that apply*

- Computer skills
- Website development
- Artwork, displays
- Photography
- Drawing/illustrating
- Writing/publishing
- Proofreading
- Marketing
- Research/data collection
- Public speaking
- Speak language other than English
- Teaching
- Other:

**In what areas do you have the most experience and interest?**

*Check those that apply*

- Annuals
- Perennials
- Roses
- Lawns/turf
- Ornamental grasses
- Native plants
- Vegetables
- Herbs
- Fruit trees
- Berries and grapes
- Trees and shrubs
- Soils
- Composting
- Rain gardens/shoreline
- Insects
- Diseases
- Landscape design
- Water gardens
- Weeds
- Other: