MG VOLUNTEER AND CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS FOR THE YEAR 2015

MGV-in-Training must turn in required volunteer hours within one year of completing training. Recertifying MGVs must turn in volunteer and C.E. hours by **September 1, 2015** to their local county recordkeeper. **Do NOT** send this form to the Master Gardener Program Office in Madison. **Send your timesheets to:**

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**TOTAL HOURS**  □ confidentiality requested (see reverse)

**PLEASE CHOOSE ONE:**

□ I intend to participate in the MG Program next year.

□ I am moving on to other things.
Voluntary Demographic Data

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Race (check one):

☐ White
☐ African American
☐ American Indian/Alaska Native
☐ Asian
☐ Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
☐ Some other race
☐ Two or more races

Ethnicity (check one):

☐ Hispanic or Latino
☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

Gender (check one):

☐ Male
☐ Female

Year of Birth____________

Under the Wisconsin Public Records Law, UW-Extension ordinarily must release lists in its custody to the public upon request. Your name, address, telephone number or email address may be included on such a list unless you request confidentiality in writing. The UW-Extension will, to the extent possible under the Wisconsin Public Records Law, withhold client names from lists when requested.

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I do not want the University of Wisconsin-Extension to reveal my name, address, or telephone number to the public as part of a record or list.

Signed_________________________________________________________________ Date ________________
Use the first page of this form to record your Master Gardener volunteer activities and C.E. hours. *Keep a copy for your files*, then turn in hours to the recordkeeper listed by the deadline, unless an earlier date is specified by your training facilitator.

- **Intern MGVs** – record volunteer hours for initial certification. Additional Continuing Education hours are **NOT** required the first year (but you can record them anyway). A minimum of 24 hours of volunteer service are required.
- **MGVs recertifying** – record both volunteer and continuing education hours. A minimum of 24 hours of volunteer service and 10 hours of continuing education are required annually.
- **MGVs inactive for 5 or more years** – record volunteer and continuing education hours. A minimum of 24 hours of volunteer service and **20 hours** CE are required. Recertification for the next year returns to 10 hours CE.
- **Out-of-State MG seeking WI certification** – contact your local Extension agent or the MG Program Office for guidelines.

All volunteer projects and C.E. should be for UW-Extension sponsored programs or projects or community or civic group projects or programs, and **should be approved by the local sponsoring UW-Extension Agent.** Travel time based on the time a MGV leaves home until returning home, minus personal errands, and **preparation and research time** on projects or programs can be included in volunteer service hours. (Travel time to CE programs **cannot be counted.**)

**Record volunteer hours by the following categories:**

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<th>Youth Education (Youth Ed) – volunteer hours dedicated to youth education</th>
<th>Community Education (Comm. Ed) – volunteer hours dedicated to adult/community education</th>
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<td>e.g. 4-H projects &amp; activities, county fair, youth clubs &amp; organizations, school classroom presentations,</td>
<td>e.g. recycling, water quality &amp; environmental displays &amp; presentations, Farmer’s Market, Gardenline, trips or tours for the public, group presentations, writing articles for newspapers, newsletters or websites, etc. This includes researching and preparing for presentations.</td>
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**Support Services** – volunteer hours dedicated to service projects

- e.g. community beautification, water quality and environmental projects, community committees, and research projects. Also coordinating MG activities, newsletters, or UW-Ext. office projects, meetings by officers, committees and board members of local MG associations and the WIMGA and local MG meetings, **but only for portions of meetings dedicated to planning or working on Extension approved programs or projects.**

**Continuing Education (CE)** – education hours from attending programs offered by:

- **UW-Extension….**
  - Level 2 MG Training
  - Weekly summer Hort Update programs
  - Advanced Hort programs
  - Public Radio Show hosting Ext. Specialists
- Horticulture webinars
- Materials from UW-Media Collection
- WIMGA Annual Conference
- Regional MG Conference
- Research Station Field days
- International MG Conference
- Other Ext. programs
- Other states’ Ext. programs
- Guided Garden Tours
- WI Gardener on Public TV
- WI DNR or other state agencies

**NOTE:** While gardening books, unapproved television programs, the Internet and self guided garden tours are encouraged, they **DO NOT QUALIFY** for Continuing Education recertification hours. The quality of this information is variable and difficult to evaluate. The WI Gardener and other selected TV programs approved by the local sponsoring UW-Extension Agent **DO** qualify.