DOUGLAS COUNTY EXTENSION MASTER GARDENERS

HANDBOOK'S APPENDICES

2024

Mission Statement

To share research-based, horticultural information with the residents of Douglas County, in partnership with K-State Research and Extension.

Forms in this Appendix are available individually on the <u>douglas.k-state.edu</u> website, under Lawn and Garden.

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Appendix B

Volunteer Contract for EMG

Note: This is a one-time contract and will remain on file with the EMG records

Volunteer Contract Kansas Extension Master Gardener Program - Douglas County

The Douglas County Extension Master Gardener (EMG) program is a Committee structured volunteer program authorized and organized by K-State Research and Extension -- Douglas County in cooperation with Kansas State University. Volunteers are non-paid citizens of Douglas County who agree to abide by the rules and regulations established by the State, County, and local EMG Association.

Applicants agree to attend the prescribed basic training and perform an additional 40 volunteer hours for that first year following basic training. This will certify them as an EMG. Continued certification will require the member to complete 30 volunteer hours and 10 advanced education hours per year.

EMGs are advised not to advertise their names or their place of business, nor to be listed on the advertisements of business places as "Extension Master Gardener." This is a Kansas State University public service program. Appearing as a commercial activity, having association with commercial products, or giving implied Kansas State University endorsements of any product or place of business is improper.

EMGs are expected to participate in all components of the planned program responsive to the reasonable requests of the county agent in charge, and respectful of the need for personal safety and the safety of others. An EMG should report any and all injuries or physical assault to the County Extension Agent as soon as possible. All certified and active EMGs are covered under the K-State Research and Extension - Douglas County general liability insurance policy when participating in an approved activity. This coverage is limited to \$500,000 per occurrence, which corresponds with the Kansas Tort Claims Act.

I have read the above policies regarding my services as an Extension Master Gardener volunteer and do hereby agree to abide by them. In addition, I am aware that there is a due process procedure available to me if I feel I have been wrongfully charged with a violation of program standards. I have also read the county guidelines regarding active/inactive status of EMGs and understand the requirements to maintain certification.

Note: This was signed and dated with your application to EMG. This is a reminder only

Printed name of volunteer	
Signature of Volunteer	Date
County Extension Agent	Date

Appendix C

Volunteer and Education Guidelines and Reporting

1) First Year Extension Master Gardeners

- a) During the first year following successful completion of the EMG course, EMGs must complete 40 volunteer hours on any of the current EMG approved activities.
- b) First year EMGs are encouraged to attend advanced training sessions, it is not required.

2) Extension Master Gardeners after the first year

- a) To maintain active membership in the Douglas County Extension Master Gardener association, members must complete thirty (30) hours of volunteer work each year.
- b) They must also complete ten (10) hours of continuing education. Education hours are offered after each regular business meeting, during evening classes sponsored by the Extension Office, advanced training at Kansas State University, and potential classes / programs offered for our Horticultural awareness. Note, some of these need approval by the Douglas County Agent Horticulture or Horticulture Program Assistant
- c) Volunteer and Education Hours are to be reported with as much detail as possible on or before Dec 31st.
- 3) EMG volunteers are viewed as "non-salaried" employees in order to be considered under the Kansas Tort Claims Act for recommendations/advice. The EMG program is a means of supplementing and extending the local horticultural Extension educational program. Thus, anything the EMGs do must first be a part of the local educational program. The first benchmark in determining the appropriateness of volunteer hours is, "Does this support the local Extension educational program?" Volunteer hours should be recorded for the specific activities in the hour reporting website. Miscellaneous activities and other descriptions are noted below.

4) Volunteer Hours are counted for

- a) Development of educational materials for use by EMGs
- b) Educational events and activities specifically supported by the Extension (for example, volunteering at the Douglas County fair, Farm Tour)
- c) Activities carried out by official EMG committees or officially sanctioned cooperative activities (such as Monarch Watch, Garden Tour, Farmers Market)
- d) Administration volunteer hours include the time required for continuation of the program (examples include: agendas, schedule development, committee reports, newsletter, meeting minutes, balancing the books)
- e) Attendance at a regular business meetings or board meetings does count as volunteer hours.
- f) Travel time does count toward the volunteer hour total. Travel time to and from approved activities, for both planning them and carrying them out, is reportable. Discretion should be used if the trip to the event includes other errands.
- 5) Three distinct elements should be part of any EMG volunteer undertaking:
 - a) EMG volunteers relate to the education/volunteer concept, which involves learning from training and from volunteering. Thus, EMG activities should contain some educational or training value.
 - b) EMGs relate to the importance or value of their projects. Thus, they should be able to

see a clear reason for the events and activities they support, which directly benefits the Extension and its clientele.

c) EMGs also relate to other EMGs and enjoy volunteering with others and working collectively to learn and form social bonds. Thus, EMG volunteer projects should be group oriented.

Appendix C (continued)

Hours are reported via the Kansasemg.org website

These are the current Categories and Sub-Categories for the Kansasemg.org hour reporting website. Note these are subject to change as activities evolve.

Category	
Sub-Category	
Administration	
EMG Board	Hospitality Committee
Mentoring	Book Club
Monthly meeting attendance	Newsletter - Monthly Update
Public relations	Other - explain
EMG Resource Library/Historian	Special Events
Database and Label-making	
Advanced Education	
Douglas County	Hotline (1-hour max per day)
Manhattan KSU	Other - explain
Book Club (1-hour max per book)	•
Fund Raising	
Garden Art Development	Other
Native Plant Sales/Sharing	
Outreach	
Baldwin - Tom Swan Park	Demonstration Gardens Fairgrounds
Hoop House	Downtown Lawrence Farmers Market
Eudora Garden	Public Education -Library Program
Hotline-Response Line	Junior Master Gardener program
Monarch Watch	Produce Distribution Program
Speaker's Bureau	KU Native Medicinal Garden
Other - explain	
Public Events	
Garden Show	
Garden Tour	Gardening workshops - specify

Other - explain

NOTE:

The system will show and track a requirement of 30 volunteer hours and 10 advanced education hours for ALL enrollees.

Master Gardeners in Training need 40 volunteer hours and no advanced training hours. They can attend and report advanced training if they choose.

Travel time should be included when reporting volunteer hours. Travel time is not included when reporting advanced education hours.

Appendix D

COMMITTEE/ACTIVITY INTEREST

All EMG's must serve on committees, participate in activities of interest, and to indicate a willingness to serve as a committee coordinator

Commit	tees / activities are listed as they support the Mission of the Extension Master Gardeners.
(Garden Show (planning and assistance for this one-day Spring event in even years)
]	Horticulture Hotline (assist with phone, email, and walk-in horticulture questions Apr – Oct)
	Advanced Educational Programs (planning and arranging the monthly EMG meeting programs)
]	Demonstration Garden/Fairgrounds -Douglas County Fairgrounds, 2110 Harper, Lawrence (planning, planting, weeding, watering, and maintenance)
]	Demonstration Garden/Monarch Watch Waystation#1- KU West Campus, 2021 Constant Ave. (planning, planting, weeding, watering, and maintenance)
]	Demonstration Garden/Tom Swan Park-High and 8th Streets, Baldwin (planning, planting, weeding, watering, and maintenance)
]	Demonstration Garden/KU Native Medicinal Research Station-1865 E. 1600 Rd., Lawrence (planning, planting, weeding, watering, and maintenance)
]	Demonstration Garden/Eudora- CPA Park, 10 W 9 th St., Eudora (planning, planting, weeding, watering, and maintenance)
	Farmers Market (Saturday mornings May-Oct. Staff EMG table for 2 hours)
	Public Education-Library Program (organize library programs at LPL)
	Public Education-Speaker's Bureau (organize speakers for local groups, or be a speaker)
	EMG Newsletter/Update (development and editing of the monthly UPDATE Newsletter)
	Jr. Master Gardeners (after school horticulture and activities, currently at NY Elementary)
	EMG Resource Library/Historian (maintenance of the EMG library, publications, and Internet resources/collect and organize past publications/events)
1	Native Plant Sales (donation, preparation, and display of plants for sale at events)
]	Produce Distribution Program (assist with the distribution of food to the hungry)
]	Hospitality (planning, set up, clean-up of the EMG social activities)
1	New Class Mentoring/Training (assist new class members with the training and EMG operations)
(Garden Art Development (development and sales of items in support of EMG events)
J	Public Relations (assist in publicizing EMG events and activities using social/other media)
(Garden Tour (planning, organizing, staffing, supporting this EMG fundraiser, odd years)
(Garden Tour Selection (selecting, visiting gardens for the Garden Tour, even years)
J	Hoop House (coordinates the maintenance of and activities in the EMG Hoop House)

Appendix E

Extension Master Gardener Officers for 2024

President – Sharon Laverentz
Vice President – Larry Nieters
Secretary – Glenda Tennis
Treasurer – Kathy Reed
Public Relations – Kevin Nelson

Member-at-Large – Mary Dillon
 Member-at-Large – Kimberly Patterson
 Member-at-Large – Andrea Baloga
 New Class Member-at-large – Kellee Pratt

Appendix F

Extension Master Gardener Executive Board Meeting Dates for 2024

The following dates have been established for monthly board meetings for 2023. These meeting dates fall on the first Wednesday of the month. The time for the meetings will be 9:00 a.m.; meetings are held at the Douglas County Extension Office.

Any changes or additions to the board meeting dates will be communicated to the membership as soon as possible.

January 3 February 7 March 6 April 3 May 1 June 5 July 3
August 7
September 4
October 2
November 6
December no meeting

Appendix G

Extension Master Gardener Membership Roster

Membership Rosters are maintained in three places:

- 1- A spreadsheet, containing contact information and more. This is maintained by the Horticulture Agent and or the Horticulture Program Assistant. It is used for printed rosters and record of member status. It is not available to members.
- 2- A List serve email application through K-State. This is maintained by the Horticulture Agent and or the Horticulture Program Assistant. It is used for Emails to all current members. It is not available to members.
- 3- The www.ksuemg.org website application through K-State. This is maintained by the individual members and is available to members through their individual log on and password. The "My Group" section is a listing of all the Master Gardeners who have signed up to this website. It is not managed as to current or active members and may not be completely accurate. This list is maintained by the individual members.

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Should you make changes to your contact information (address, phone, and email) it is necessary to contact the Extension Agent - Horticulture or the Horticulture Program Assistant.

Appendix H

Extension Master Gardener Monthly Business Meeting Schedule 2024

The following dates for the Monthly Meetings have been established for 2024. Monthly meetings will alternate Wednesday and Saturday mornings to allow maximum participation. The goal of this calendar is to provide advance notice for those meetings.

Business meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the Douglas County Extension Office unless otherwise noted. The Educational portion will follow at approximately 10:15 am (January will be an exception with start time at 10:30 am due to the Activity Fair). Members will be notified ahead of time regarding changes in schedules and locations.

Advanced Education Programs for 2024 (note - all programs open to public)

Douglas County Extension Master Gardeners 2024 Advanced Education Programs

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January 20, 2024	10:30am	Agrivoltaics (Agriculture + Photovaltaics) Brent Ragsdale
February 21, 2024	10:15am	Drought and Increased Wildfires Kansas Forest Service
March 16, 2024	10:15am	Rain Barrel Presentation and workshop Amber Thumann
April 17, 2024	10:15am	Blooms, Bugs and Beats: The Fascinating Harmony between Flowers & Insects in a Thriving Ecosystem Tamra Reall (Dr. Bug)
May 18, 2024	10:15am	Phenology-Climate Change and Plants Dr. Vara Prasad
June 12, 2024	10:15am	Preparing Entries for the DGCO Fair Shawn Turner, Turner Flowers & County Store
July 20, 2024	10:15am	Extending the Gardening Season Jill Elmers, Moon on the Meadow
August 21, 2024	10:15am	Penstemon Species Evolution and Pollinators Lena Hileman, KU
September 21, 2024	10:15am	The Art of Gardening Monet Style Gale Roberts, JOCO EMG
October 16, 2024	10:15am	Chestnuts Charlie NovoGradac and Deborah Milks

Additional or alternate potential program topics and presenters should be submitted to the Vice-President, Douglas County Agent – Horticulture, or the Horticulture Program Assistant.

Appendix I 2024 EMG Budget

The Budget Committee has developed and the Board has approved, the EMG Budget for the following year. All expenditures are to be approved by the Board and expenditures above the budget amount must be approved by the membership.

	Expenses	Revenue
Administration	1,000.00	0.00
Advanced Education Program	300.00	0.00
Demo Garden-Eudora	600.00	0.00
Demo Garden-Fairgrounds	3,250.00	0.00
Demo Garden-Monarch Watch	1,600.00	0.00
Demo Garden-Tom Swan Park	1,000.00	0.00
Demo Garden-Medicinal	2,500.00	0.00
Farm to Table	5,000.00	10000.00
Farmers Market	250.00	0.00
Garden Art Development	500.00	2,000.00
Garden Show	2,500.00	4000.00
Garden Tour	0.00	0.00
Garden Tour-Selection	0.00	0.00
Hoop House	1,000.00	0.00
Hospitality Committee	500.00	0.00
Miscellaneous/Board Discretion	300.00	0.00
Native Plant Sale	10,000.00	20,000.00
New Class Mentoring/Training	450.00	0.00
Public Education-Lawrence Public Library	0.00	0.00
Public Education-Speakers Bureau	250.00	0.00
Public Relations and Publicity	1,970.00	0.00
EMG Resource Library/Historian	350.00	0.00
EMG T-Shirts	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total 3	34,320.00	37,000.00

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Payment Authorization Form

To obtain reimbursement, or pay a vendor directly, this form MUST be completed, signed by the Committee Coordinator and submitted to the Association Treasurer by the Committee Coordinator.

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Mai	iling Address (printed):				
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					Signed or Board
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2.	Advanced Education Programs	11.	Garden Tour Selection	20.	Public Relations/Publications
3.	Demo Garden: Eudora	12.	Hoop House	21.	Resource Librarian/Historian
1.	Demo Garden: Fairground	13.	Horticulture Hotline	22.	Scholarships
5.	Demo Garden: Monarch Watch	14.	Member Plant Sale/EMO	G 23.	Hospitality Committee
5 .	Demo Garden: Native Medicinal	15.	Native Plant Sale	24.	Spring Garden Show
7.	Demo Garden: Tom Swan Park	16.	New Class Mentoring	25.	T-shirts
3.	Farmers Market	17.	Produce Distributions	26.	Jr. Master Gardeners
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Appendix K

DOUGLAS COUNTY EXTENSION MASTER GARDENERS ASSOCIATION

DEPOSIT VOUCHER

This form is to be used to document the collection of money from Master Gardeners. Please itemize monies received by the amount and type (cash or check), and for the budget number and category (see list below) that it is to be applied. The name of the person from whom the money was collected is not necessary.

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Appendix L

DOUGLAS COUNTY EXTENSION MASTER GARDENERS ASSOCIATION

Donation Form

Contributions in cash or monetary value are welcomed and appreciated by the Association. Contributions assist in advancing the goals of the Association. Contributions can be given as a general donation to the Association or, if requested by the Donor, it can be applied to a specific project. The donor should complete the form and submit it to the Association Treasurer. The donations are deductible to the extent allowed by law. Consult a tax professional for more information.

Budget Number and Car			'LY ONE budget category per form _,	
		(Choose from list below)		
Donor Name (printed):				
Address:				
Description of Item(s) Do	onated_			<u>Amount</u>
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I request a receipt : Donor Signature:				Date:
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EMG Treasurer or authoriz	zed ext. personnel			
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2. Advanced Education	Programs 11.	Garden Tour Selection	20.	Public Relations/Publications
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5. Demo Garden: Monar	ch Watch 14.	Member Plant Sale/EMO	3 23.	Hospitality Committee
Demo Garden: Native	Medicinal 15.	Native Plant Sale	24.	Spring Garden Show
7. Demo Garden: Tom S	Swan Park 16.	New Class Mentoring	25.	T-shirts
3. Farmers Market	17.	Produce Distributions	26.	Jr. Master Gardeners
9. Garden Art	18.	Public Ed/Library Progra	am	
Office Use: Da	te Recorded:		Reco	order:

Appendix M. Strategic Plan

Please see Strategic Plan at K-State EMG website.

2024 - 2027 Strategic Plan	Assignment
VISION ONE: Volunteers receive advanced horticultural knowledge.	
Provide at least 10 hours of Advanced Education at monthly meetings each year.	Board VP/Advanced Education
Share advanced educational content on 2 topics of interest informally at each Demonstration	Demonstration Gardens, Jr. Master Gardeners, Hoop
Garden annually.	House
Provide a refresher class annually to explain current horticultural Hotline resources.	Hotline
Provide timely emerging horticultural information to general membership.	Speakers Bureau, Advanced Education
Sustain existing and offer new competency trainings.	Board
VISION TWO: Support widespread sustainable horticultural practices (SHP) by the community.	
Share sustainable horticultural practices with at least 1 new community group (i.e., service club,	,
church organization) annually.	Board, Public Education
Sustain partnerships with existing community groups (i.e., Junior Master Gardeners, Monarch	
Watch, Native Medicinal Garden) to provide education for their members and clientele.	Public Education, Junior Master Gardeners,
	Demonstration Gardens
Reassess best practices to provide Hotline services.	Hotline
Provide sustainable horticultural program yearly.	Advanced Education
Complete the native plant sale annually.	Native Plant Sale
VISION THREE: DCEMGs maintain high visibility in the community as an educational resource.	
Expand relationships with Common Grounds and Just Food gardens.	Board
Establish EMG presence within Douglas County communities beyond Lawrence.	Board
Cooperate with community events (i.e., Farmers Market, Produce Distribution via Farmers	Farmers Market, Produce Distribution,
Market to Just Food, Monarch Watch plant sale, etc.) annually.	Demonstration Gardens
Sustain active programming with county libraries.	Public Education, Library
Create new and sustain existing public education events.	Public Education, Library, Demo Gardens
VISION FOUR: The DCEMG organization reflects the diverse communities it serves.	
Publicize, connect with leadership of the Gardening Social Network (GSN) of Douglas County.	Public Relations
Host get-together of GSN annually.	Hospitality, Board
Fund scholarships for qualified EMG registrants annually.	Board
Provide gardening experiences for the children of Douglas County.	Junior Master Gardeners
Establish Micro-Grant program.	Board
VISION FIVE: DCEMG Program serves the interests of its volunteers as it relates to horticulture.	
Establish small group gatherings to increase member engagement and knowledge.	Committee Coordinators, Class leaders
Expand social opportunities for members, including workshops, field trips.	Hospitality, Advanced Education
Establish Book Club.	Library
Provide listening sessions each year to obtain member feedback.	Board
Continue Friday email and newsletter communications.	Board, Administration
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 $\underline{https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/lawn-garden/master-gardener.html}$

Appendix N

Board Authority Grant Application

Applicant	Committee		_
Name(s):	Name(s):		-
Mailing Address (for notification):			_
Phone number:	Email:		_
How would you like to be contacted for questions or in	nitial notification of award res	ult: Phone Email	
Describe your project (attach additional pages if	needed).	Amount requested:	
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How will it meet the mission of the Dg. Co. EMG	program? (attach addition	nal pages if needed).	_
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Provide a proposed budget of items (can be sub	mitted on a separate page	e).	
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Applicant's signature:		Date:	_

Application can be emailed to the EMG Treasurer or dropped off at the Extension Office. Applications will be reviewed at the monthly EMG Executive Board meeting.