

# Master Gardener Volunteer Public “Plant Clinic”

Beginning in the Spring of 1994, Manitowoc County UW-Extension Master Gardener Volunteers have implemented a public plant clinic. There are Master Gardener Volunteers available to answer questions on general gardening, plant diseases, insect and weed problems, soil sampling, as well as a wealth of other topics.

Visit with a Master Gardener  
Volunteer at:  
Manitowoc County Office Complex  
4319 Expo Dr., Manitowoc

April through September  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
10 a.m. - 12 Noon

Phone: 920.683.4909  
(A message can be left anytime)

Email:  
[MasterGardener@co.manitowoc.wi.us](mailto:MasterGardener@co.manitowoc.wi.us)

Call or stop by. They're more than  
happy to help!

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# Manitowoc County UW-Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Program



Increase Your  
Horticulture Skills  
and  
Volunteer Your Time

## Master Gardener Volunteer Program - What Is It?

Master Gardener Volunteers are trained workers who aid University of Wisconsin-Cooperative Extension staff in helping communities better understand horticulture. This national program was introduced to Wisconsin in 1977.

The Master Gardener Volunteer training began in Manitowoc County in September, 1994.

The goal of the program is to educate and encourage volunteers to help the public with their horticulture inquiries.

Benefits of the program include:

- New interests
- New skills
- Opportunities
- Friendships
- Leadership, and
- Education

## Who Can Join?

Any individual (age 18 or older) or business can participate in the Master Gardener Volunteer Program. No previous experience or training is necessary.

## What Will You Do As A Master Gardener Volunteer?

In exchange for their hours of training you receive, you are asked to volunteer an equivalent number of hours to the program by sharing your expertise with friends, relatives, neighbors, youth, customers, and your community. And continue to volunteer 24 hours a year.

Participate in Master Gardener Volunteer sponsored events including:

Plant Clinics

Horticulture classes

Monthly Meetings

Helping Extension Office Customers

Manitowoc Lincoln Park Zoo

Manitowoc Co. Garden Walk

Community Programs

and Much More.

The volunteer opportunities are endless. Many Master Gardener Volunteers enthusiastically volunteer their time beyond the required minimum number of hours!

## How To Become A Certified Master Gardener

To become certified, you must attend a designated training session, pass a final exam, fulfill a volunteer commitment to your community, and pay annual dues.

You will then receive a diploma and a Master Gardener Volunteer name tag at the annual awards banquet. Once certified, you can only use your Master Gardener Volunteer title when you are involved in a UW-Extension project. Be sure to wear your name tag at all Master Gardener Volunteer activities.

## Ready To Get Involved?

The Master Gardener Volunteers can be contacted at the Manitowoc County UW-Extension Office by calling 683-4909. If no one is available to take your call, please leave a message and a Master Gardener Volunteer will return your call during their designated hours.



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