

The Butler County Master Gardener Volunteer Project of the Year Award Nomination Form

1. Nomination may be mailed as a hard copy or emailed as a digital file.
2. This cover form **MUST** accompany the nomination material.
3. Only one nomination per project can be submitted. Up to two project leaders can be listed.
4. Project must be currently active (2024) or have been completed between 2023-2024.
5. Past OSUE Outstanding MGV Project Award winners may not be submitted.
6. **Nomination must be emailed or postmarked on or before March 5th annually.**

Winners will be announced at the Butler County OSUE Open House or MG Lunch Meeting

Winner will receive complimentary registration to the 2024 OSU Master Gardener Conference.

Project Title: _____

Project Leader(s): _____

Nominator: _____ **Year project was initiated:** _____

Email address of nominator: _____ **Telephone:** _____

Project Categories (Check only one)

- ___ Youth program
- ___ Demonstration garden
- ___ Educational program
- ___ Community service project
- ___ Special audiences (senior citizens, horticulture therapy, community gardens, special needs)

Please identify one of the four State MGV focus areas that your project falls under:

- ___ Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
- ___ Invasive Species
- ___ Backyard and Local Foods
- ___ Environmental Services

On a separate sheet of paper, please include a description of the project, explaining why it should be considered for the OSUE Outstanding Master Gardener Volunteer Project. Include ALL of the following information, under the bolded subject headings and in order. **(100 points total)**. (Note: **Description** can be up to but no more than 800 words total.) The following categories should be included:

- A. **Project overview**; short summary paragraph to introduce project; include local needs that were addressed. This description will be read at the Dinner and Awards Program. **(10 points)**
- B. Description of the **target audience**. **(5 points)**
- C. **Educational goals** (What did you want people to learn? What did you teach? etc.) and steps taken to achieve those goals. This should provide a good picture of the project for the judges. **(45 points)**
- D. **Evaluation and impact**. **(15 points)** What types of changes of behavior did you see with the target audience?
- E. **Collaborators, partners, funding sources**. **(15 points)**
- F. Include examples or details of any **other awards or recognition** received; digital files or hard copies are acceptable. These items will not be returned. **(10 points)**

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