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WE CULTIVATE HEALTHY AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

644 Master Gardeners
59,154 people reached
12,000+ Garden questions
answered
5 Gardens
9,341 lbs of produce donated
4,017 MG CEUs earned
27,783 volunteer hours valued
at \$899,336

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Garden Helpline (In-person and online)

Educational Outreach

Community Events

Educational Workshops and Talks

Farmers Markets

Webinars

Speakers Guild

Ask Extension

Social Media

OSU EXTENSION MASTER GARDENER IMPACTS 2023

PORTLAND METRO AREA

CLACKAMAS, MULTNOMAH AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES



Master Gardener teaching gardening curriculum at an educational outreach event. Photo credit: Amy Espinoza

EDUCATING SUCCESSFUL AND SUSTAINABLE GARDENERS

Empowering Dedicated Volunteers

To bolster volunteers in their role as garden educators, two skill-building workshops were held. A Speakers Guild and an Educational Outreach workshop were offered where volunteers were trained in presenting engaging gardening curriculum. Master Gardeners also had the opportunity to grow their knowledge of horticulture through continuing education webinars that highlighted invasive pests of current concern and the wonders of native bees.

Spreading the Seeds of Knowledge

Master Gardeners enthusiastically dug in to educate Oregonians with sustainable garden advice. You could find them talking about all things plants at demonstration gardens, farmers' markets, schools, libraries, resource fairs and many other outreach events. Volunteer service also focused on efforts to address food insecurity, support community members with developmental and intellectual disabilities, and connect with diverse audiences.

Our supporting associations led numerous gardening events, webinars and hands-on workshops sharing gardening guidance rooted in science. Through their combined efforts at various events and the "10-Minute University™: Let's Grow Together", "Come Learn at the Demo Garden Series", and the "In the Garden Series", Master Gardeners reached and inspired over 23,640 people!

