

If you have an interest in gardening and a desire to help beautify and educate Saline County, then the Saline County Master Gardeners invite you to take part in the training and become a Master Gardener.

If you have any questions regarding the Master Gardening Program, please contact:

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## APPLICATION REQUEST FORM

To request an application, fill out the form below and mail or bring to the county extension office.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## MASTER GARDENER OPPORTUNITIES

- ◆ Education
- ◆ Gardening
- ◆ Community Projects
- ◆ Volunteerism
- ◆ Social Activities
- ◆ Travel Opportunities
- ◆ Workshops
- ◆ Fellowship with Other Gardeners



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# Are you interested in joining the MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM?



## WHO ARE THE MASTER GARDENERS?

Master Gardeners are volunteers. They are people like you from all walks of life who have an interest in gardening, a willingness to learn and a desire to help others solve their gardening problems.

Master Gardeners are trained by the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service faculty and must complete 40 hours of basic horticulture training. After training, you are qualified to work under the supervision of the local county extension agent as a Master Gardener. You are required to volunteer a minimum of 40 working hours during the first year and 20 working hours during subsequent years to Master Gardener projects, the county Cooperative Extension Service office, and other garden-related community service projects. Master Gardeners are also required to complete 20 hours of continuing education each year, in the form of gardening television programs, seminars, literature, etc. You have one year from the end of training to complete your working and educational hours.

## WHAT DO MASTER GARDENERS DO?

Working on county beautification projects is a common task. Master Gardeners may also work with and mentor 4-H'ers involved in gardening projects, contribute to a county Master Gardener newsletter, or give educational presentations to civic groups.

## WHAT DOES "MASTER GARDENER" MEAN?

The title *Master Gardener* is used by persons who have successfully completed the Arkansas Master Gardener Training Program. The title is valid only when the volunteer is participating in the Arkansas Master Gardener Program. When you cease active participation, your designation as Master Gardener becomes void.

## WHY BECOME A MASTER GARDENER?

Be a part of Arkansas Master Gardener Program. Not only will you receive comprehensive training and gain valuable insight, you will enjoy the satisfaction that only comes from helping others.

## SALINE COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS

Saline County Master Gardeners meet the third Saturday of each month at 9:00 am.

The beautification projects include:

- Audubon Park in Bauxite
- Avilla Community Garden
- Benton Chamber of Commerce
- Benton Post Office
- Benton Senior Adult Center
- Bryant Chamber of Commerce
- Bryant Library
- Alcoa Parkway Crape Myrtle Project
- Downtown Benton Crape Myrtles & Corners
- Gann Museum
- Hospice Center in Bryant
- Owens-Mooney Park
- Saline County Courthouse & Gazebo
- Saline County Fairgrounds Horticultural Building
- Saline County Regional Airport
- Sevier Street Triangle
- Tyndall Park
- Veteran's Memorial

