

**Texas AgriLife Extension Service  
Master Gardener Application**

I wish to become a Master Gardener in Victoria County. I would like to be accepted in the Master Gardener training program offered by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service – Victoria County. I understand that there is a \$135.00 registration fee (plus approximately a \$30.00 optional bus transportation fee for a field trip) for the training held each Thursday, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. from August 6 - November 19, 2009. In exchange for the training, I will volunteer at least 50 hours of my time to the Texas AgriLife Extension Service – Victoria County Master Gardener Program within the following calendar year. I understand that I will become a Certified Master Gardener when I complete the training and volunteer work.

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT APPLICATION: July 17, 2009      NO PAYMENT IS DUE UNTIL August 6th**

Name (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

(Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Night) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please Complete the following:**

Years of Gardening Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of experience and related training: \_\_\_\_\_

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Number years living in \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

List areas of specialization or hobbies (e.g. flowers, vegetables, ornamentals, house plants, community gardening, fruit trees, etc.):

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List experience in working with each of the following: community, schools, youth groups, churches, senior citizens, hospitals, halfway houses, etc.:

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Please list garden related affiliations: garden clubs, community gardens, plant societies, etc.:

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How did you learn of the Master Gardener Program? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why do you want to become a Master Gardener? \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you presently employed, and if so, where? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you do volunteer work in 2010 to support the educational efforts of Texas AgriLife Extension Service – Victoria County’s Master Gardener Program? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Times you are available for volunteer work in 2010 (please check):

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday			

Approximate number of hours you are willing to volunteer weekly in 2010: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to volunteer time in 2010 teaching youth about gardening concepts? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to submit to a confidential criminal background check? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

To become a Master Gardener is important to me because: (Circle the most appropriate number)  
 0 - Not Important                      5 - Most Important

1. I will be able to increase my knowledge of gardening.. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
2. I will be able to gain new skills as a gardener.. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
3. I will have the opportunity to receive useful training. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
4. I will be able to provide a service to other people in my community and/or neighborhood. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
5. I will have the opportunity to share my knowledge with other gardeners. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
6. I will gain a great deal of personal satisfaction. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
7. I will be able to creatively use my free time. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
8. I will be certified by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
9. I will receive free instruction and material. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
10. I will gain gardening experience that can help me get a job. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
11. I will be recognized by people in my community. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5
12. I can get a tax credit for my volunteer work. . . . . . 0 1 2 3 4 5

**NO PAYMENT FOR CLASS IS DUE UNTIL August 6th**

**Please fill out and return to:  
 Texas AgriLife Extension Service – Victoria County  
 Attn: Joe Janak - CEA-AG/NR  
 442 Foster Field Dr.  
 Victoria, TX 77904**