



Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Victoria County Master Gardener Association (VCMGA)

Victoria County Master Gardener Association is dedicated to providing reliable horticulture information to persons who live in the Crossroads Region. Our members have specialized training provided by some of the best horticultural educators in Texas and by experienced Master Gardeners. VCMGA members then pass their training along to others through VCMGA volunteer projects and activities. Our mission is simple: to learn about gardening, to provide opportunities for others to learn, and to have fun in the process.

Victoria County Master Gardeners must be at least 18 years old and are subject to background checks at the beginning of the training and every three years thereafter.

Our Master Gardener Training Classes for those who wish to become certified Master Gardeners begin January 13, 2022. The fee for the course is \$75, to be paid on the first day of class. Additionally, all interns are strongly encouraged to purchase the Texas Master Gardener Handbook for \$80. The lecturers rely very heavily on this beautiful textbook and base homework and test questions on information in the Texas Master Gardener Handbook. More information about purchasing the Handbook will be made available at the initial training class.

Weekly classes will be conducted over a sixteen to eighteen-week period, followed by ongoing volunteer activities. The successful intern will become a certified Master Gardener and be recognized in an annual awards ceremony the following December or January.

To join our 2022 Training Class, please complete the following application and deliver or mail it to the following address by Monday, January 3, 2022:

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service – Victoria County  
Attn: Matt Bochat – CEA-Ag  
528 Waco Circle  
Victoria, TX 77904 or via email to Tricia Simank, Secretary, [prsimank@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:prsimank@ag.tamu.edu)

All applicants will be personally contacted by telephone and/or email with information about the first class.

We are excited to welcome you as a member our 2022 Master Gardener Training Class!

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MASTER GARDENER APPLICATION

Name: (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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

County Where You Reside: (Circle One)

Victoria      Goliad      Calhoun      Lavaca      DeWitt

Other County: (Please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

I acknowledge that I am at least 18 years old and consent to a background check, the cost of which is included in my class fee. I agree:

- (1) to attend all required in-person training sessions or obtain approval for makeup hours for any missed classes;
- (2) to complete all 50 hours of required training;
- (3) to complete 50 hours of volunteer service to VCMGA during 2022; and
- (4) to perform at least 50 hours of volunteer service on VCMGA projects during 2022.

I understand that all interns and certified Master Gardeners must be at least 18 years of age and be subject to a background check upon joining the Training Class and at three-year intervals thereafter.

Note: No fee is due at this time. The class fee will be collected at the initial class. Credit cards and checks are accepted.

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