

The *Master Gardener Volunteers* of Hancock County are local citizens who have completed a three-month course in basic horticulture and volunteerism given by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension.

After their training, Master Gardeners volunteer a minimum of 40 hours of their time to develop, adapt and provide accurate horticultural information and educational programs to the residents of Hancock County.

Acceptable projects include educational and community-outreach projects such as:

- Garden and environmental exhibits
- Public gardening presentations
- Children's gardening programs
- Garden demonstration projects that are open and accessible to the public.

The goals of all projects are to serve and educate the community in collaboration with project sponsors and their volunteers.

All projects require the approval of the Master Gardener Program Coordinator.

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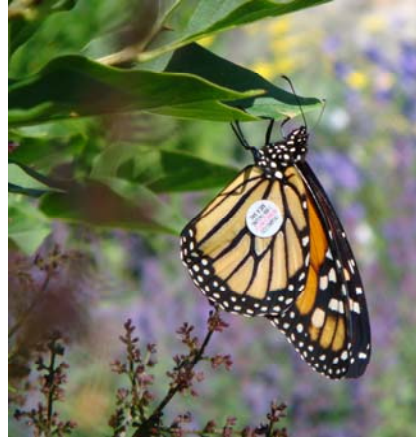


Hancock Community Garden, Hancock

Master Gardener Volunteers help local gardeners design and establish community gardens. They help gardeners in senior apartment complexes and nursing homes grow and maintain flowers and vegetables. They help community gardeners grow organic vegetables and flowers for community use, local food banks, and homeless shelters.



Woodlawn Demonstration Garden, Ellsworth



Rhoades Park Butterfly Gardens, Southwest Harbor

Master Gardener Volunteers maintain this public garden, hold gardening classes, host school field trips, and nurture native butterfly populations.



Birdsacre Woodland Gardens, Ellsworth

As a commitment to the community of Ellsworth, Master Gardener Volunteers prepare the natural habitats and boardwalk for the spring and winter seasons.



Kids Can Grow, throughout Hancock County

Master Gardener Volunteers help youth establish raised garden beds at their homes and at the Cooperative Extension Office. Children grow vegetables, herbs, and flowers using the square foot garden method.

