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2018 ANNUAL REPORT

"Advice to grow by ... Ask us!"



Welcome to the very first statewide annual report for the UC Master Gardener Program. For almost 40 years our program has had the opportunity to work with an incredible network of volunteers, who educate and inspire each and every day. As a statewide and local organization, we are serving in a way that creates positive change for people, communities and our environment.

This annual report shares just some of the remarkable work done, and positive impact made, by UC Master Gardener volunteers across California. One of the many highlights in this report is that, among attendees at our public workshops, 71% subsequently spend more time gardening or engaging in other outdoor activities. Why would I emphasize this one piece of information? Because to me, there is nothing more important than reconnecting with our environment. Interacting with the plants, insects and life cycles in our patio gardens, home landscapes and community green spaces is simply transformative. I'm proud that inspiring people to get outdoors is something that all UC Master Gardener volunteers share.

To those of you who were growing with us this past year, **thank you** for supporting our mission of extending research-based gardening information to all Californians. We are making a profound difference that we can all be very proud of. To those of you who are just getting to know our organization, we're ready to get gardening with you. Please join us at a workshop, on social media or by making a donation to support your local program.

Missy Gable,
Statewide Director

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OUR MISSION

“To extend research-based knowledge and information on home horticulture, pest management and sustainable landscaping practices to the residents of California.”

Primary Focus Areas	Program Topics
Sustainable landscaping	Right plant, right place Green waste Pest management Pollinator-friendly gardens Water conservation
Food gardening	Growing edible plants Expanding varieties grown Reducing produce loss
Community well-being	Spending more time outdoors

IN OUR COMMUNITIES

Together, we are growing healthier gardens and more sustainable landscapes for future generations. From its humble 1980 beginnings in Sacramento and Riverside Counties, the UC Master Gardener Program has grown to serve 52 counties, from California’s coastline to its mountains in the east. By customizing our local gardening outreach to account for unique local landscapes and the diversity of California's residents, we strive to meet the needs of all the communities we serve.

VOLUNTEERS BY COUNTY

Single-county programs

Alameda 176	Lassen 6	Placer 133	Solano 142
Amador 66	Los Angeles 323	Riverside 324	Sonoma 312
Butte 120	Madera 37	Sacramento 231	Stanislaus*
Calaveras 72	Marin 346	San Bernardino 151	Trinity 28
Colusa 23	Mariposa 65	San Diego 353	Tuolumne 120
Contra Costa 253	Mendocino 77	San Joaquin 136	Ventura 221
El Dorado 173	Merced 46	San Luis Obispo 122	Yolo 121
Fresno 252	Napa 160	Santa Barbara 79	
Glenn 27	Nevada 112	Santa Clara 296	
Lake 45	Orange 294	Shasta 59	

Multi-county programs

Del Norte-Humboldt 27	Lake Tahoe Basin 50	Plumas-Sierra 12	Sutter-Yuba 64
Inyo-Mono 47	Monterey-Santa Cruz	San Francisco-San Mateo	
Kings-Tulare 103	146	204	

*program started in 2018



6,154
ACTIVE
VOLUNTEERS

517,597
CALIFORNIANS
SERVED

93,088
CONTINUING
EDUCATION HOURS

446,237
VOLUNTEER HOURS



Bayer Neighborhood Park & Gardens is an urban farm and city park in the heart of the ethnically diverse Roseland neighborhood in Santa Rosa. This “sun” serves as a bulletin board and is meant to depict sunshine, with its 12 “rays” representing a dozen positive qualities and inspirational ideas. Photo/Evett Kilmartin

CORE VALUES

The core values of UC Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR) are the principles that guide our actions. To deliver on the mission of the UC Master Gardener Program, we support an organizational culture that is committed to:

- » Excellence
- » Community
- » Innovation
- » Inclusion
- » Collaboration
- » Integrity

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

UC ANR supports people and programs who use the power of science to create practical solutions that address major challenges in our state. As a statewide program within UC ANR, the UC Master Gardener Program has an important role to play in helping California thrive.

The UC Master Gardener Program contributes to the strategic initiatives that guide all UC ANR programs by:

- » supporting and encouraging **sustainable natural ecosystems** through landscape practices such as water conservation, water quality maintenance, green waste reduction and reuse, wildlife enhancement and energy conservation
- » enhancing local **sustainable food systems** for families, neighborhoods and communities
- » **detecting and managing invasive and endemic species**, as well as preventing their introduction, through education
- » **supporting healthy families and communities** through science literacy and outdoor activity
- » **safeguarding water quality, quantity and security** by reducing unnecessary pesticide use, promoting integrated pest management strategies and encouraging efficient water use

BY THE NUMBERS

Since 1980, UC Master Gardener volunteers have donated more than 6.8 million hours of their time, instructing communities in proven home-gardening practices. Over the past year, volunteers donated 446,237 hours and 93,088 continuing education hours — collectively, a 10% increase over the previous year. The incredible work and knowledge of UC Master Gardener volunteers touch thousands of demonstration, community and school gardens across California.

VOLUNTEER STATS:
ALL TIME

6,856,498

Total all-time volunteer and continuing education hours

30,983

Total all-time trained volunteers

VOLUNTEER STATS:
FISCAL YEAR 2017–18

539,325

Total volunteer and continuing education hours: Fiscal Year 2017–18

6,154

Active volunteers

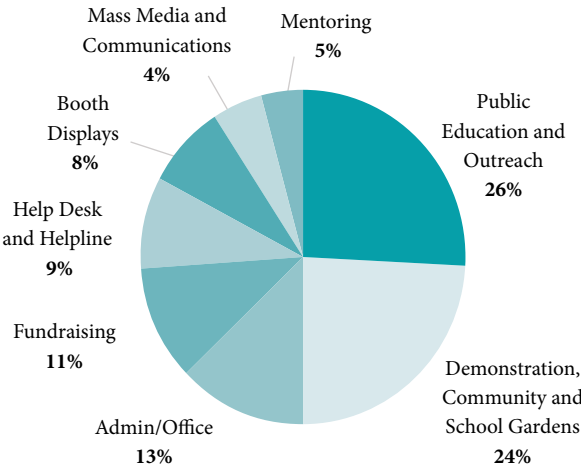
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Average hours donated per volunteer each year

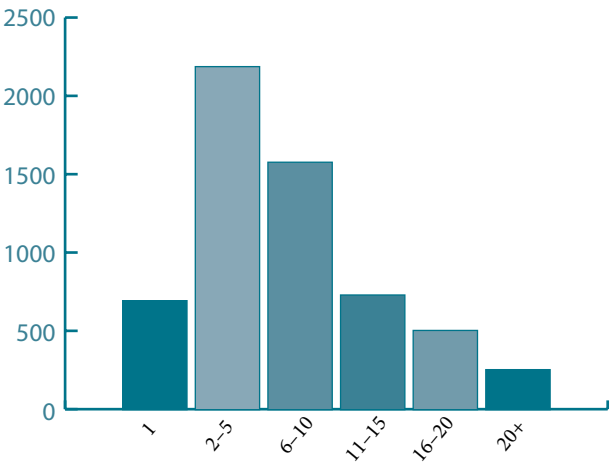
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Average number of years of volunteer service

Volunteer Hours by Activity



Retention: Number of Years as Volunteer



COMMUNITY IMPACTS
FROM EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

68% RIGHT PLANT, RIGHT PLACE

Selected plants for size, sun needs, water needs and maintenance level.

46% IMPROVED COMPOSTING PRACTICES

Reported improvement in using compost as soil amendment.

55% REDUCED PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS

Improved monitoring for insects, weeds or diseases.

68% IMPROVED FOOD-GROWING PRACTICES

Two-thirds of participants reported improved behavior in growing edible plants.

67% SELECTED LOW- WATER USE PLANTS

Improved water conservation by selecting low water use plants.

All data collected from FY 2017/18 statewide program evaluation efforts

FINANCIAL VALUE OF THE PROGRAM

\$199,455,526*

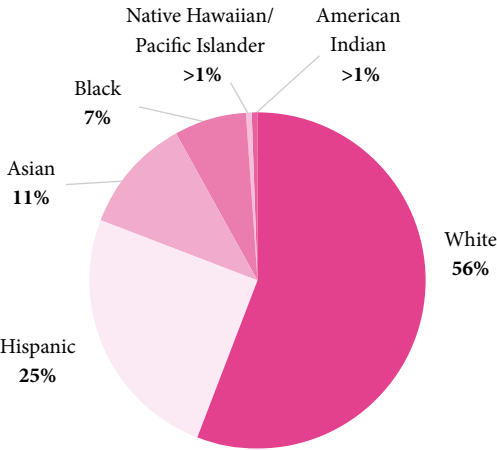
Value of all-time volunteer service hours

\$15,688,964*

Value of volunteer service hours in Fiscal Year 2017–18

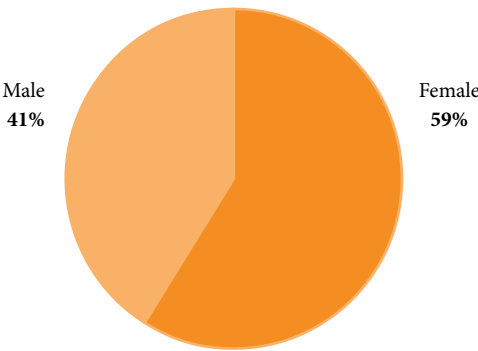
*According to Independent Sector, California value of volunteer time at a rate of \$29.09 per hour

Contacts by Race and Ethnicity**

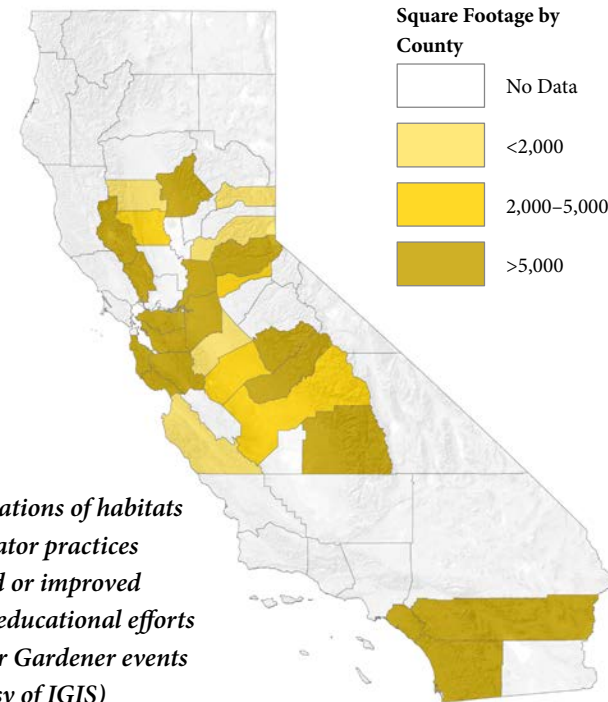
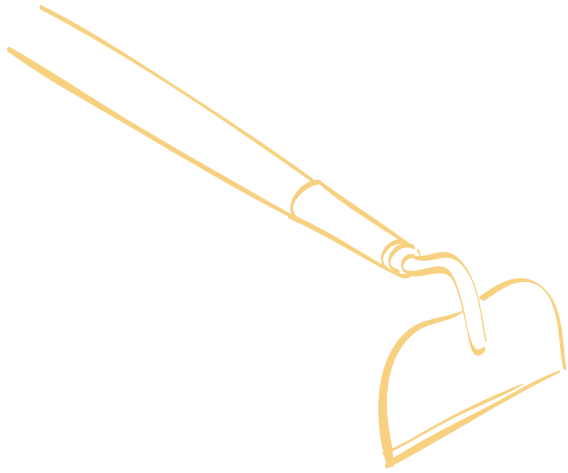


**Based on contacts reported in Volunteer Management System; unknown contacts not included

Contacts by Gender



SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPING



Sizes and locations of habitats where pollinator practices were adopted or improved upon due to educational efforts at UC Master Gardener events (map courtesy of IGIS)

Sustainable landscaping or gardening is centered on practices that reduce demands on California's natural resources, utilize renewable resources and protect our environment. When the UC Master Gardener Program evaluates sustainable landscaping efforts and their impacts, it relies on five core concepts:

- » **right plant, right place**
- » **green waste reduction**
- » **pest management**
- » **pollinator-friendly gardens**
- » **water conservation**

A precious resource increasingly in jeopardy is the ecosystem that supports pollinators. Pollinators, including bees, butterflies and other insects, as well as bats and birds, are critical in helping plants reproduce. Our reliance on pollinators cannot be overstated; over one-third of the world's produce depends on pollination (Klein et al. 2007). Research shows that landscapes and gardens can support pollinator populations and contribute to an increase in local biodiversity (Frankie and Ehler 1978).

To encourage biodiversity, the UC Master Gardener Program hosts workshops and oversees pollinator-friendly gardens throughout California.

In 2018, our outreach efforts contributed to the establishment of an additional 2,012,698 square feet of pollinator gardens and habitat across the state. In addition, 70% of surveyed participants at educational events reported using more plants to attract and support pollinators. Sustainable landscaping that supports pollinator-friendly gardens also improves yields in home food gardens and supports local agricultural productivity.

(Pictured right) Pam Pavela (left), Western Municipal Water District, and Pam Clarke (right), UC Master Gardener volunteer, at "Earth Night in the Garden" in Riverside.

Photo/Pamela Clarke



*UC Master Gardeners of Yolo County
Amy Haug (left) and Ann Daniel (right)
at the UC Davis Arboretum & Public
Garden, teaching visitors about the
importance of providing habitat and
food sources for our native pollinators.
Photo/Peg Smith*

SPOTLIGHT STORIES: POLLINATORS

Yolo & Solano Counties
Pollinator Partnership

The opportunity for collaboration with like-minded partners is one of the strengths of the UC Master Gardener Program. In 2017, the UC Master Gardener Program of Yolo County launched a collaboration with the UC Davis Arboretum and Public Garden to offer public education on gardening for pollinators.

Under the guidance of the director of horticulture at the UC Davis Arboretum, a team of six UC Master Gardener volunteers held weekly lectures and field work sessions for several months to gain knowledge about key local pollinators and the plants that sustain them through their life cycles. The goal was to educate the public and arboretum visitors about the importance of pollinators to the health of our environment, our agricultural economy and our food security.

In spring 2018, the same core group of volunteers hosted a series of workshops that used a train-the-trainer model to develop additional pollinator-focused UC Master Gardener volunteers in both Solano and Yolo Counties. These newly trained volunteers shared the importance of pollinators, and best practices for pollinator-friendly gardening, at local events and workshops across both counties.

Over the last two years, this group of specially trained UC Master Gardener volunteers has had face-to-face contact with more than 1,000 attendees at Pollinator Discovery Day, open houses at the Central Park Gardens of Davis and special events at the UC Davis Arboretum.

The response from members of the public, both young and old, was overwhelmingly positive. Everyone was eager to learn how to identify and nurture locally important pollinators.

70% of attendees at UC Master Gardener events report more use of plants to attract pollinators

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Orange County
The Buzz About Bees

UC Master Gardener volunteer Karine Pouliquen has always had a special love of bees and beekeeping. After joining the UC Master Gardener Program of Orange County, Pouliquen was thrilled to have the opportunity to start a beekeeping project for both volunteers and communities across Orange County.

Primary goals in the development of Orange County’s new beekeeping project and training program were to dispel misinformation and to build a knowledge base, centered on research and science, about bee biology and colony management. Workshops hosted at UC ANR’s South Coast Research and Extension Center in Irvine included: Exploring Beekeeping, Beekeeping I and Beekeeping II, for a total of 21 hours of advanced training.

The dream of one passionate volunteer grew into a team of volunteers with advanced training, called the *Bee Team*. The *Bee Team*’s first honey harvest produced more than 60 pounds of honey, which was bottled and sold to support the purchase of more equipment and supplies for the project.

The *Bee Team* was invited in 2018, as part of the UC Master Gardener Program, to set up a booth and host workshops at the OC Fair. The *Bee Team* staffed a “bee-u-ti-ful” information booth, gave 30-minute “Bee Basics” talks and performed educational bee skits for audiences young and old.

Over the course of the 12 days that the *Bee Team* staffed its booth at the OC Fair, they made face-to-face contact with 6,287 people, helping build an awareness of how to care for these critical pollinators. Next year, the *Bee Team*’s goal is to reach more than 10,000 people at the Fair.

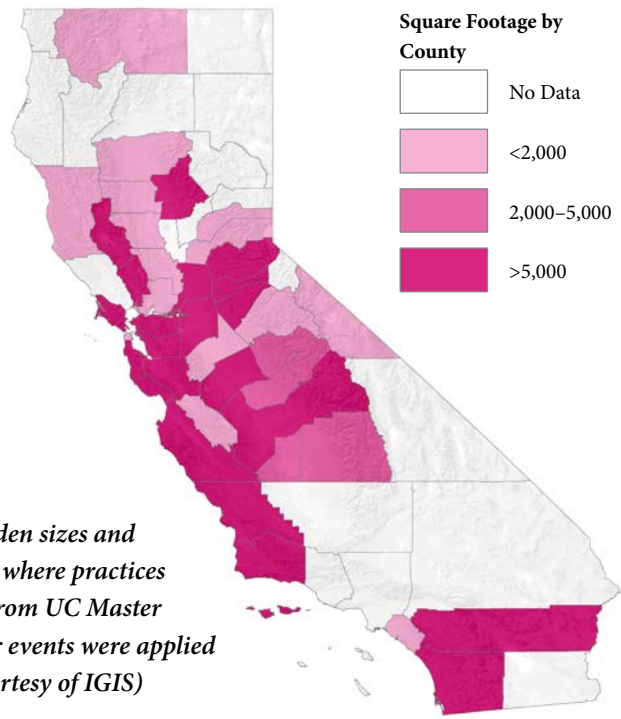


Arboretum volunteer Joel Hernandez (left), and UC Master Gardener of Yolo County Peg Smith (right) at a Pollinator Partnership educational event. Photo/Peg Smith.



UC Master Gardener volunteers of Orange County — from left to right, Karine Pouliquen, Shaye Shayehegani, Art Ando, Sue Senkbeil and Tammy Wong — receive advanced training to join the Bee Team. Photo/Orange County

FOOD GARDENING



Food garden sizes and locations where practices learned from UC Master Gardener events were applied (map courtesy of IGIS)

Through education, the UC Master Gardener Program has inspired hundreds of thousands of people to begin successfully growing fruits and vegetables in their home, school or community gardens. Food gardening takes some work, but UC Master Gardener volunteers are eager to help participants find success. In 2018, the UC Master Gardener Program reached 517,597 California residents through its outreach and education activities. Participants in food gardening workshops reported positive behavior change in three areas:

- » growing edible plants
- » expanding varieties grown
- » reducing produce loss

Two-thirds of participants reported using improved gardening practices for growing edible plants. Nearly 60 percent of participants reported that they had expanded the variety of edible plants they grow. Finally, approximately 45 percent of participants reported reductions in food loss from production to harvest.

Did you know that the average American diet, particularly for low-income families, is deficient in fresh produce (Alaimo et al. 2008)? In both urban and rural areas, food security may be threatened due to lack of available fresh produce or reliable transportation (Hendrickson et al. 2006). For these reasons, the knowledge and skills provided by educational programs like the UC Master Gardener Program are potentially life-changing.

The UC Master Gardener Program addresses community needs for access to safe, healthy fresh fruits and vegetables through its workshops; demonstration, community and school gardens; hotlines; social media channels; newsletters; websites and one-on-one contacts.

(Pictured right) Children learning about growing fruits and vegetables at a local community garden in Yolo County. Photo/Melissa Womack



Community gardens are a great resource for people with no space for an edible garden. Community gardens such as this one in Davis give gardeners access to a space to grow their own fruits, vegetables and herbs. Photo/Melissa Womack



Graduates of Grow LA Victory Garden class at Long Beach Organic South 40 Community Garden. Photo/Los Angeles County



UC Master Gardener Connie Pelissero teaching students about growing and eating their own vegetables for Marin County's Dig it, Grow it, Eat it project. Photo/Marin County

SPOTLIGHT STORIES: FOOD GARDENING

Los Angeles County *Grow LA Victory Garden*

When a large number of calls poured into the hotline from beginning vegetable gardeners, the UC Master Gardener Program of Los Angeles County recognized an essential need for improved access to fresh fruits and vegetables. The incoming calls were from beginning gardeners looking for reliable information about how to safely grow their own food.

A direct response to community need, the *Grow LA Victory Garden* project was established in 2009. Through the *Grow LA Victory Garden* project, UC Master Gardener volunteers offer vegetable gardening courses throughout Los Angeles County every spring and fall.

Over the span of a year, UC Master Gardener volunteers in Los Angeles County host 20 series of four-week vegetable gardening workshops, in both English and Spanish. Class locations include community and school gardens and libraries, and are specifically targeted to serve communities at higher risk of food insecurity.

Since it was first piloted in spring 2010, the *Grow LA Victory Garden* project has conducted over 300 sessions, reaching more than 3,500 adult Los Angeles County residents. Pre- and post-class surveys indicate that participants gain gardening knowledge through the program. The *Grow LA Victory Garden* project has served as a model for other counties across the state.

68% of attendees at UC Master Gardener events report improvements in practices for growing edible plants

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Marin County *Dig it, Grow it, Eat it*

School gardens can play a big part in supporting a child's education outside the traditional classroom environment, offering hands-on learning experiences that support a core curriculum. Social sciences, language arts, nutrition and math are just a few of the many subjects that can be easily integrated into the school garden curriculum.

The UC Master Gardener Program of Marin County hosts an award-winning school gardening program that emphasizes engaging students with the many learning opportunities that nature presents. The program is a portable field trip for school-age youth called *Dig it, Grow it, Eat it*.

Dig it, Grow it, Eat it teaches students how to grow edible plants, from seed to harvest, by connecting educators with University-trained volunteers who support the educator's curriculum delivery and provide additional resources.

Students learn how plants grow, connecting this new knowledge to nutrition lessons and thereby gaining a better understanding of the human body's need for healthy food. The half-day workshop rotates groups of students through six teaching stations, providing them garden-enhanced nutrition education and linking good health with growing and harvesting healthy foods we like to eat.

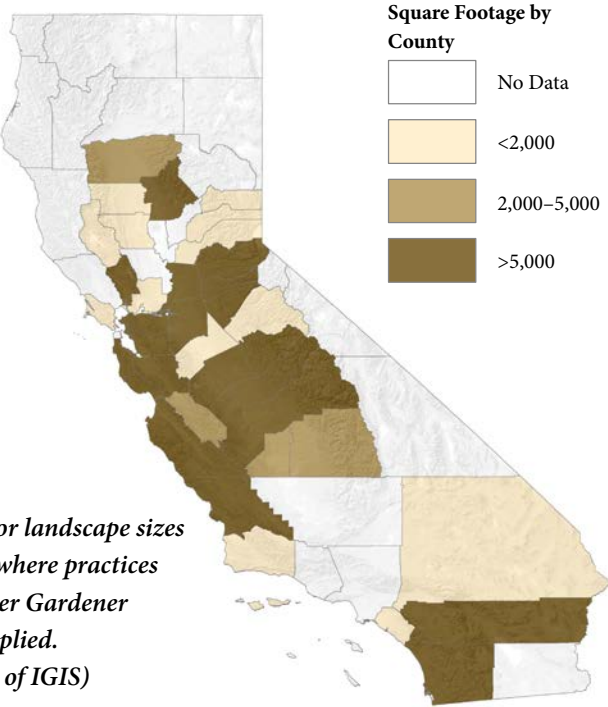
The *Dig It, Grow It, Eat It* curriculum is centered on the theme "We love the earth because we care for it. We care for the earth because we love it." For many children, getting their hands dirty in the garden and discovering the science of growing their own food brings a sense of joy and pride they can carry with them for years to come.

Last year UC Master Gardeners of Marin County donated more than 10,000 volunteer hours at demonstration gardens and public education events, and the *Dig it, Grow it, Eat it* project reached 1,830 students, 85 teachers and 250 parents.

COMMUNITY WELL-BEING



Home garden or landscape sizes and locations where practices from UC Master Gardener events were applied.
(Map courtesy of IGIS)



Last year the UC Master Gardener Program contributed to the success of 4,109,712 square feet of home gardens and 136,844 square feet of school and community gardens. The UC Master Gardener Program works in 52 counties across California, connecting with people to help them enjoy, create and maintain green spaces in their communities.



(Pictured right) UC Master Gardeners of San Diego County partnered with Silverado Encinitas, a memory care facility, for hands-on sensory gardening workshops. Photo/Deborah Handal

UC Master Gardener volunteers create positive impact every day by simply encouraging people to get outside and connect with nature. Health and wellness suffer when people do not have the opportunity to interact with plants and the natural environment. Research has shown that living near green spaces may actually help you live a longer life (James et al. 2016).

According to the decennial census, 95% of Californians live in urban areas. Densely populated cities can be a concrete jungle where people are disconnected from nature; this can have real consequences for mental, physical and spiritual health. Something as simple as seeing a tree outside a window, a flowerbox on a patio or an indoor plant can reduce stress and anxiety.

The UC Master Gardener Program helps people embrace a connection to nature through hands-on gardening workshops at local demonstration, school or community gardens. Of attendees at events, 71% report spending more time outdoors or gardening.



UC Master Gardener volunteers applying mulch to the demonstration garden at the UC ANR's Hansen Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Ventura County. Photo/Bob Carey

SPOTLIGHT STORIES: COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

San Diego County
Sensory Gardening

An exciting collaboration was unveiled in March 2018 when UC Master Gardener volunteers took their newest public outreach project, *Reminiscence Gardening*, to the Alzheimer’s San Diego’s (AlzSD) social activities program.

The UC Master Gardener Program of San Diego was inspired by its growing understanding of the need for more everyday experiences that address the issues facing members of our community affected by dementia-related diseases. The National Alzheimer’s Association estimates that 5.7 million Americans have been diagnosed with Alzheimer’s, nearly two-thirds of them women. That number will almost triple by mid-century.

In San Diego County, AlzSD offers social activities for individuals with dementia and their caregivers. The *Reminiscence Gardening* project’s goal for those individuals is to boost energy levels, build confidence, prolong maintenance of existing skills and perpetuate a sense of purpose and joy through gardening.

UC Master Gardener volunteers with the *Reminiscence Gardening* project are sharing their love of gardening and their advanced training from the UC for the benefit of those in the community who need it most.

Many of us know first-hand the responsibility of caring for a family member with a dementia-related disease. We know, too, the joys and benefits of being outdoors and sharing time with people we love. UC Master Gardener volunteers in San Diego are making a meaningful difference in their community and the *Reminiscence Gardening* project is a wonderful way to express that.

Contra Costa County
Richmond Dry Garden

The City of Richmond lies to the east of San Francisco Bay. During World War II, it developed from a rural to a heavily industrial town in less than a year. Today, Richmond is refocusing on green spaces by investing in the creation of more outdoor green spaces for residents to enjoy.

In 2005, the City of Richmond and the East Bay Municipal District (EBMUD) installed the *Richmond Dry Garden*. As the years passed, the garden began to fall into disrepair, eventually becoming home to an abundance of weeds and invasive plants. The UC Master Gardener Program of Contra Costa County adopted the garden site in January 2018. The City of Richmond, EBMUD and the UC Master Gardener Program of Contra Costa County share a similar vision for the space and are working together to rejuvenate the landscape into a demonstration garden.

Once complete, the *Richmond Dry Garden* will be a welcoming green space where residents can come together to learn, socialize and build community. The *Richmond Dry Garden* is a water-efficient demonstration garden that currently contains five distinct areas, each with a theme that features low-water and drought-tolerant plants.

Now that the site has been cleaned up and the weeds have been removed, the *Richmond Dry Garden* promises to be a green hub in the city for public education and demonstration of sustainable and water-efficient practices for the landscape. The garden will be a space where residents can volunteer, meet their neighbors and get their hands in the soil during hands-on workshops and volunteer opportunities.

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UC Master Gardener Debbie Handal (left) of San Diego County with a sensory garden workshop participant, connecting to nature and memories in the garden. Photo/Meredith French



Lori Caldwell (left), an EBMUD and StopWaste educator, leading a sheet mulching workshop at the Richmond Dry Garden, located in the heart of Richmond. Photo/Simone Adair



Pam Bone (left) at local community garden with UC Master Gardener volunteer Jeanne Siller (right) in 1981.



Pam Bone (left) and Janahn Scalapino (right) at the Fair Oaks Horticulture Center in March 2019. Photo/Evett Kilmartin

CELEBRATING PAM BONE

"My whole identity has been wrapped up in Cooperative Extension and the UC Master Gardener Program. I can't imagine not being connected. What we do is such an amazing public service and I feel honored to have been a part of this incredible organization over the last 40 years." — Pam Bone

Pam Bone fell in love with the idea of the Master Gardener program when she first heard about it in her home state of Washington. After moving away to college in California, she visited her local UCCE office in Sacramento to inquire about a summer internship. Her timing was perfect. The county director and farm advisor were in the beginning stages of starting a Master Gardener program in California and excitedly asked, "How would you like to be our very first Master Gardener volunteer?" The rest is history.

Pam Bone started as an intern in 1979, earning university credits, and nearly 40 years later she remains passionate about and connected to the program's mission. As a college intern, coordinator, advisor and now life-long volunteer, Pam Bone has served in almost every role possible. We are grateful to Pam — the UC Master Gardener Program's first official volunteer — for her years of service and her passion for extension and education.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Here we offer special recognition to volunteers who serve as an inspiration to others, and thanks for their commitment in terms of longevity and time donated to the program. Our gratitude goes to each and every UC Master Gardener volunteer, who all are valued for the excitement and energy they have displayed in helping us achieve the program's mission to make California's landscapes more sustainable.

35+ YEARS

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|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| » Gerrie Bannister | » Virginia Feagans | » Greta Lacin | » Duke Petersen | » Marilyn Wieland |
| » Pamela Bone | » Joyce Gemmell | » Marilyn Madrone | » Marsha Prillwitz | » Ruth Wilson |
| » Fran Clarke | » Carol Graham | » Val Myrick | » Steve Radosevich | |
| » Kay Clegg | » Fred Hoffman | » Anita Pane | » Robin Stanley | |

30+ YEARS

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| » Lori Ann Asmus | » Cathy Coulter | » Cathy Holden | » Dana Lozano | » Candace Schuncke |
| » Gretchen Barretta | » Marilyn Diamond | » Al Johnson | » Rosemary McCreary | » Pamela Smith |
| » Joan Betts | » Pearl Eddy | » Gwen Kilchherr | » Gail McFarland | » Sandra Tamm |
| » Ottillia Bier | » Cathé Fish | » Nancy Kissam | » Theresa Phipps | » Cooki Vonasek |
| » Diana Blasingame | » Rose Gong | » Carolyn Labahn | » Jerry Rickard | » Dmaris Whitehil |
| » Laura Cerles-Rogers | » Caroline Hathaway | » Pam Lowe | » Claire Russell | |

25+ YEARS

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|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| » Grace Boyle | » Joanie Finch | » Shirley Larson | » Ed Miser | » Shirley Steeber |
| » Jackie Bradley | » Diane Galvan | » Elaine Levine | » Bob Nace | » June Stewart |
| » Elaine Byrd | » Joanne Geggatt | » Hazel Lew | » Dorothy Notter | » Marge Tobias |
| » Cathy Calef | » Jennifer Greenfield | » Nancy Mack | » Linda O'Connell | » Carolyn Unruh |
| » Robbie Cranch | » Dianne Hanzlicek | » Dot Maley | » Sandra Penner | » Jean Weiss |
| » Sandra Diehl | » Ersten Imaoka | » Carole Manley | » Diane Pollock | » Gay Wilhelm |
| » Eleanor Dong | » Eve Keener | » Sandra Massen | » Prabhakar Sathe | » Lyn Woodall |
| » Rita Evans | » Irene Krepak | » Sharon McCray | » Stephen Savage | » Milli Wright |
| » Yvonne Fee | » Nancy Lange | » Tony Mekisich | » Nancy Spangler | » Darlene Young |

20+ YEARS

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|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| » Marie Antoniou | » Charlene Daniel | » Billi Haug | » Joanna McKnight | » Emily Shibata |
| » Cidney Barcellos | » Dottie Deems | » Suzie Heap | » Rohana McLaughlin | » Nan Simonsen |
| » Julie Bawden Davis | » Gary Delk | » Dave Hennings | » Susan Merrill | » Leila Sirk |
| » Bill Beal | » Lucille Dennis | » Rosemary Imes | » Margaret Mills | » Joan Smith |
| » Barbara Beck | » Al Derrick | » Melita Israel | » Madeleine Mitchell | » Jan Specht |
| » Kim Belford | » Cecelia Dickinson | » Jessie James | » JoAnn Moore | » Julie Strnad |
| » Susan Bell | » Tina Fein-Dinitz | » Janice Johnson | » Lorraine Morrison | » Elinor Teague |
| » Gayle Bergmann | » Betty Drake | » Larry Jones | » Terry Nevin | » Cathy Teague |
| » Clyde Berndsen | » Hilda Duckering | » Cynthia Jordan | » Jill North | » Jill Thompson |
| » Valerie Bonkowski | » Charles Baker-Duncan | » Linda Kadubec | » Erin O'Hare | » Arthur Tilford |
| » Joan Borgman | » Eileen Duncan | » Jan Keahey | » Leanne O'Neal | » Jan Tilford |
| » Bob Bradshaw | » Elaine Dvorak | » Jan Kendel | » Teresa O'Rourke-Shapiro | » Kathy Tranmer |
| » Joyce Brahms | » Jerry Edwards | » Barbara Kiernan | » Mark Oertel | » Laramie Trevino |
| » Barbara Brown-Neville | » Marilou Ellis | » Dona King | » Sue Olin | » Charlotte Urban |
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"Growing" connections is our theme as we move toward the program's 40th anniversary and beyond. Internally, this means focusing on strengthening the connection between University of California experts and our 6,154 certified UC Master Gardener volunteers. We are looking to cultivate new internal partnerships within UC, with valued programs like UC CalFresh and UC 4-H. These potential partnerships would expand our reach to a more diverse clientele and create exciting new project opportunities.

We will also grow our connections with external partners such as Cal Fire. UC researchers are actively sharing fire behavior and fire mitigation strategies with Cal Fire, and the UC Master Gardener Program is prepared to play a key role in extending this critical information. Significant work in fire-wise landscaping has been conducted at the local county level; expanding our work to extend state- and UC-approved messaging and curriculums is the next step toward providing potentially life-saving information statewide.

Nationally, we will grow our connection with fellow Extension Master Gardener Programs by sharing educational resources. Our global climate is changing and some states are experiencing uncharacteristic periods of drought, a higher prevalence of fires and the spread of invasive pests. California has a long history with these challenges, and the UC Master Gardener Program has training and outreach resources that can help. The statewide office is working to create a new online platform for sharing resources nationally so Extension Master Gardener Programs have access to timely information that supports the most effective, impactful programming possible.

Looking ahead to our 40th anniversary, we have much to celebrate. Truly generous volunteers and visionary leaders have led us to where we are today.

As for where we will be tomorrow, the possibilities are endless when you work with committed, passionate and generous volunteers. There is no such thing as an idle gardener; as we grow connections in 2019, we look forward to new opportunities for impact.



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