



Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
Master Gardener Extension Volunteer
Advanced Training in Home Vegetable Gardening
2023

Hosted by Bexar County – San Antonio

Training Location
San Antonio Botanical Garden
-Culinary Garden-
555 Funston Place, San Antonio, TX 78209

May 22, 2023 (Monday) – May 25, 2023 (Thursday)
Please look at agenda for specific details and topics

Purpose of Advanced Training in Home Vegetable Gardening

To provide advanced training whereby Master Gardeners Extension Volunteers can obtain knowledge in areas that support or expand designed programs of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, specifically in the Earth-Kind® Environmental Stewardship Program.

Goal of the Master Gardener Extension Volunteer Advanced Training in Home Vegetable Gardening

In an effort to provide training, the Master Gardener Extension Volunteer Advanced Training in Vegetable Gardening was created as an intensive multi-day training that will empower Master Gardener Extension Volunteers with knowledge and skills required to effectively support and multiply Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service educational outreach program efforts.

Master Gardeners who fulfill specified training and volunteer requirements will be recognized by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. This certification does not empower the individual with supervisory or administrative authority within his/her local county programs.

Advanced Home Vegetable Gardening Training Requirements

To be eligible for this training an individual must possess an up-to-date Master Gardener certification or be an employee of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. The application must be approved by their local County Extension Agent/Program Coordinator.

This Master Gardener Extension Volunteer Advanced Training is designed to train and certify Master Gardeners to become part of a state corps of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Vegetable Gardening educators. To become a Master Gardener Advanced in Vegetable Gardening, you are required to attend the training, fulfill the training requirements, and subsequently meet service requirements described below. Training activities during the course will empower Master Gardeners to complete these service requirements.

Time Commitment

In order to be recognized by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Advanced Vegetable Gardening, the Master Gardener Extension Volunteer is required to complete a minimum of 20 designated service hours within one year of completing this training. Thereafter, they should be a “go-to” person in their County’s program in support for this subject matter.

Resources Available in the Master Gardener Advanced Training in Vegetable Gardening

- Vegetable Training and Networking with Presenters
- Educational Materials on Vegetables
- Direct Access to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
- And more

Submission of Application

Completed applications must be in our office by **May 3, 2023**. But don't wait that long as space is limited, and the class will fill quickly. **Cancellations must be requested by May 5, 2023, to David Rodriguez, County Extension Agent-Horticulturist at dhrodriguez@ag.tamu.edu. A \$100.00 partial-refund surcharge will be assessed. No partial refunds will be approved after May 5, 2023.**

Cost

A link will be emailed to individual applicants that have been accepted for this training to register and pay on-line. Deadline to register and pay on-line is May 5.

Registration fee of \$250 per person includes:

- Vegetable resources, material and more
- Two lunches and one dinner as well as snacks, drinks, and other goodies will be provided each day

Travel

Applicants will need to provide their own travel and hotel arrangements.

For more information, email David Rodriguez, County Extension Agent-Horticulture at dhrodriguez@ag.tamu.edu.