**Honored Status Application**

Volunteers in the University of Wisconsin Division of Extension Master Gardener Program may apply for the awarded Honored Status. The purpose of this status is to recognize volunteers for their contributions to the program.

To qualify for this award an individual must:

* Complete 10 years OR 1000 hours of service to the Master Gardener Program *in Wisconsin* as recorded in the online reporting system.
* List significant accomplishments to the local or statewide program. This should include leadership, contributions to projects, or support to other volunteers and Extension staff.
* Complete the application, including the signature from the Extension staff primary contact.
* Be reviewed and approved by statewide Master Gardener Program staff.
* **Applications will be accepted only from November 1 through December 31**, with decisions awarded before March 31.

Awardees will be recognized with:

* New name badge, with honored designation
* Reporting exemption for volunteer and continuing education activities (individual may report less than the required hours for perpetuity).

**Note: individuals must still complete other requirements of the program, including annual enrollment and the criminal background check.**

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Date of submission**:**

**Volunteer information:**

Name:

Phone:       Email:

Number of years in the program:

Number of volunteer hours recorded in online reporting system:

List of significant accomplishments:

Limited to 500 characters

***The following information is to be completed by Extension Staff***

**Extension staff (local educator or county staff) approval:**

*I verify the hours/years of service and the significant accomplishments*

Name:

Date:

**Master Gardener Program approval:**

Name:

Date:

Submit completed application to [wimastergardener@extension.wisc.edu](mailto:wimastergardener@extension.wisc.edu)