

## VOLUNTEERISM



Compost Garden—Odessa

### PBMG PROGRAM

*The Permian Basin Master Gardener Program is a trained volunteer and educational program that works with Texas Agrilife Extension Service to meet the environmental horticulture educational needs of area citizens. The purpose is to train volunteers who can help teach and facilitate public resources that teach and demonstrate the importance of horticulture and plants to the environment and to our quality of life.*



Memorial Xeriscape Garden  
Odessa



Texas Master Gardeners represent Texas Agrilife Extension Service, part of the Texas A&M University System with research based information. The efforts of Master Gardeners have been an asset to the state and Texas Agrilife Extension Service. Each year Texas Master Gardeners provide in excess of 300,000 hours of volunteer service to the citizens of Texas. PBMG donated 12,457 hours in 2007 which is the equivalent of \$243,036 to Ector, Midland and surrounding counties. Texas Agrilife Extension Service could not begin to reach the heights in educational excellence without the help of the Texas Master Gardeners.



National EarthKind Rose Research Garden

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**INFORMATION  
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Environmental Stewardship

*Permian Basin  
Master Gardeners*

<http://westtxagardening.org>



## INFORMATION

Master Gardener volunteers work with Extension agents to reach more people with horticulture programs and services. This expansion of program services makes it possible to provide many more educational opportunities to the public. Master Gardeners also serve in leadership roles within and outside of the Master Gardener program. Information is made available to citizens through educational programs, tours, demonstrations and the

PBMG website.

<http://westexasgardening.org>



Cape Myrtle  
Research  
Garden  
CEED

Water Wise  
Garden-



## TRAINING

The Texas Agrilife Extension Service provides the Master Gardener program with invaluable training and educational opportunities. The best available resource teachers train Master Gardeners. Anyone with a willingness to learn and a desire to help others can become a Master Gardener. Accomplished and amateur gardeners and industry representatives seek up-to-date horticultural information to advance their gardening expertise, plus gain self-satisfaction through volunteer efforts. Master Gardener Trainees are required to attend a minimum of 50 hours of instruction, pass open book exams and volunteer 60 hours of service to earn the title of Texas Master Gardener. Training classes began in January and go into May. For a complete list of classes and topics call or come by the Ector or Midland County Extension Office for more information or call 432-498-4071.



## EDUCATION

### Educational Opportunities

#### TRAINING FOR THE PUBLIC

- EarthKind Compost Class
- EarthKind Roses
- EarthKind Home Landscape School
- PBHBA Home & Garden Show
- April Native and Adapted Plant Sale
- Spring Garden School Series
- Landscape Water Conservation
- Fall Vegetable Gardening
- Tours & Programs at Demonstration Gardens

#### RESEARCH & EVALUATION GARDENS

- National EarthKind Rose Research Garden
- CEED Cape Myrtle Research Garden
- CAF Variety Trial Gardens
- CAF Southern Brigade Roses



Junior Master Gardener Program  
Sibley Center—Midland

#### DEMONSTRATION & TEACHING GARDEN

- CAF Water Wise Garden
- Compost Garden
- JMG Youth Garden
- COO Memorial Gardens Xeriscape Garden
- CEED Entrance Wildscape