

Credible Knowledge, Lasting Value: The MU Extension Impact

Heart of Missouri Master Gardener Chapter

What is it

The Heart of Missouri Master Gardener Chapter is a group of MU Extension-trained volunteers who donate their time and gardening expertise to “help others learn to grow” in Boone County.

Why is it important

The Heart of Missouri Master Gardener Chapter is important because volunteer educators amplify MU Extension’s impact by helping Boone County residents learn to garden successfully using research-based practices.

Our objectives

Expand educational outreach by increasing opportunities for Boone County residents to learn about gardening through garden tours, hands-on activities, community festivals, and tabling at events throughout the county.

Our impact

“At the Butterfly Festival, my children gained hands-on learning by exploring pollinators and harvesting a carrot themselves, helping them understand where food comes from and making the connection between gardening, agriculture, and everyday life beyond the grocery store.” *Parent*



Investing in Boone County

Volunteer Time

43 Volunteers
2,725 Volunteer Hours
(\$94,803 value)

Produce Donated

1,392 pounds
(\$2,687 value)

Education Events

16 with 4,530 participants

People Benefited

Social media reach
86,471

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