

Credible Knowledge, Lasting Value: The MU Extension Impact – January thru June 2026

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” to citizens 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 offering 18 education events and 1 Fruit Tree Pruning Advanced Training and other learning opportunities through garden tours, hands-on activities, community festivals, and tabling at events throughout the county.

Our impact

“Touring the All-America Selections Garden was simply amazing. I learned cauliflower isn’t just white. It can also be purple.” *Participant*

“I now feel more confident in pruning my own fruit trees after attending the Advanced Training on Pruning Fruit Trees.” *Participant*

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Investing in Boone County

Volunteers & Hours

43 with 1,878 volunteer hours

Dollar Value

\$67,890

Education Events

19

People Benefited

3,154 participants