New Master Gardeners took basic training in the fall of 2018. (Consist of 48 hours of horticulture study) 327 total trained over the past 30 years.

Previously trained Master Gardeners participated in the program for 2018. (They are required to complete a minimum of 10 hours of continuing education and perform 10 hours of community education)

Advanced Training Hours

Previously trained Master Gardeners participated in the Missouri State Advance Training held.

Hours of community horticulture education reported by Riley County Master Gardeners.

Contacts in Riley County

Value given to Riley County

We calculate the value of each Master Gardener's volunteer hour by the value provided by the volunteer “independent” sector. For 2018, that figure was $24.69/hour.
Community Outreach = Time Well Spent

**Gardening Seminars**- Maria Beebe, Rebecca Stark, Sue White
-125 total participants from programs

**E.A.R.T.H. Program**- Barbara Pearson, John Wright, Becky Taylor, Gary Griffith, Linda Letterman
-100 youth made bioplastic that is good for the environment verses petroleum based plastic
**Garden Tour** – Colleen Hampton, Sue White and Mary Ann Butler - chairs, all EMGs
- 468 tickets sold to local residents to gain landscaping ideas raised $3200

**Courthouse Plaza Landscape** – John Wright, Terry Swisher, Dick Green, Rebecca Stark, Mary Ann Butler
- planted annual flowers using “Prairie Star” proven flowers recommended by K-State Research and Extension
Farmers’ Market Information Booth – Wanda Good, Sue Cameron, Barbara Pearson, Jim Crawford
-promoted “Garden Tour”
-answered gardening question
-Mother’s Day potting for youth
Home Builders Show – Sabine Martin, Mike Hufnagel, Jim Crawford, gave out information on Water Use, approximately 3000 attendees.

Youth Lawn Mowing Clinic – Mary Ann Butler
- 15 youth learned about lawn care and being safe.

4-H Gardening Curriculum – Linda Letterman, Sabine Martin, Teresa Synder, Jacque Staats, David Mayer
- taught students how to grow lettuce, spinach, radishes and onions
120 4th graders at Northview, Marlatt and Lee elementary schools
52 4th graders at Manhattan Catholic School
16 3rd graders at Flint Hills Christian
57 4th graders at Riley County Grade School
13 4th graders at McCormick in Olsburg
**Kids Ag Day** – Barbara Pearson, Juli Griffith, Laura Hall  
- 350 youth and 25 adults got instruction on horticulture ingredients in condiments

**4-H Garden Salad Bowl** – Jacque Staats and Juli Griffith  
- 10 youth in Koinonia home school coop learn about gardening and grew their own salad to eat
Sunset Zoo Edventure – Laura Hall, Barbara Pearson, Deb Lippoldt, Wanda Good
-120 youth learn about pollinators and butterfly habitat

Randolph Parade – Carolyn Elliot, Karen Ericson, Wanda Good, Mary Ann Butler
-Handed out 200 packages of snap bean seeds.
**County Fair Booth**- David Mayer, Jim Crawford, John Spangler, Susan Peterson
- 120 contacts

**Community Events**- Barbara Pearson, David Mayer, Rebecca Stark, April Stephens, Deb Lippoldt, Jim Crawford
- Pollinator plants
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