# **2025 Community Projects Grants**



## The Henry County Master Gardeners Volunteer Program (HCMG)

provides two funding opportunities to support initiatives that educate and engage youth and adults in gardening and horticulture. These grants aim to foster a deeper understanding of environmental stewardship and connection with nature while enhancing the quality of life for Henry County residents through sustainable gardening practices and community involvement.

## COMMUNITY PROJECTS GRANT (up to \$750) - Eligibility

- The applicant must be a school, nonprofit or community-based organization in Henry County.
- If the group is not registered with the State of Georgia as an organization (such as a garden run by neighbors or community members), you must identify a Fiscal Sponsor. A fiscal sponsor is a registered 501c3 nonprofit organization or a public institution that will receive the grant funds on your behalf. (The Fiscal Sponsor does not need to be located in Henry County).
- An active member of the Henry County Master Gardeners program must endorse the project.
- The applicant has not submitted any other grant application to HCMG during the calendar year.

## **GREEN HENRY GRANT (up to \$500) - Eligibility**

- This grant is only open to active Henry County Master Gardeners.
- The project must be located in Henry County and benefit the residents of Henry County. Funds may not be used for commercial, personal, or activities that benefit the applicant.
- Another active member of the Henry County Master Gardeners must be engaged in the project.

#### Application Checklist: The online application will require answers to the following questions.

- 1. Applicant name and contact information.
- 2. HCMG participant name, contact information, and role in the project.
- 3. Applicant status. (Are you a 501c3 nonprofit organization?)
- 4. Fiscal Agent name and contact info (if needed).
- 5. Project title and overview (50 words or less).
- 6. Project location (If you do not own the property, a document must be submitted that permits you to use the property for the grant project).
- 7. Proposed project start and completion date.
- 8. Project narrative (1500 words or less). (See details for writing an effective project narrative here.)
- Detailed budget (See detailed budget description and example <u>here</u>). Note: If the budget exceeds the grant request, explain how the additional costs will be covered. This could include details about other funding sources, in-kind donations, or contributions to ensure the project's financial needs are fully met.

## Documents required for upload:

- Henry County Master Gardener letter of support. (Download Template)
- Fiscal Agent Agreement (If needed, <u>Download Template</u>)
- Written approval of the property owner or lease agreement (if the property is not owned by you)

## **Grantee Requirements:**

If awarded, the grantee must submit a report and pictures within 30 days of the project's completion.

## Grant Timetable:

Spring AwardApplication Open: March 15 - April 30. Funds Dispersed: MayFall AwardApplication Open: August-1 - September 30; Funds Dispersed: October