Search for Excellence Award Application

(Please limit this application submission to 3 pages, not including the verification letter)

Name of MG Association/Program:

County:

Master Gardener completing Application:
Name:
Email:
Address:
Phone:

Local Master Gardener Coordinator/ACES Staff:
Name:
Title:
Email:
Address:
Phone:

Category for Submission:
_____Youth
_____Demonstration garden
_____Workshop or presentation
_____Community Service
_____Innovative Project
_____Special Needs Audience
_____Research (applied scientific methodology)

Name of Project:

Description of Project:*
(Include target audience, goals for impact, location and partnerships)

Methods:
(Describe the planning and implementation of the project – what type of instruction or program was offered, describe the content and the number of participants who benefited)

Results:
(Describe the learning and impacts – predicted and/or not predicted – within the participants who benefited from this project)

Significant Learning and Impacts:

Budget Narrative:

Names of All Active Master Gardeners Directly Involved in the Project:
(remember to also include a verification letter – see SFE application description)

<u>*Details to consider for the Project Description:</u>
Significant learning or community impact must be illustrated. Program evaluations may tell us that the speaker was good, the class was fun or the room was comfortable but these don't show if or how we made an impact. How did your project/program change someone's life or behavior?

Questions that ask, "How do you plan to use this information?" or "Can you tell us a specific detail that you will take home and use?" will help to show impact from your program/project. An example: you show that 70% of the participants plan to install drip irrigation after your demo; or they plan to start doing a soil test before fertilizing; or in follow-up you find that more people are walking in the park after your landscape improvements compared to prior. Don't offer canned answers that they choose from, let them write out what they learned, or how the project has changed what they do.

How many people were affected? Did you reach the most people possible? A SFE project will help to make your community (however you describe that to be) a better place.