

# EDIBLE FRONT YARD MENTORING PROGRAM

## Rules for Participation:

- Must be within Plymouth city limits
- Must be in front yard (visible from road)
- Must agree to signage in yard, advertising the event & your participation
- Must agree to photographs & write-ups updating community of progress
- Must be homeowner or have written permission from landlord
- Must commit to four events:
  - 1) site evaluation & ideas meeting at your property (up to 2 hours)
  - 2) help & progress check-in at your property (up to 2 hours)
  - 3) check-in & help just before showcase (up to 2 hours)
  - 4) Garden Tour Event (4-5 hours)
- Must choose from at least one of the four categories for your project:
  - 1) Container Planting (growing in containers, instead of the ground)
  - 2) Raised Bed Planting (creating 'beds' that are raised)
  - 3) Foodscaping (integrating edible plants into ornamental landscape)
  - 4) Vertical (growing plants vertically, various options available)

## What We Provide:

- Educational books on loan for duration of project
- 3 separate two hour, in-person help- from team of Master Gardener Mentors
- Contact list of Master Gardener mentors to call with questions
- List of local resources for the project
- Showcase event with Master Gardeners present to help answer questions, where community members will see all your hard work & progress!

## Our Goals:

- To work one-on-one with selected homeowners to help design their edible front yard garden space
- To next help educate & encourage them along the way of making their gardens come to fruition.
- To then host the Edible Front Yard Garden Tour, where we look to educate, inspire, & entertain other community members.

## How to Get Involved:

- See the following page for a paper application
- Or visit the Marshall County Extension office at the address below



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the front yard space we would be working with: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Experience Level\*: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\*There is no required level of experience needed! It will just give us a better idea of how we can help you and with which Master Gardener mentors would be best for your needs.

General ideas you already have in mind\*: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\*We'd love to hear a brief snapshot of what you're thinking! Have you always dreamed of making an Herb Garden under your kitchen window, putting in raised vegetable beds or arches full of cucumbers right out your front door? Share what you might want to consider, exact details not needed, just a few general ideas about what sparks your interest when this project comes to mind.

Do you own your property or do you rent? circle: Own or Rent  
Do you have Insurance? circle: Homeowner's or Renters or No  
(If you Rent, we will require written permission from your landlord to participate.)

By signing this form, you are giving permission for The Purdue Marshall County Master Gardners group to:

- Put a sign in your yard that informs others you are a participant in the mentoring program, with the event details.
- To share photos of progress in your front yard, wherever we choose (for example; online/newspaper/our newsletter, etc.)
- Visit your site on prearranged dates.
- Possible future event, The Edible Front Yard Tour, at your site, with your attendance (we will confirm at a later date)

You are also agreeing to uphold & create, to the best of your ability, the agreed upon plan for your front yard garden.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_