

## **Criteria for County Master Gardener of the Year**

(based on the State MG of the Year criteria)

Please nominate a single individual. Dual or team nominations are discouraged, unless there is a particularly compelling reason to do so (i.e. you are nominating two family members, who work and contribute as a team).

The nominee shall be a Master Gardener for at least one year, have completed annual payback activities in the previous year, be a current member of Multnomah chapter.

Nominees will not be scored on a point system, but these categories and issues are to be considered.

### **Number of Years as a Master Gardener 10%:**

Master Gardeners should be recognized for the years of service to the Program. However, because this is not the sole or most important criteria on which applications should be judged.

### **Chapter Involvement 20%:**

Please consider all ways that the nominee may have fostered the success of their Chapter, for example:

Has the nominee held any leadership positions within their local Chapter?

Has the person initiated a new program, or have they breathed new life into an existing program, within their local Chapter?

Do they play a role in training and/or mentoring new Master Gardeners?

### **Positions in the Chapter 20%:**

Please consider the positions held and the roles played by the nominee, within the Chapter. These might include elected officers, appointed positions, or committee and project leads

### **Outstanding and Unusual Service 40%:**

It is this outstanding and unusual service to the Chapter and to the Metro MG Program that defines the Master Gardener of the Year. Examples of unusual or outstanding service would be taking the lead on a special project for the Master Gardener Program or the Chapter; establishing a new and worthy project within the Chapter or Program; any other service that is both outstanding, and above the expectations normally associated with a leadership position or a Master Gardener volunteer.

**Comments from nominating Master Gardener(s) 10%:** The committee can consider these comments as independent support for the actions of the nominee and their impact on the Master Gardener program.