The Snohomish County Master Gardener Foundation is a non-profit 501c(3) corporation whose mission is to provide committed support for the Snohomish County Master Gardener Program through community service, educational outreach and fundraising.

Major Foundation fundraisers include the annual MG Foundation Plant Sale held the first Saturday in May at McCollum Park and the Sustainable Gardening Lecture Series, held eight Fridays January into April. Funds raised support the Snohomish County Master Gardener program and provide community garden grants and a student scholarship.

Visit the Foundation website at: http://www.snomgf.org

And the Lecture Series website at: http://www.gardenlectures.com

MG Plant Problem Clinic
at McCollum Park
600 128th Street SE, Everett
or call the
MG Hotline: 425-357-6010
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Weekdays, Apr.-Sept.
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mon-Thurs, Oct.-Mar.
Closed holidays, the week of Thanksgiving, and the last two weeks of December.

mg.help@wsu.edu
http://ext100.wsu.edu/snohomish/garden/

WSU Extension programs and employment are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local WSU Extension office.

Reasonable accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and special needs who contact Howard Voland at 600-128th Street, SE, Everett, WA 98208, phone 425-338-2400, or e-mail at howard.voland@wsu.edu, at least six weeks prior to the event.

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Master Gardeners
are trained volunteer community educators. They provide public education in gardening and environmental stewardship based upon research from WSU and other university systems. Here in Snohomish County, more than 350 Master Gardeners volunteered over 30,000 hours last year staffing Plant Problem Clinics, operating Demonstration Gardens, conducting Educational Outreach Programs and continuing their own horticultural education.

At seasonal plant problem clinics held throughout Snohomish County, at the permanent diagnostic clinic at the Extension Office and through the Master Gardener Hotline at 425-357-6010, Master Gardeners provide research-based information on a wide variety of horticulture issues, including plant problem diagnosis and treatment, environmentally sound gardening practices, water conservation, pest identification and management, and plant selection, installation and maintenance.

Master Gardeners operate three demonstration gardens, which educate gardeners about a wide variety of plants and gardening techniques. They also work on a number of other projects including the rain garden and natural yard care initiatives; the Growing Groceries education series; educating about the proper disposal of gardening chemicals; working with youth through 4-H and schools; supporting the Snohomish County Master Gardener Foundation; and as mentors, speakers, writers, and researchers.

Become a Master Gardener
The WSU-Snohomish County Extension Master Gardener program trains new Master Gardener volunteers annually each winter. The training provides a broad-based background in scientific horticultural practices through a Washington State University designed program that uses both online and classroom instruction. The training focuses on giving Master Gardeners the tools to find the answers to questions. All homework and quizzes are open book. Previous horticultural experience is not necessary but a strong volunteer ethic is.

Training includes approximately 80 hours of classroom and workshop instruction held during the day every Thursday January through March, as well as online instruction using a personal computer. Tuition is $275 plus a 40-hour a year volunteer commitment for two years. Information and application forms are available for the next training at the Extension Office and from the website by the middle of August each year.

Demonstration Gardens
Master Gardeners operate three demonstration gardens in Snohomish County that are open to the public and used to support ongoing educational programs. Tours may be arranged by contacting the Extension Office.

Jennings Park, Marysville
is a one-acre garden with a primary focus on the many aspects of edible landscaping with the produce being donated to local food banks. It also includes an assortment of theme gardens and other educational projects, and displays.

Directions: Take I-5 to exit 199; drive east 3/4 a mile on 4th Street; turn north on 47th and continue 1/2 mile, bearing right on Armbr Rd. Then slow down and look for the park entrance on the right. Street address: 7027-51st Ave NE, Marysville.

McCollum Park, Mill Creek
is located around the Extension Office and features an extensive array of theme gardens and is used as an outdoor classroom.

Directions: Take I-5 to exit #186; drive east less than half a mile on 128th St SE; turn right into McCollum Park and proceed past the swimming pool and ball fields to the buildings at the back. Street address: 600 128th Street SE, Everett.

Legion Park, Everett
is a perennial border at the entrance of the Evergreen Arboretum & Gardens and features Great Plant Picks.

Directions: Take I-5 to exit #195; drive west on E. Marine View Drive following it under Hwy 529, where it becomes W. Marine View Drive, and then just past the Golf Course turn left onto Alvarson Blvd. After a short distance, take another left into the park. Street address: 146 Alverson Blvd., Everett.