

VRS Reporting Categories for Volunteer Hours

Recertification requirements:

20 hours of approved volunteer work and 10 hours of Continuing Education each reporting year (Nov 1- Oct 31)

VRS Category	Purpose	Example: Linn County MG Activity
Plant Clinic	Categorizes work involved in any kind of plant clinic in any location. (includes time spent researching answers)	- 'The desk' at the Extension office - Clinic table in the community (Farmer's Market, etc.) - Ask An Expert
Instructor	Used for any kind of activity where you act as an instructor, teacher, demonstrator, etc.	Teaching & prep for Plant Problem Scenarios, Seed to Supper, class held at Demo Garden, any time you act as an instructor, etc.
Educational Garden	For labor in demonstration gardens, greenhouses, beautification where it involves plant identification and education, etc.	-Demo Garden
Educational Writing	Any kind of media, communication, publicity or PR work which is intended to educate or inform to public or Master Gardeners.	-writing for Growing, Gardener's Pen -Posts on our Facebook page
Educational Event Planning	Involvement in any kind of Educational Event (includes set-up and clean up, event planning meeting attendance and preparation, etc.)	- LCMGA Seminars - Beevent Pollinator Conference - talk series in Albany, Sweet Home, Lebanon
Master Gardener Class Mentor	Assuming the role of mentor for MG classes or training	-Mentor, including at home communication & class prep
Fundraiser	Involvement in any kind of fundraising activity.	-Garden Tour
Extension Office Support	Volunteering to help in the Extension Office.	-Office Support
MG Association	Volunteering for the association, holding an office in the association, attending association meetings, etc.	- LCMGA/OMGA Board Meeting attendance, prep -Attending association business meetings -general committee work
Other Approved Projects	Any other volunteer work which is part of an approved project by Elizabeth or Brooke.	

Questions about how to categorize your hours? Please consult with Elizabeth or Brooke.