

# WIMGA

Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association



*Established 1992*



## WIMGA VISION

The Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association will be the collective voice for the local Master Gardeners Associations and individual members in active support for their horticultural projects and services; build networks to enhance outreach, share ideas and promote projects; and help extend UW-Extension's educational role to the public.



## WIMGA

- Statewide association
- Established 1992
- Communication link for Master Gardener Volunteers (MGVs) and the UW-Extension
- Collective voice for recommendations to UW-Extension to assure best horticulture practices
- Not to be confused with the Master Gardener Program

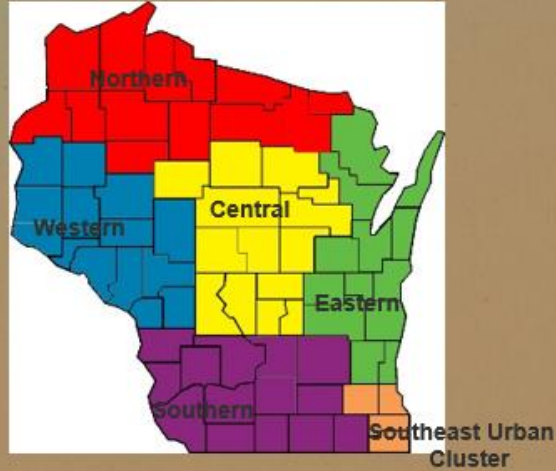


## WIMGA Board of Directors

- Governing body
- Certified Master Gardener Volunteer & WIMGA Member
- Fifteen (15) Directors
  - Twelve (12) District Directors
    - Represent the MGVs and Associations in their district
  - Three (3) At-Large Directors
    - Represent MGVs statewide



## WIMGA Districts



## WIMGA Local Representatives

- Selected by their Local Association
- Recognized contact person
- Responsibilities
  - Relay information
  - Attend face-to-face meetings of the WIMGA board
  - Participate/lead WIMGA sponsored strategic initiatives



## WIMGA Membership

- Local Associations
- Individuals
- Annual Dues - \$5/person



## WIMGA Newsletter

- Published six (6) times per year
- Sent to WIMGA Members
  - Mail
  - Electronically



## WIMGA Financial Support

- Grants for MGV community projects
- Garden Talk on Wisconsin Public Radio (WPR)
- National Junior Horticultural Association (NJHA)
- Wisconsin Junior Horticulture Association
- Wisconsin Master Gardener Foundation



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## WIMGA Annual / Regional Conference

- Acts as venue for WIMGA Annual Meeting
- Provides educational seminars with state-of-the-art horticulture practices
- Offers networking opportunity for MGVs
- Serves as primary WIMGA fundraiser



## WIMGA – Key Strategies

### Collective Voice

- Website
- Newsletter
- Marketing
- Board Manual

### Strong Networks

- Collaborative Practices
- Awards and Recognition Program
- Mentoring Program
- Speakers' Bureau



## WIMGA Website: [www.wimga.org](http://www.wimga.org)

- Membership Dues
- Grants
- Conferences
- List of Board of Directors
- List of Local Representatives
- Documents



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The Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association (WIMGA) works in behalf of its WIMGA members in providing tools/services to support their volunteer horticulture activities throughout the state.  
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