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Florida Master Gardener Volunteer Awards of Excellence Demonstration Garden

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See the Award of Excellence Instructions for submission rules. For this award application, cover the following in your 3-page narrative.

- Summary (5 points)
 - A descriptive summary of your project. Your application will NOT be judged without this summary included.
 - Provide a list of all Master Gardener Volunteers who participated in this project and their roles.
- Scope of Demonstration Garden (30 points)
 - Describe the educational components (signage, handouts, website, etc.). Include the timeline and purpose of the garden. Who were the target audiences who might benefit from this project? List community partners if applicable. Provide the budget for the project.
- Horticultural Accuracy (25 points)
 - Explain the correct choice of plants and materials for the area; the right plant for the right place. Please provide a plant list.
- Maintenance (15 points)
 - Explain ease and the method(s) for on-going maintenance including long-range plans with names of those responsible.
- Outcome (15 points)
 - Provide a written account with pictures (optional) of the site or area before and after completion of the project. Describe the publicity received. What was the potential impact on the extension audience as the result of these efforts?
- Learnings (10 points)
 - Describe any challenges you encountered or things you might change if you were to do the project again.





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County:	Project Name:		
Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Notes from Judge
Summary Descriptive summary of project. List provided of all Master Gardeners who participated in this project and their roles.	5		
Scope of the demonstration garden Good description of the educational components (signage, handouts, website, etc.). Timeline and purpose of the garden included. Target audiences described. Community partners listed and budget provided.	30		
Horticultural Accuracy Plant list provided. Right plants used in the right places. Good explanation of plant choices and materials.	25		
Maintenance Long range plans for maintenance described. These plans should demonstrate the sustainability of the project with ongoing support.	15		
Outcome Narrative and photographs demonstrates the finished project. Publicity about the project demonstrated. A strong description of the impact on the community or target audiences.	15		
Learnings Describe any challenges you encountered or things you might change if you were to do the project again.	10		
Total Points	100		