



# Virginia Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Program Northern Neck

## WHAT IS THE EXTENSION MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM?

Mission: Sharing Knowledge and Empowering Communities  
Extension Master Gardeners (EMG) are trained volunteer educators who work within their local communities to promote sound horticultural practices. The Extension Master Gardener program delivers the horticultural resources of Virginia's land-grant universities: Virginia Tech and Virginia State University.

## Northern Neck

In 2023, 83 Extension  
Master Gardeners



drove  
**80,449 miles**



and made  
**45,866 educational  
contacts**



CONTRIBUTING A TOTAL OF

# 11,426 volunteer hours

VALUED AT

# \$372,373\*

TO LANCASTER, NORTHUMBERLAND, RICHMOND, WESTMORELAND, AND ESSEX COUNTIES

\*Based on a value of \$32.59/hour from Independent Sector 2022 Value of Volunteer Hours by State.

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