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Dear Prospective UF/IFAS Sumter County Master Gardener:

Thank you for your interest in serving as a University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) Master Gardener Volunteer in Sumter County. A new Master Gardener training class is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, August 31, 2022. We will be selecting 25 Master Gardener trainees for classes which will be held at the Sumter County Extension office in Bushnell. Training dates are every Wednesday, beginning August 31 and runs through Wednesday, December 7, 2022.

Classes are scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 pm.

To be considered for the Master Gardener Program, you **must** provide the following:

1. Complete the enclosed Application and return it to:  
UF/IFAS Extension Sumter County  
Master Gardener Program, ATTN: Donna Lester  
7620 SR 471, Suite 2  
Bushnell, FL 33513-8734
2. Call Donna Lester, Program Assistant, at 352-569-6864 or email [dmlester@ufl.edu](mailto:dmlester@ufl.edu) to set up an interview date and time. Interviews will be set up starting the first week in July.

**Please note:** To apply, you must be a Sumter County resident, agree to a background check, possess basic computer skills and have an email account.

If selected for the Master Gardener Program, there will be a fee of \$150.00 payable to the UF/IFAS Extension Sumter County.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Sincerely,

Lisa T. Sanderson  
Residential Horticulture Extension Agent II  
Master Gardener Coordinator