

**Name of Project: OSU Extension Service Demonstration Garden, Redmond**

**Project Coordinators: Vicky Kemp & Karen Simonet**

**Brief History of Project:** The main goal of the OSU Demonstration Garden is to offer the public the opportunity to learn on-site and through classes, the plant material that adapts favorably to our climate, requires moderate water usage and has fire resistant capabilities. The Demonstration Garden includes trees, shrubs, ornamental grasses, native plants, perennials along with annual flowers and the vegetable garden. Included in the Demo Garden are the All-American Selection Display Garden annual beds, featuring new introductions of flowers and vegetables that are being tested for our climate.

The Demonstration Garden teaches sustainable gardening practices which have their foundation in researched based information.

**Volunteers needed:** The number of volunteers is not limited, the more the merrier. Volunteering in the Demo Garden is a learning and sharing hands-on opportunity that increases the gardening skills of beginners as well as advanced gardeners. A workday doesn't pass without learning something! The responsibilities include general garden maintenance of existing perennials, trees and shrubs, planting and care of annual flowers and harvesting vegetables for community agencies. Public education and promotion of the OSU Extension Service Master Gardener™ Program are important parts of the mission of the Demo Garden. Visiting the garden is becoming more popular with the general public who are looking for in-ground examples. Taking time to visit with them is rewarding for the visitor as well as the volunteer.

**When does the event/project occur? Volunteers meet at 9 am on the first and third Tuesday mornings from April through October. In addition to the regular workdays, June 11, 2024 will be an added workday.** The time commitment is according to the volunteer's personal schedule. Volunteers are needed as public events are planned.

**For more information or to volunteer for Redmond Demo Garden please contact either:**

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