

# BEXAR COUNTY MASTER GARDENER SCHOLARSHIP IN HORTICULTURAL STUDIES 2008-2009 ACADEMIC YEAR



## **Purpose**

Bexar County Master Gardeners, Inc., a non-profit, trained volunteer organization, is a component of Texas AgriLIFE Extension Service, that promotes volunteer horticultural education and service to the community. As part of our mission, BCMG is offering two \$2000 scholarships for the 2008-2009 academic year. The scholarship is funded through plant sales in cooperation with the Bexar County Horticulture Agent and gifts from Master Gardeners, friend, and associates of BCMG. It is our intention to provide financial support to an undergraduate or graduate student at a Texas college or university who is pursuing a degree in Horticultural Sciences, Landscape Design, or Turfgrass Management.

## **Administration**

General administration of the Bexar County Master Gardeners Scholarship is under the direction of the Scholarship Committee of the BCMG, which will evaluate all scholarship applications. An interview may be required. All applicants will be notified in July of the selection.

## **Qualifications**

### **The applicant must :**

- be a Texas resident
- be at sophomore level (24 credit hours) or above, with at least a 2.8 GPA
- be studying on a full-time basis during the 2008-2009 academic year at a Texas institution. ("Full-time" enrollment is defined as a minimum of 12 hours for an undergraduate, 9 hours for a graduate student.)
- major in Horticultural Sciences, Landscape Design, or TurfGrass Management

*This is a merit-based scholarship. Financial need will only be considered when qualifications are otherwise nearly equal.*

## **Additional Information**

The award will be paid in two installments: \$1000 at the beginning of the fall semester and \$1000 in the spring. The recipient is required to maintain an overall GPA of at least 2.8 and be a full-time student during each semester covered by the award. Proof that the recipient has met these standards will be required before the second semester's award is disbursed.

Bexar County Master Gardeners, Inc. reserves the right to withhold unpaid portions of the scholarship if the recipient fails to meet the requirements above. Award recipients may re-apply for subsequent scholarships.



# APPLICATION

## Instructions

- Complete the application form. All pages should be filled out entirely.
- Attach at least **two typed or printed letters of recommendation**. One letter must be from an instructor in your field.  
Other letter(s) may be from any of the following: recent employer, club advisor, church leader, or any other qualified person, excluding a family member.
- Attach **college transcripts in a sealed envelope**. You must submit a transcript which includes your most recent semester.
- Return completed application and required supporting documentation to:  
Scholarship Committee  
Bexar County Master Gardeners, Inc.  
3355 Cherry Ridge Drive, Suite 208  
San Antonio, TX 78230-4818
- **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS IS MAY 30, 2008**

## Personal Data

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been a member of 4H or FFA at any time? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No If yes, describe your involvement.

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Do you personally know a member of the Bexar County Master Gardeners or Texas Master Gardeners?

\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No if yes, include name here: \_\_\_\_\_

If asked to give a horticulture or related presentation to the Bexar County Master Gardeners, would you accept? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No. If yes, please briefly describe the nature of your presentation.

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Would you apply for or accept an internship with the Texas AgriLIFE Extension Service-Bexar County?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ During the school year or during the summer? \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Background**

Name of school now attending : \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Two Year College \_\_\_\_\_ Four Year College

\_\_\_\_\_ Graduate School \_\_\_\_\_ Five Year Program

Name of school planning to attend in the fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Transfer students: Have you been formally accepted to this school? \_\_\_\_\_  
(If so, please include a copy of your acceptance letter)

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed major or formally declared? \_\_\_\_\_

Minor or area of specialization: \_\_\_\_\_

Year currently in school: \_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_ Fifth Year \_\_\_ Graduate student

How many years in college: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of college hours completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of hours currently carrying: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Point Average in major: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list all colleges attended:**

School	Dates Attended	Degree	GPA
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**Activities/Interests:**

Please list any civic awards, honors, scholarships, or involvement in community service. You may also attach photographs of any horticultural or landscape project you have completed or designed.

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**Statement of Goals:**

Please state in 500 words or less your occupational goals. Include any background in horticultural related areas you feel is relevant.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.  
The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.*