



Volunteer Reference Checks - Roanoke Master Gardeners

Thank you for taking the time to provide a reference for an applicant to the Roanoke Master Gardener program. Master Gardeners train through Virginia Cooperative Extension to work within their communities as volunteer educators.

In Roanoke, Master Gardener volunteers work with youth, adults, and seniors on a number of different programs, projects, and events throughout the year - including through community gardens, horticulture therapy, youth garden programs, and more! All Master Gardener programs encourage and promote environmentally sound horticulture practices. Visit our website at roanokemastergardeners.org to learn more.

If you have questions or concerns about providing a reference for a Master Gardener applicant, please contact Kathleen Reed, Agriculture Extension Agent, at (540)772-7524 or reedka@vt.edu.

You may also choose to fill out this reference online: <http://bit.ly/2r9Yahv>

1. Please provide your name.
2. Please provide your email address and/or primary phone number.
3. Please provide the name of the individual for whom you are providing a reference.
4. How long have you known this individual and in what capacity?
5. What aspects of this person's background would make him/her qualified and suitable for the volunteer position described?

6. Describe the knowledge and skills that this individual possesses that would make him/her qualified and suitable for the volunteer position described.

7. How has this individual gained experience working as a member of a team? Describe a specific situation in which this person worked as a member of a team toward a shared goal.

8. How would you describe this person's character, temperament and attitude?

9. Describe any reservations you would have in accepting this individual as a volunteer if you were a director with this organization.

10. Please share any additional information about this candidate that would be helpful in the volunteer selection process.