

Riverside County Fair and Date Festival Veteran and Trainee Volunteers needed!

The Riverside Fair and Date Festival is a major event for our UCCE Riverside Master Gardeners program and we need a lot of volunteers to help make this a successful event. We have a large, 300 square foot booth and this years theme is **Pollinators Growing Wild!**

We have a lot of foot traffic through our booth each day. Each volunteer will receive free parking and a Pass to the Fair & Date Festival for the day of their attendance. The Fair and Date Festival address and directions are on VMS.

We need volunteers to help:

- Booth Set-up (February 10th-12th); the booth needs to be complete by the evening on February 12, 2020. ***On Monday, February 10th, we need Veteran and Trainee volunteers to transport Booth materials and build-outs from Palm Desert to the Booth location; volunteers with trucks and/or vans are needed. Those individuals that have basic building skills to assemble display walls are needed on this first day. On Tuesday, February 11th, volunteers will be decorating the Booth. On Wednesday, February 12th, we need volunteers to transport plants from Palm Desert to the booth location and set up final displays and signs.***
- The Booth displays and educational information will be judged on February 13th. There are Training Sessions scheduled at 1:00 p.m. or 5:30 p.m. Topics covered will include where to park and enter for Booth volunteers, orientation of Booth displays and proper daily Set-up/Breakdown procedures. You will receive your Entrance Pass for your shift(s) and free parking information at your scheduled Training Session.
- The Riverside Fair & Date Festival is open February 14th-23rd; Veterans and Trainees are needed for the 'Ask the Master Gardener' table; ***Veteran volunteers are needed for most shifts (20 shifts are currently open for Veterans only and 4 shifts left for Trainees).***
- Booth breakdown must be completed on Monday, February 24th by 5:00 p.m. ***We need volunteers with trucks and/or vans to transport all Booth materials, plants and structures back to the Pickup location in Palm Desert.***

A Veteran must be present Shifts 1, 2 and 3 at the 'Ask the Master Gardener' table to support the Trainees.

Looking forward to working with you at the Riverside Fair and Date Festival. Any questions, please contact Mernell Wong at (760) 333-2766.

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