



WSU EXTENSION
Lewis County

WSU Lewis County Master Gardeners 2025 Events & Workshops



PRE-REGISTER 3-4 DAYS PRIOR TO WORKSHOPS TO ENSURE THERE ARE ENOUGH MATERIALS.

Call 360-740-1212 or email julie.pirtle@lewiscountywa.gov Monday-Thursday, 9 am-3 pm. (Confirmation is not required for attendance.)

Date	Time	City	Location	Workshop Topic
Feb. 15	10 am	Centralia	Borst Kitchen #1	Propagating with Seeds
Mar. 8	10 am	Centralia	Borst Demo Garden	Planting and Growing Grapes
Mar. 15	10 am	Chehalis	Providence Place Demo Garden	Blueberry Care
Apr. 5	10 am	Centralia	Borst Greenhouse Shed	Up-potting Plants
TBD	9 am - 3 pm	Centralia	Centralia College—Washington Hall	Gardening For Everyone
May 17 - 18	9 am - 4 pm	Chehalis	SWW Fairgrounds - Blue Pavilion	Annual Spring Plant Sale
June 7	10 am	Salkum	Salkum Timberland Library	Year Round Vegetable Gardening
June 14	10 am	Centralia	Borst Demo Garden	Designing a Garden for All Seasons
June 21	10 am	Salkum	Salkum Timberland Library	Concrete Leaf Making
June 28	10 am	Chehalis	Providence Place Demo Garden	PNW Butterflies
July 19	10 am	Chehalis	Providence Place Demo Garden	Growing & Caring for Hydrangeas
Aug. 30	10 am	Salkum	Salkum Timberland Library	Creating a Food Forest
Oct. 11	10 am	Centralia	Borst Kitchen #1	Growing in a Greenhouse/Poly tunnel
Oct. 18	10 am	Centralia	Borst Demo Garden	Seed Saving
TBD	9 am - 3 pm	Centralia	Centralia College—Washington Hall	Gardening For Everyone

We sometimes offer “bonus” workshops and classes not listed on this schedule, so join our email list for event announcements and updates!



WSU Master Recycler Composter 2025 Events & Volunteer Training



Date	Time	City	Location	Workshop Topic
Mar. 22	10 am—2 pm	Morton	Centralia College East	Repair & Sustainability Fair
	2:30 pm			Know Your Soils
Apr. 26	10 am—2 pm	Centralia	Centralia College — SWFT Center	Repair & Sustainability Fair
	11 am			Composting Basics
Sept. 27	10 am - 2 pm	Centralia	Centralia College—SWFT Center	Repair & Sustainability Fair
	11 am			Emergency Preparedness

Stay tuned for more information about our NEW DIY Zero Waste Workshop Series!

“Become An Environmental Superhero!”

(Also known as a Master Recycler Composter volunteer)

Dates: April 10 — May 22 (Thursdays)

Where: Zoom

Time: 6—8 pm

Fee*: \$20

Benefits for Master Recycler Composter (MRC) volunteers include store discounts and a **full refund after completing this training series!*

(Details about the MRC program are on the next page.)

Topics will include:

- Recycling Right
- Soil & Water Health
- Reducing Food Waste
- Residential and Worm Composting
- Reducing Chemicals in the Home & Garden
- Dealing with Hazardous Waste

Tours & hands-on training will be provided!

For more information or to join our email list to get event updates, call (360) 740-1216 or email jason.adams@lewiscountywa.gov.

Extension programs and employment are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through the WSU Lewis County Extension office.

Persons with disabilities who require reasonable accommodations need to contact us at (360) 740-1212 at least two weeks prior to the event. Some hands-on workshops require a liability waiver for activity participation.

**REDUCE
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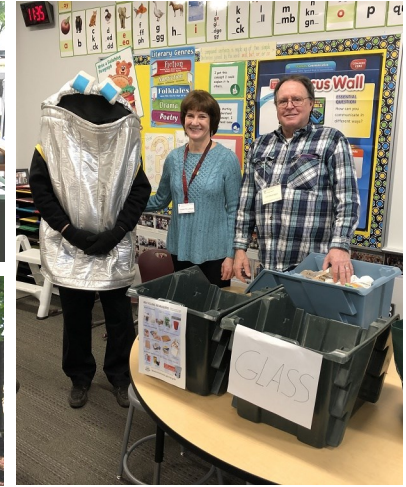
WSU Master Recycler Composters of Lewis County

In partnership with Lewis County Solid Waste and the WA State Dept. of Ecology, WSU Lewis County **Master Recycler Composters (MRC)** increase public awareness of environmental and social issues such as soil and water pollution, natural resource conservation, and solid waste reduction, reuse, recycling, and repurposing.

To become a Certified **Master Recycler Composter**,

1. Submit an application and pass a security background check.
2. Complete approx. 20 hours of training, coursework, & tours.
3. Participate in recycling and composting events & other activities such as:

- Floral Park Sustainability Project
- School Waste Audits & other School Programs
- SWW Fair Upcycled Garden
- SWW Fair & Gardening for Everyone info tables
- Leaf Exchange
- Chehalis Farmers Market (Kids Club)
- Christmas Tree Recycling
- Repair Fairs, Tool Library, & other community events



WSU Lewis County **Master Gardeners (MG)** are university-trained and supported volunteers who make it their mission to educate local community members in applying horticultural science to manage their landscapes and gardens in a science-based, sustainable manner.

To become a Certified **Master Gardener**,

1. Submit an application and pass a security background check.
2. Complete approx. 120 hours of training, coursework, & tours.
3. Complete *40 hours* of volunteer service and activities including:

- Demonstration Gardens
- Plant & Insect Clinic(s)
- Stormwater Education
- Youth/Educational Outreach or Program Support

**** Upon certification, Master Gardeners volunteer 10 hours in each of the following activities:**

- Demonstration Gardens
- Plant & Insect Clinic(s)
- Outreach/Program Support
- Continuing Education



For more information about the **MG** or **MRC** Programs, please call (360) 740-1216 or email jason.adams@lewiscountywa.gov.

Welcome to WSU Lewis County Extension! We are pleased to bring interesting and useful outreach educational programs and volunteer training opportunities to our local residents. While we are able to offer many of our programs without charging a fee, there are costs involved.

Please consider donating to your local Extension programs to help us continue helping you. All gifts to WSU Lewis County Extension—regardless of size—are used to continue our mission of providing outreach education and volunteer training.

Consider giving a tax-deductible donation to our 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations (**below**) which help financially support our educational outreach events, programs, and activities.

- **Master Gardener Foundation of Lewis County**
- **WSU Master Recycler Composters of Lewis County**

Donations can be mailed to 351 NW North Street, Chehalis, WA 98532 or taken to 17 SW Cascade Ave., Chehalis, WA.

For more information,

- call the WSU Lewis County Extension Office at (360) 740-1212
- or visit our webpage: www.lewis.wsu.edu



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Other Important Events

Lewis County MRC Leaf Exchange: Nov. 22 & Dec. 6; 10 am—4 pm; Floral Park Sustainability Project

2025/2026 Christmas Tree & Lights Recycling: Dec. 26—28, Jan. 2—4, & Jan. 9—10; 10 am—4 pm

East County Answer Clinics: 1st Tuesdays, Feb.—Dec.; 10 am—2 pm. Locations will vary.

For more information about these and other events, visit:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/lewis/events> and <https://lewiscountywa.gov/departments/solid-waste>

Workshop & Event Locations

Centralia College (SWFT Center): 807 W. Pear St., Centralia, WA 98531

Centralia College (Washington Hall): 715 W Pear St., Centralia, WA 98531

Centralia College East: 701 Airport Way, Morton, WA 98356

Floral Park Sustainability Project: 106 E. Floral St., Centralia, WA 98531

(At the corner of S. Tower & E. Floral St. just before the Centralia Transfer Station on the left.)

Fort Borst Park Demo Garden and Greenhouse: From I-5, Take Exit 82 (Harrison Ave.) to Johnson Rd. Turn left onto Johnson Rd. Turn right onto Borst Ave. Turn left onto Allen Ave. Turn right onto Mt Vista Rd. Turn left onto Bryden Ave. Turn left onto Pioneer Way. Borst Demo Garden & Greenhouse is straight ahead on the right.

Fort Borst Park Kitchen #1: From I-5, Take Exit 82 (Harrison Street) heading west. Take the first left onto Belmont Street (before Safeway). At the stop sign, drive straight into the park. **Kitchen #1 is on the left** after Thorbeckes Wellness Center and Kitchen #2.

Lewis County Central Transfer Station: 1411 S. Tower Ave., Centralia, WA 98531

Lewis County Morton Transfer Station: 6745 U.S. Hwy 12, Morton, WA 98356

Providence Place Demo Garden: 350 SE Washington Ave, Chehalis, WA 98532

SW Washington Fairgrounds: 1909 S. Gold St, Centralia, WA 98531

Salkum Timberland Library & Demo Garden: 2480 U.S. Hwy 12, Salkum, WA 98582