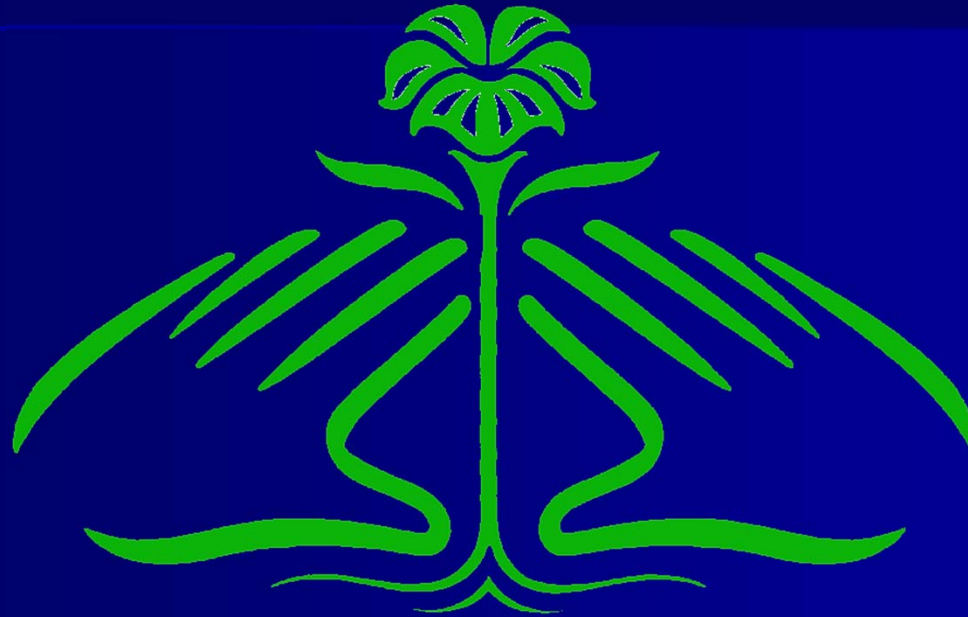


Yavapai County Master Gardener Program



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Land Grant Universities and Mission

- Morrill Act of July 2, 1862 donated Lands for Colleges of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts
- The Hatch Act of March 2, 1887 gave this nation its network of agricultural experiment stations
- The Smith-Lever Act of 1914 gave federal support for establishment of Cooperative Extension

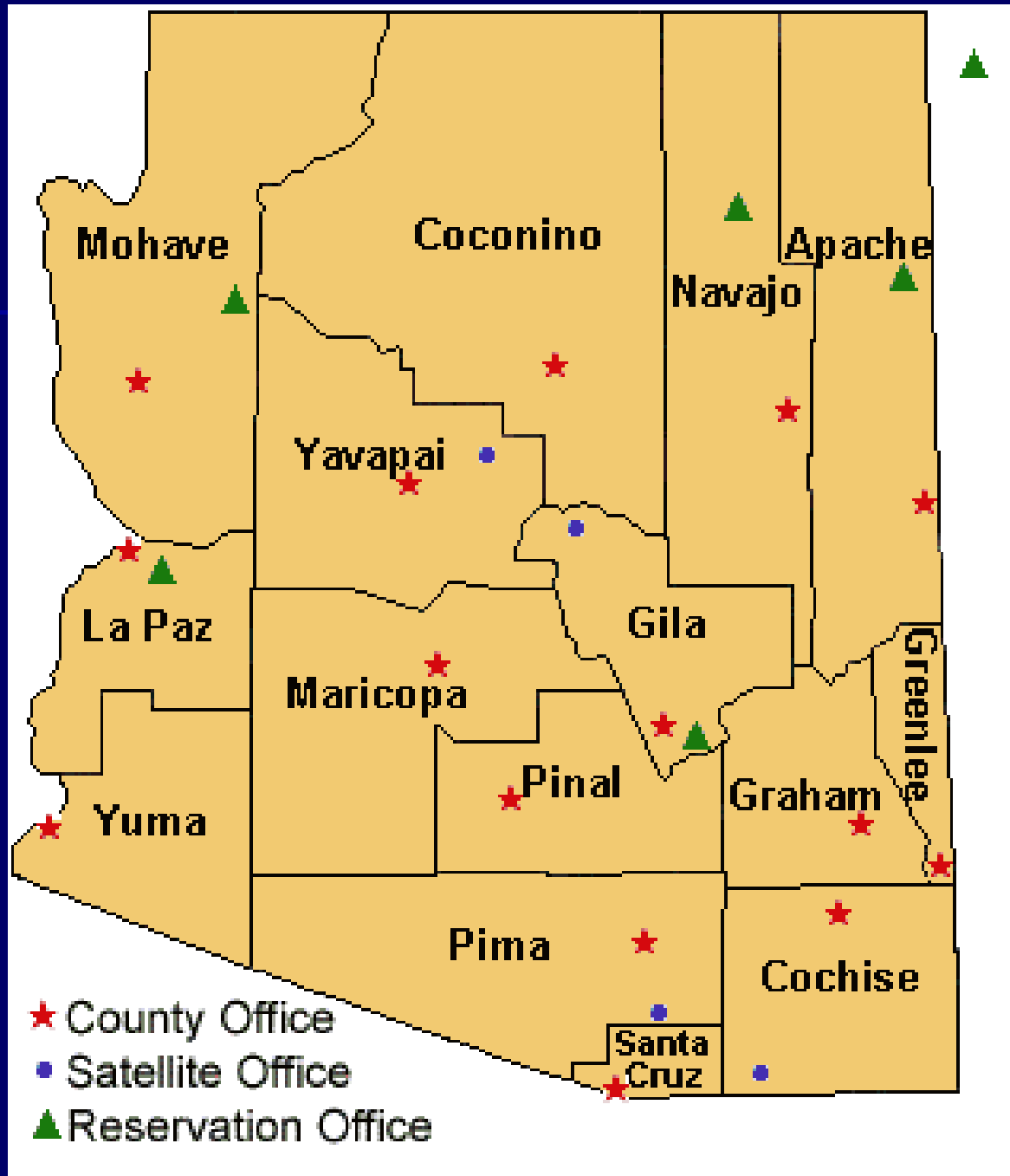


Master Gardeners:

- Are skilled volunteers that assist Cooperative Extension in delivering science-based horticultural information to the citizens of Yavapai County
- Are committed to expanding their horticultural knowledge through continuing education
- Are recognized for their service and expertise
- Have fun while learning and volunteering!



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To become a Certified Master Gardener, you must

- Take the course (maximum of 3 absences)
- Pass the final exam with a score of 70% or better
- Complete and document 50 hours of volunteer service within one year of course completion (June of the following year)
- Maintain a current profile and memorandum of agreement on file with the Extension Office
- Complete the Designated Campus Colleague (DCC) Process



Benefits/Responsibilities of Certified Master Gardeners:

- Receive a name badge
- Receive recognition through the Master Gardener Association
- Receive *Yavapai Gardens* monthly newsletter
- Mentoring Program
- Volunteer at least 25 hours/year and attend 6 hours/year Cont. Ed.
- Continue to report and maintain current contact information



Volunteer Opportunities for Master Gardeners

- Staff office phones
- Staff informational booths at events
- Horticultural assistance to comm. gardens, museums, schools, non-profits
- Speaker's Bureau
- Consult with groups about landscaping
- Projects like Yavapai County Native and Naturalized Plant Database
- Much more...



Some Considerations

- Master Gardeners cannot endorse or promote any business or commercial venture while volunteering
- Are not “free labor” for random projects in the community
- Volunteer efforts must have an educational mission

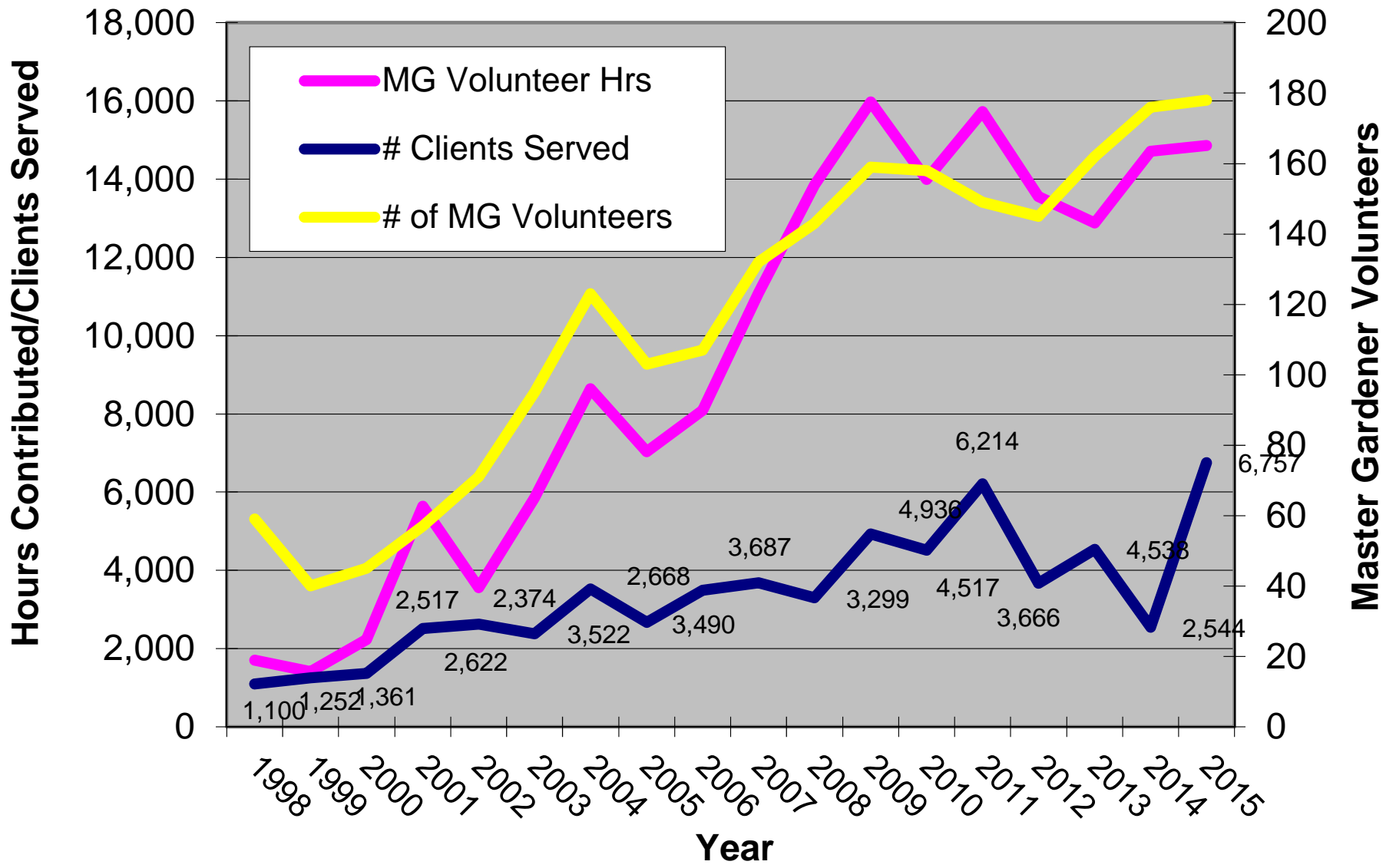


Yavapai County Master Gardener Association

- Meets 10 times/year (meetings alternate between Cottonwood and Prescott)
- Provides 1 hour Cont. Ed. at each meeting
- Coordinates MG activities and projects
- Assists with management of the MG Program



Hours Contributed, Clients Served, and Active Volunteers



Welcome to the Yavapai County Master Gardener Program!

