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UCCE Master Gardeners of San Diego County Host Spring Garden Expo May 4th and 18th

San Diego, CA – The UCCE Master Gardeners of San Diego County are delighted to announce the upcoming Spring Garden Expo scheduled to take place on May 4 and May 18, 2024. This event promises two days filled with education, inspiration, and fun camaraderie for gardening enthusiasts and community members alike.

The Spring Garden Expo will be an opportunity for community members to gather information, grow their knowledge, and prepare for the upcoming seasons. Visitors can expect:

Gardening Talks and Demonstrations: topics presented by knowledgeable Master Gardeners may include plant care, pest discovery and management, composting with worms, container gardening, sustainable landscaping, attracting pollinators and wildlife for biodiverse gardens, improving soil health, propagation techniques, and more.

Crafts: Hands-on activities suitable for all ages, allowing participants to make personalized garden-themed crafts to adorn their outdoor spaces.

Free Tool Sharpening (Day Two only): Bring one gardening hand tool for complimentary sharpening services provided by expert volunteers.

Garden Sales (Day Two only): Browse through a selection of high-quality plants, beautifully crafted birdhouses, and garden art available for purchase at the event.

"We are thrilled to invite the community to join us for two days of learning and celebration in the Lemon Grove and College areas," said Leah Taylor, UCCE Master Gardener Coordinator of San Diego County. "Our team is dedicated to fostering a love for gardening and environmental stewardship, and this event provides an excellent opportunity for individuals of all skill levels to come together, exchange ideas, and grow their gardening knowledge."

Spring Garden Expo, Day One: "Let the Young Buds Bloom"

Home Depot Lemon Grove: 7530 Broadway, Lemon Grove, CA 91945

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Spring Garden Expo, Day Two: "Grow, Sow, Shop"

College Area Community Garden: Zura Way and Montezuma Rd, San Diego, CA 92115

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The two-day event is open to the public, and admission is free of charge. Participants are encouraged to come prepared for a day outdoors and to take advantage of the wealth of resources and expertise available onsite.

For more information about the event and the UCCE Master Gardeners of San Diego, please visit <https://www.mastergardenersd.org>

The Master Gardener Association of San Diego County is a non-profit organization and 85 percent of all proceeds support educational outreach services including community, school and demonstration gardens and specific programs to help change the way San Diego gardens. A free gardening hotline staffed by Master Gardeners is available at (858) 822-6910.

The University of California Master Gardener Program extends to the public research-based information about home horticulture and pest management. Master Gardeners are selected and trained by the University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) to volunteer in the community, educating home gardeners on tested gardening methods. The UCCE San Diego County Master Gardener Program was formed in 1983 and has over 350 active volunteers who donate thousands of volunteer hours to the community each year.

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