### **FFGC Membership**

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Let's talk about our thinking.

What makes garden clubs so valuable to their community?

Over the next few pages an explanation of how your city benefits and the real needs your garden club provides.

Encouraging people to join your Garden Club: personal invitations to attend a meeting, Club programs inviting the general public, holding public events and providing a way for the public to join your club.

Your Goal: member retention and the growth of membership by nuturing new members.

Your community needs healthy activities and social interactions its population.

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### Value of Garden Clubs





Here's a more detailed look at the benefits:

## 1. Beautification and Environmental Enhancement:

**Beautifying Public Spaces:** 

Garden clubs actively participate in landscaping and maintaining public areas like parks, streets, and community gardens. They plant flowers, trees, and shrubs, contributing to a more visually appealing and vibrant environment.

**Promoting Biodiversity:** 

Through planting native species and providing habitats for pollinators, garden clubs help support local ecosystems and biodiversity.

### **Reducing Pollution:**

Gardens and green spaces can help filter air and water pollution, contributing to a healthier urban environment, according to The Wilderness Society.





## 2. Community Building and Social Impact:

**Social Connections:** 

Garden clubs provide opportunities for people with shared interests to connect, fostering a sense of belonging and community.

**Educational Opportunities:** 

They offer workshops, classes, and talks on gardening, floral design, and other related topics.

**Community Projects:** 

Garden clubs often organize and participate in community gardening projects, beautifying public spaces and providing access to fresh produce.

## 3. Economic and Practical Benefits: Property Values:

Well-maintained and attractive landscapes can contribute to increased property values.

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#### **Access to Fresh Food:**

Community gardens, often spearheaded by garden clubs, can provide access to fresh, healthy, and affordable food.

### **Reduced Pesticide Exposure:**

Promoting natural gardening methods can reduce the use of harmful pesticides.

#### **Civic Engagement:**

Garden clubs often partner with local organizations and governments on community projects, fostering civic engagement and collaboration.





# **GARDEN CLUBS**

Cities need garden clubs because they play a vital role in enhancing the community's beauty, fostering environmental stewardship, and promoting social connections. These clubs contribute to the overall quality of life by beautifying public spaces, educating residents about gardening and conservation, and creating opportunities for social interaction.

Garden clubs bring people together, fostering a sense of community and belonging. They provide opportunities for people to connect with nature, learn new skills, and build social connections.

**Areas We Explore** 



**EDUCATIONAL COURSES** 



**EXPERT INSTRUCTION** 



ENVIRONMENTAL, GARDENING



LANDSCAPE DESIGN, FLORAL DESIGN









Join a Garden Club today!





**Phone Number:** 407-647-7016



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### **Tools to Have Your Club Noticed**

**Door Hangers: To invite neighbors** 



Generic Business cards to hand out to prospective members



OUR GARDEN CLUB MEETS THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH SEPTEMBER - MAY

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

A note card for a neighbor praising their garden

