

It's time to volunteer for the 2026 BCMGA Plant Sale!

Join us for our largest fundraiser of the year – a chance to volunteer, learn, and connect with fellow Master Gardeners. This is the one time each year we ask everyone to roll up their sleeves and pitch in! Please get involved!

Where: Benton County Fairgrounds

- **Floral Courtyard:** fruits, veggies, and herbs
- **Solar Barn:** natives, perennials, shade plants, and TSV (trees, shrubs, and vines)

When: May 1- 2, 2026 - Volunteers are needed across five shifts over the two days.

Friday, May 1: Set-Up Day

Help us transport thousands of plants from our Philomath High School storage and growing site to the fairgrounds. Once everything arrives, we'll groom, sort, and organize the plants so they are ready for the big sale.

- **AM Shift:** 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM - Slight variation depending upon your job.
- **PM Shift:** 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM - Slight variation depending upon your job.

Saturday, May 2: Sale Day

We need volunteers for a variety of roles, including tallying purchases, assisting customers with the holding area, staffing the clinic table, providing snacks for volunteers, clean up, and more.

- **AM Shift:** 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM **Important Note!** This year, we will not have access to the big parking lot on Reservoir Road during the sale, which means parking in the other fairgrounds lots will be limited during the morning rush. Morning volunteers, please arrange to be dropped off or bike to the fairgrounds so parking is available for customers. Questions? Please ask. We are considering a shuttle. Ideas?
- **PM Shift:** 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM
- **Clean-Up Shift:** 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Perks:

- Coffee, tea, water, and plenty of snacks on both days.
- Volunteers working the full day Saturday will enjoy a delicious chili lunch.
- **Early access to the sale!** If you volunteer, you can purchase up to four 1-gallon plants before the public on Friday, May 2, from 12:00 - 4:00 PM (two 4" pots count as a 1-gallon plant).

- Knowing that the proceeds from the Plant Sale will provide funds for BCMGA committee work this year!

Can't volunteer that weekend? We'd still love your help with pre-sale tasks! Contact me to learn more about ways to contribute.

Ready to sign up? Click the link below to volunteer for one or more shifts.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/PlantSale2026>

Thank you! Your support makes this event possible. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions or need help signing up.

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