

# COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENTS

## CE-1 COMMUNITY GARDENS

Best in Group: Certificate of Merit + \$100 sponsored by the Garden Club of North Carolina

Given for the most outstanding community or religious garden project that provides green space, and/or opportunities for social gatherings, meditation, beautification, education, recreation or the growing of food.

<b>A – Establishment of a new community or religious garden</b>	<b>B – Continuing participation in a community or religious garden</b>
1. Garden Club: Small Medium Large 2. Group of Clubs, Council, District	1. Garden Club: Small Medium Large 2. Group of Clubs, Council, District

<b>C – Establishment of a new community or religious garden while partnering with another organization.</b>	<b>D – Continuing participation in a community or religious garden while partnering with another organization.</b>
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## CE-2 PERMANENT COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Best in Group: Certificate of Merit + \$100 sponsored by Michigan Garden Clubs, Inc.

Given for the most distinguished civic or conservation work furthering NGC objectives and making a permanent improvement for public benefit, e.g., establishing sanctuaries, children’s gardens, municipal gardens, etc. No commercial projects are eligible.

1. Garden Club: Small Medium Large 2. Group of Clubs, Council, District
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**CE-3 FOOD BANK DONATIONS**

Best in Group: Certificate of Merit + \$100 sponsored by Charlotte (NC) Council of Garden Clubs

Given for the largest donation of freshly grown food to a food bank, pantry or other organization providing food to those in need in a community.

A – Donated produce grown by club members.	B – Donated produce from a community garden with which the club is involved.
1. Garden Club: Small Medium Large 2. Group of Clubs, Council, District	1. Garden Club: Small Medium Large 2. Group of Clubs, Council, District

**CE-3 Specific Scoring Rubric**

	Maximum Points	
<b>Presentation</b>	<b>5 Total</b>	_____
Cover sheet included with all sections completed	2	
Application adheres to 3 single page limit unless other size specified in award description	2	
Application neat and concise	1	
<b>Achievement</b>	<b>65 Total</b>	_____
Scope of Project	10	
Need and Fulfillment	15	
Benefit	15	
Activities to attain goals	10	
Planning	5	
Verification from recipient of quantity received	10	
<b>Participation</b>	<b>15 Total</b>	_____
% of member participation from total size possible (may include any type of support given)	12	
Involvement of others (community, government agencies, professionals, youth, facility residents, others)	3	
<b>Documentation (Photocopies permitted)</b>	<b>15 Total</b>	_____
Clear, well-labeled, neatly attached photos when applicable	4	
Landscape plan when applicable (give full credit if not applicable)	4	
Financial report	5	
Other (letters of appreciation, community awards, publicity, etc.)	2	
	<b>100 Total</b>	_____

**CE-4 ROADSIDE PLANTINGS**

Best in Group A: Certificate of Merit + \$100 sponsored by California Garden Clubs, Inc.

Best in Group B: Certificate of Merit + monetary award up to \$1000

Given for outstanding, permanent roadside beautification. The project may be continuous but must have an advanced degree of completion prior to making application. This award may be given only once for the same project. Projects designed for environmental preservation and enhancement using wildflowers and native plants may be awarded a higher monetary value. These projects may be awarded more than once, but not in consecutive years. Projects may be sited on rural byways, urban highways, roadside rest areas, entrances to towns, medians, etc.

A – Permanent roadside beautification	B – Roadside beautification designed for environmental preservation and enhancement using wildflowers and native plants
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Garden Club: Small Medium Large</li> <li>2. Group of Clubs, Council, District</li> <li>3. State Garden Club: Small Medium Large</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Garden Club: Small Medium Large</li> <li>2. Group of Clubs, Council, District</li> <li>3. State Garden Club: Small Medium Large</li> </ol>

**CE-5 BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT**

Best in Group: A Certificate of Merit + \$100 sponsored by The Garden Club of South Carolina, Inc.

Given for the most outstanding beautification project in a city, town, or neighborhood done on a continuous basis or as a special one-time event. Habitat for Humanity Projects as well as Decoration of Historic Buildings ay be included.

A – Special, one-time event	B – Continuing Project
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Garden Club (NGC or IA): Small Medium Large</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Garden Club (NGC or IA): Small Medium Large</li> </ol>

**CE-6 COMMUNITY PROJECT WITH NATIVE PLANTS/WILDFLOWERS**

Best in Group: Certificate of Merit + monetary award up to \$1000

Given for establishing wildflower gardens, memorial gardens, or the restoration of historic gardens with emphasis on plant material native to your region. This award will not be given to the same project in two consecutive years.

- 1. Garden Club:
  - Small
  - Medium
  - Large
- 2. Group of Clubs, Council, District
- 3. State Garden Club:
  - Small
  - Medium
  - Large

**CE-7 BLUE STAR/GOLD STAR MARKER LANDSCAPING**

Best in Group: Certificate of Merit + \$100 sponsored by The Federated Garden Clubs of New York State, Inc.

Given for the most outstanding Blue Star Marker or Gold Star Marker landscape project. The marker may be part of a highway department rest area maintained by the department. The project may have been continuous, but major landscaping must have been completed within the previous two years. The project may be a replacement of a destroyed or long-neglected marker.

- 1. Garden Club:
  - Small
  - Medium
  - Large
- 2. Group of Clubs, Council, District
- 3. State Garden Club:
  - Small
  - Medium
  - Large

**CE-8 LANDSCAPING OF PUBLIC OR RELIGIOUS GROUNDS**

Best in Group: Certificate of Merit + \$100 sponsored by Nancy Voyles

Given for the most significant contribution in designing a landscape plan, planning the project, and carrying out the plan.

A – Public or commercial property i.e., hospital, library, civic center, park, waterfront, etc.	B – Religious grounds meeting the needs of the congregation
1. Garden Club (NGC or IA): Small Medium Large	1. Garden Club (NGC or IA): Small Medium Large 2. Group of Clubs, Council, District (NGC or IA) 3. Individual garden club member (NGC or IA)

**CE-9 LANDSCAPING OF HISTORIC AREAS**

Best in Group: Certificate of Merit + \$100

Given for the most outstanding historic preservation project. This includes restorations of parks as well as restoration of a building and/or grounds of importance to local, state, or national heritage.

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| 1. Garden Club:<br>Small<br>Medium<br>Large<br>2. Group of Clubs, Council, District<br>3. State Garden Club:<br>Small<br>Medium<br>Large |
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