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CSU Extension donates more than 4,000 pounds of produce

Colorado Master Gardener™ Volunteers grow produce for local food banks

LITTLETON, CO --- Arapahoe County's Colorado Master Gardener (CMG) Volunteers had a very successful harvest. Three demonstration gardens yielded 4,039 pounds of fresh produce donated to local food banks across Arapahoe County, up nearly 100 pounds from 2016.

Gardens are located at Hudson Gardens and the Pea Patch in Littleton and at Silo Park in Greenwood Village. The gardens are maintained by CSU Extension through Colorado Master Gardener Volunteers. The produce was donated to several food banks including Interfaith Community Services, Covenant Cupboard Food Pantry, St. Mary's Parish Pantry, Broadway Assistance Center and Life Center of Mission Hills.

Colorado Master Gardener Volunteers also provided assistance and expertise to thousands of clients, answering questions received through their hotline and at other locations throughout the community.

The Arapahoe County Colorado Master Gardener program began in the 1980s and is operated through the CSU Extension office. Residents can apply to become a CMG in the county in which they reside. Contact information is available at <http://arapahoe.extension.colostate.edu/> or by calling 303-730-1920.

Additional information about the statewide program and application process is available at <http://www.cmg.colostate.edu/>.

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