# What is a Kansas Master Naturalist?

A Kansas Master Naturalist (KMN) is a **trained volunteer** who provides expertise and services for natural resource projects that benefit the community.

KMNs are trained and certified in Kansas Natural Resource concepts. They, in turn, give voluntary service for a variety of projects that utilize their training.

If you want to improve your skills and knowledge of Kansas natural resources and you like to work with people, the KMN program may be for you.

# When & Where Is MN Training?



KMN trainings are held on Thursday afternoons from mid-February through mid-April

Class will be held at various locations near Wichita & Hutchinson.

### **Training**

The KMN training provides 40 hours of classroom and hands-on instruction in natural resource concepts.

Classes in the training include:

- Ecology
- Geology
- Soils
- Weather & Climate
- Plants
- Birds
- Insects
- Mammals
- Herpetology
- Ecosystem Management
- Education and Interpretation



# **After Training**

Following basic training, KMNs continue their education with 10 Hours of Advanced Training each year.

In exchange for training, individuals are required to return a minimum of **30 Hours** of Volunteer Service on environmental projects that benefit the community.

### Why Get Involved?

- Increase your knowledge about Kansas natural resources
- Make new & interesting friends
- Serve the community in new & exciting ways
- Experience new things in nature & science
- Share your passion for nature with others



## Who Can Apply?

Any resident of South Central Kansas, age 18 or over who has an interest in natural resources can apply.

#### **How to Apply**

Download an application at: www.reno.k-state.edu/lawn-garden/ master-naturalists/

Or by completing and returning this form to:

KS Master Naturalist Program Dillon Nature Center 3002 E. 30th St. Hutchinson, KS 67502

Or email to ppaulsen@ksu.edu

#### Yes! I would like to become a Kansas Master Naturalist Volunteer

Name:	
Street:	
City:	
State, Zip:	
Email:	
Phone:	
	I prefer to be contacted by email
	I prefer to be contacted by US Mail

#### **Contact Us**

#### For more information go to:

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**Questions?** 

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Develop knowledgeable & dedicated citizens who are active in promoting awareness, understanding & stewardship of the natural heritage of Kansas.

