

Home Grounds, Gardens & Home Pests Regional Extension Agent (Home Horticulture) Auburn University

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Extension Agent (Home Horticulture)

Department AL Cooperative Extension Systems

Institution Auburn University

Auburn, Alabama

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Application Deadline Open until filled

Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Faculty Associate

Academic Field(s) Horticulture

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Job Description

Extending knowledge, improving lives! Make an impact in your community and in the lives of Alabamians.

The Alabama Cooperative Extension System is seeking qualified applications for a Regional Extension Agent (REA) to serve on the **Home Grounds, Gardens & Home Pest**s Program Priority Team. Applicants must be self-directed and able to thrive in a flexible work environment.

Reasons you'll love working as a Regional Extension Agent at ACES - Auburn:

- Job Satisfaction! Be a part of life-changing work in your communities!
- Competitive retirement plan and benefits.
- Generous leave (including two weeks off during the holidays!)
- Fun, flexible & diverse work environment. Every day is different!



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- Auburn University tuition assistance for yourself and dependents.
- Supportive leadership & peers. The ACES team supports you and your work!

This position is a 100% non-tenure track faculty Extension assignment serving Choctaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Marengo, Perry, Pickens, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, and Wilcox Counties. **The Agent will be housed in one of the counties served.**

<u>Responsibilities:</u> Programming from this team is diverse, covering training opportunities for green industry professionals, and for gardeners/homeowners. Green industry programs can include athletic field management, pesticide safety training, and irrigation. Home horticulture can include backyard fruit, nut and vegetable culture, lawn and ornamental installation and maintenance, water quality, waste management, and pest management. All of these must promote best management practices and the appropriate use of all pest management products.

The Regional Extension Agent (REA) will utilize all available technologies in their educational outreach as well as more traditional methods such as newsletters and workshops/group meetings. Related to home horticulture, the Master Gardener volunteer program is a responsibility of this team. REA's coordinate volunteer training classes and guide volunteer efforts in public outreach. Designing and participating in applied research/demonstration with other agents and Specialists benefits both green industry and non-commercial audiences. All REAs are expected to support the team's program impact evaluations each year. All REAs are expected to participate in regional and state horticulture associations, developing their reputation as educational leaders with the Alabama Cooperative Extension System.

<u>Team Descriptions:</u> The Home Grounds team includes Regional Extension Agents (REAs), Urban Regional Extension Agents (UREAs), County Extension Coordinators (CECs), and Extension Specialists. The REA will participate as a cohesive team member working with local clientele, advisory groups, volunteers, and other interested parties to determine regional needs for program outreach. As a team member, the REA will partner with other REAs and the region's CECs to provide leadership in planning, implementing, evaluating, and reporting the team's programs conducted in the region.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.



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