



NEBRASKA MASTER NATURALIST

The Nebraska Master Naturalist Program is an adult conservation and environmental education program that combines indoor presentations and hands-on field experiences to teach conservation volunteers about Nebraska's natural resources.

Our funding and support comes from **The Nebraska Environmental Trust, Nebraska Game & Parks Commission** and **The University of Nebraska.**

Mission: The NMNP educates a volunteer network dedicated to promoting the conservation of Nebraska's natural resources.

Since our inception in 2010:
We have Trained over **500** Nebraskans

Our Naturalists have participated in **85,000+** Volunteer Hours that is a **\$2,160,000** in savings to the conservation community by using volunteers.

Our Naturalists have connected with over **700,000** people through Volunteer and outreach opportunities.

Our Naturalists have Impacted **80,000** acres through resource and habitat management projects

EXPLORE Nebraska alongside scientists and natural resource professionals.
CONTRIBUTE your time and expertise through exciting volunteer opportunities.
CONNECT with others who share your passion for the outdoors.

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Nebraska Master Naturalists are...

landowners, teachers, professionals, guides, college students, parents, retirees, role models, anyone with a passion for nature and their community. Our Naturalist members contribute to conservation efforts through support for natural resource organizations and agencies statewide. We strive to Explore, Connect and Contribute.

EXPLORE: Developing and mastering interpretive and outreach skills to connect and educate. Hands on opportunities for Resource Management in Habitat Restoration, and Conservation Stewardship. Conducting Citizen Science programs and assisting with field research. Providing support in Outdoor Skills programs and mentoring.

CONNECT: Master Naturalists have connected to over 700,000 Nebraskans through their volunteer efforts. We seek to provide opportunities for people to take part in learning and volunteering in areas conservation and education that they are passionate about.

CONTRIBUTE: Master Naturalists contribute a minimum of 20 hours of volunteer service annually. Here are some examples of volunteer projects we have been involved with:

Interpretive and Outreach Skills: Naturalists guides for youth prairie immersion programs, Ecotourism guides for Sandhill Crane viewing, Naturalists in the Parks program, Field guides written for Central Nebraska Prairies & Butterflies of Eastern Nebraska, Nature Photography for an annual Naturalist Calendar

Citizen Science: Salt Creek Tiger Beetle habitat monitoring and rearing, surveying for at risk bat species, Regal Fritillary & Monarch Butterfly surveying, Spotted Skunk surveying, Bird counts, Small Mammal surveying and identification, water quality testing.

Resource Management: Prescribe burning, stream clean ups, prairie seed harvesting and planting, invasive species identification and removal.
Outdoor Skills: Hunter Education training, support for Family Fishing Programs, Nebraska Game & Park Outdoor Expos, Youth Mentored Hunts, Becoming an Outdoor Woman

