

WHO WE ARE

We empower individuals with disabilities through inclusive job training and employment, fostering confidence, independence, and success beyond high school.

Our staff work in our outdoor gardens and indoor greenhouses to harvest, prep, and deliver fresh herbs and flowers to local restaurants in Maryville and Knoxville.

During the school year, we provide work study opportunities to students currently attending our five local high schools: Alcoa, Greenback, Heritage, Maryville, and William Blount. Each school brings their Special Education group to the gardens one day each week to participate in hands-on vocational training and skill development.



GET INVOLVED



VOLUNTEER



GIVE

**Donations by check may be sent
to the following address:**

**Special Growers
PO BOX 4532
Maryville, TN 37803**



Positively impact the lives of adults with disabilities in our area by providing job training and employment to build confidence and independence after their high school experience.

135 Milligan Rd, Maryville, TN
37803

PROGRAMS

- We currently service approximately 20+ restaurants in East Tennessee growing, harvesting and delivering freshly grown herbs to local chefs daily.
- We offer a Summer Work Program for individuals with disabilities who are seeking seasonal employment. This program runs from June through July and provides participants age 16 and older the opportunity to earn summer wages while working in the gardens.
- Our monthly flower home delivery program features a flower subscription providing a hand designed flower arrangement delivered straight to your door weekly.
- We work with local businesses to provide contracted outsourced services.



"Special Growers was created to offer meaningful employment to adults with disabilities. But their impact is broader. their produce is unparalleled. The first time I tasted their parsley, I made my kitchen staff taste it. When a humble, often overlooked herb is head turning, you know they're doing something right."
-Matt Gallaher, Owner of Emilia



EVENTS

- Harvestfest Benefit at RT Lodge, our annual fundraiser, featuring silent, live auctions and live entertainment outside under the sperry tent.
- Our local plant sale, is our annual event that provides the community with a variety of fresh herbs, peppers, tomatoes, and flowers to be purchased for local individual gardens.
- Garden Dinner Series, come experience our garden transformed into a culinary wonderland, with a multi-course dinner by local Chefs, served by our staff.



Tickets for these events are available on our website.

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