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Dear Vendors,

January 22, 2018

The South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center is in the final stages of planning "**THE BIG BLOOM! Spring Plant Sale & Gardening Festival**," our only plant sale this year! The Big Bloom will be from **9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, April 7st**! (Members' Presale is 8 to 9 a.m.). We had great attendance again last year with over 6000 attending to buy plants and crafts and enjoy butterfly releases, ladybug releases, reptile/parrot shows for the kids. Food trucks helped to keep families on site longer resulting in additional sales.

We hope to welcome all previous vendors back along with some new friends. **Please return the enclosed form or call us as soon as possible**—to let us know you are participating.

Arrangements are the same: **No booth fee**—just 25 percent of your gross sales at the end of the day. You can't lose money! You'll need your own tables, chairs and cash box. (This year, we can supply rented tables & chairs for \$10/table and \$2/chair - prepaid only!) Event Day, you'll be given red dots to stick on your customers' purchases, showing the items are paid for. **Make sure you have your Texas Sales Tax Number in case representatives from the Texas Comptroller of State Accounts make a visit (we can get you information on how to set up an account if you need help).**

Guest entrance and exit for that day are through the Rose Garden Pavilion. Those of you with tents most likely will be in the "festival area" across from the plumeria exhibit or near our tortoise exhibit and playground. Vendors who need shade probably will be in the tree garden behind the Butterfly House & Sensory Garden. Tell us if you need shade and/or electricity on your application — **the sooner the better! WE WILL BE ASSIGNING SPACES IN ADVANCE THIS YEAR!**

Vendors may set up Friday, April 6th beginning at 9 a.m (NO EARLY BIRDS, PLEASE). Please bring your own "assistants" and wagons to help you unload and set up. Although we'd like to help, our **SMALL** staff will be tied up with site preparations. Saturday, we'll open the gate for vendors about 7 a.m. You'll need to be in place—ready for business—before 8 a.m. when our members start shopping.

NOTE: THIS EVENT IS NOW OUR ONLY PLANT SALE AND GARDEN FESTIVAL OF THE YEAR!

**It's DOLLAR DAY! Admission to the event is only \$1 (of course, members are free)
—which leaves plenty of customer money to spend on your merchandise!**

For more information, Kathie Waid - 361/852-2100
We're all looking forward to April 7th!

Your Friends at the
Botanical Gardens & Nature Center

South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center
VENDOR APPLICATION: *The BIG BLOOM!*

Saturday, April 7, 2018—9 am to 5 pm (*members may enter at 8 am*)
(*Please fill out and mail to address below; or fax to 361-852-7875*)

Have Tent ___ **Request Shade** ___ (we'll try, but can't promise...)

Request Electricity ___ (\$10)

Rent Tables (\$10 ea) # ___ **Rent Chairs (\$2 ea) #** ___

PLEASE PRINT

DATE RECEIVED at STBG _____

Vendor Name _____

Complete Mailing Address _____

City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

Texas Sales Tax Number (if applicable): _____

Vendor Phone(s) # (home) _____ (work/cell) _____

Vendor E-Mail Address (must have for quick contact) _____

Product(s) Sold (garden, landscape, nature-related)

If Renting Tables/Chairs, please enclose check to: South Texas Botanical Gardens \$ _____ Ck # _____

Or Rentals paid by: ___ Visa ___ MC ___ Discover Acc't No. _____

Expiration: _____ Sec. Code _____ Signature of Account Holder _____

Billing Address, if different from above _____

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Each Vendor also will receive a copy of this form on Day of Event to record sales.

TOTAL SALES \$ _____

**PUT RED STICKY DOT ON EACH
ITEM PURCHASED FROM YOU!!!!!!**

75 PERCENT TO VENDOR \$ _____

25 PERCENT TO STBGNC \$ _____

VENDOR SIGNATURE _____

PLEASE TALLY ON BACK OF THIS FORM