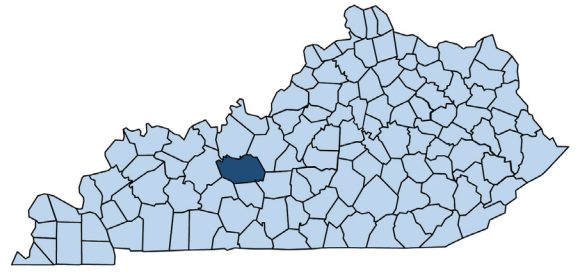


REPORT TO THE PEOPLE



Grayson County 2021



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4-H Youth Development



Participants received a bag full of project materials for adopting their pet.

203

Number of youth who were educated on health and well-being through 4-H programs

91

Number of youth who participated in project, activity, or event for science, engineering, and technology projects.

Family and Consumer Sciences

Employers are often prepared to teach technical job skills; however, the intangible skills of being a team player, time management, and positive attitude are difficult to teach on-site but are critical to success. To address this need, Grayson County Extension Office offered the Positive Employability: Preparing for Financial Success program to provide clientele with the personal skill sets and resources to be workforce ready. The program consisted of three curriculum sets delivering objective-based learning through interactive learning activities. Participants received 6 hours of direct education. The program was delivered via a virtual platform both to the general public and to members of the local Chamber of Commerce. Fifty six people participated in the workshop series. One hundred percent planned to utilize communication strategies to engage in productive networking conversations.



Thursday, November 5: 2:30 p.m. CST

Soft Skills 1-5, *via Zoom*

Thursday, November 12: 2:30 p.m. CST

Grow Grayson County promotional flyer was distributed throughout businesses in the community.

100

Number of individuals reporting improved parenting skills.

1076

Number of hours Kentucky Extension Homemakers Association members volunteered for community activities and events

The Cloverbud age (5-8) is a prime opportunity to teach youth the intricacies of taking care of a pet as experts recommend that children be at least 6 years old before they are given a pet or a pet is introduced to them. Young children do not always understand the rules, boundaries, and responsibilities that come with certain types of pets and a 4-H Pet Pals curriculum. For the program, the agent purchased animal sets that can be custom colored by the youth. Pet varieties include: dog, fish, pig, elephant, turtle, octopi, and crab. There was no cost to the youth to participate in this program as the items were purchased with program support funds. Favorite parts of activity included: coloring the pets, naming them and filling out the pet tags and adoption certificates, and making things for the pets like beds and toys. All families found this activity to be beneficial in helping youth learn responsibility with owning pets.

Agriculture and Natural Resources



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350

Number of people who gained information on beef nutrition, animal health, genetics, reproduction, and/or facilities and equipment

250

Number of people who applied Extension recommendations for soil fertility

Nutrition Education

Nutrition Education Program focuses on education of healthy food choices. On July 17, 2021, the Grayson County Extension Office hosted a Family Farmer's Market Day. The Family Market Day was in conjunction with the local Farmer's Market, where people could purchase produce and while visiting booths from the program areas of the Extension Service. The Grayson County Nutrition Education Program Assistant set up a booth and handed out information about the Nutrition Education Program, Food Safety information, MyPlate, and Know your Limits. She also prepared the NEP Recipe "Tail Gate Caviar" and handed out samples of this as well. The event was a great success, reaching over 150 adults and more than 35 children.

Extension Agents are continuously looking for ideas to help reach new audiences to educate and communicate. Agriculture Agents in Grayson and surrounding counties were looking for ways to reach the young farmer population, a group that can be difficult to reach in the current educational methods. One way that the agents looked into is podcasting. Using Zoom online, the agents were able to record the podcasts to keep farmers in the know about cattle and grain markets, CFAP programs, planting issues, weather, and hot topics related to agriculture. To date, there have been over 6,200 downloads. After posting a weekly show for over a year now, the podcast has been receiving 75 or more downloads, which puts the show in the top 25% of all podcasts (According to Buzzsprouts.com).



Robin Burton, NEP Assistant talks with families at local Family Farmer's Market Day.

30

Number of individuals who demonstrated safe food handling and preparation and/or preservation of food

45

Number of individuals who reported improved knowledge, opinions, skills, or aspirations regarding the safe storage, handling,

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... just a few ways Extension supports Kentucky

- *23,971 Kentucky youth who participated in a project, activity or event in science, engineering and technology through 4-H programming.*
- *4,890 Kentucky producers adopting new technologies in agriculture production.*
- *3,399 Kentuckians who improved or maintained health from participating in gardening.*
- *3,898 Kentucky families who supplemented their diets with foods they grew or preserved.*
- *4,161 Kentuckians participating in community trail projects.*

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