

2023 Extension Community Assessment

Boone County Results Summary

This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Boone County. The interactive data dashboard at https://extension.ca.uky.edu provides additional details, including demographic information about the 1081 respondents from Boone County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

Top 15 Issues in Boone County

Minimizing youth substance use

Youth life skill training opportunities (e.g., leadership and communication skill building opportunities)

Sustainability of family farms

Improved access to mental health and wellbeing resources

Preserving/managing agricultural land

Strengthening youth workforce readiness (including entrepreneurship, business development skills, etc.)

Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise

Ensuring individuals and families have access to affordable nutritious food

Minimizing bullying and/or school violence

Support for substance use addiction prevention/recovery

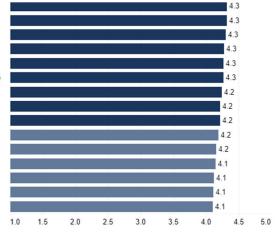
Coping strategies to support youth wellbeing

Building financial literacy and/or resource management skills

Social, emotional, and/or behavioral education for adults working with youth

Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry

Food as health: addressing food insecurity and diet related chronic diseases



Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs

Sustainability of family farms

Preserving/managing agricultural land

Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry

Market support for locally grown and produced foods

Issues affecting crops (e.g., pests, diseases and weed issues)

Providing increased market opportunities for farmers

Helping individual, families, farmers, and/or businesses recover from natural disasters

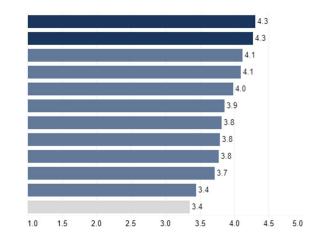
Helping individuals, families, farmers, and/or businesses prepare for natural disasters

Access to high-speed internet

Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability

Dealing with climate variation

Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses

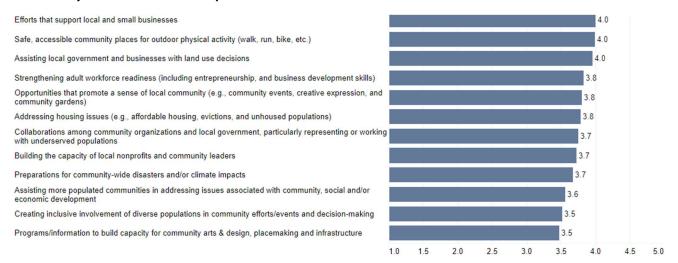




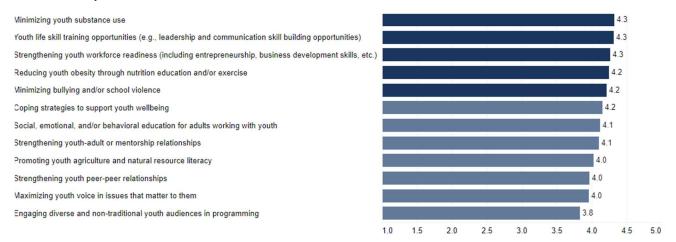




Community and Economic Development Needs



Youth Development Needs



Individual and Family Development Needs

