

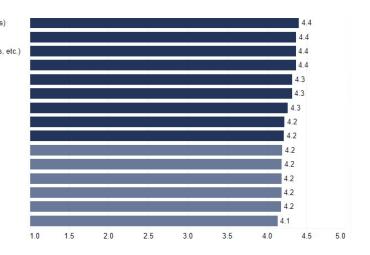
# **2023 Extension Community Assessment**

# **Boyle County Results Summary**

This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Boyle County. The interactive data dashboard at https://extension.ca.uky.edu provides additional details, including demographic information about the 477 respondents from Boyle County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

### **Top 15 Issues in Boyle County**

Youth life skill training opportunities (e.g., leadership and communication skill building opportunities) Ensuring individuals and families have access to affordable nutritious food Strengthening youth workforce readiness (including entrepreneurship, business development skills, etc.) Minimizing youth substance use Improved access to mental health and wellbeing resources Support for substance use addiction prevention/recovery Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise Access to high-speed internet Sustainability of family farms Food as health: addressing food insecurity and diet related chronic diseases Minimizing bullying and/or school violence Building financial literacy and/or resource management skills Coping strategies to support youth wellbeing Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships Social, emotional, and/or behavioral education for adults working with youth



#### **Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs**

Access to high-speed internet

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

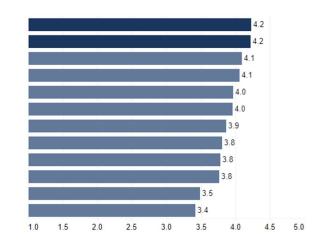
Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability

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

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

Dealing with climate variation

Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses





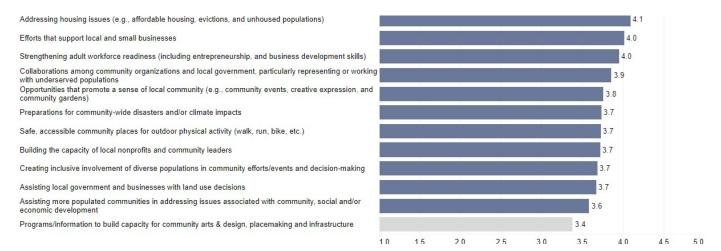
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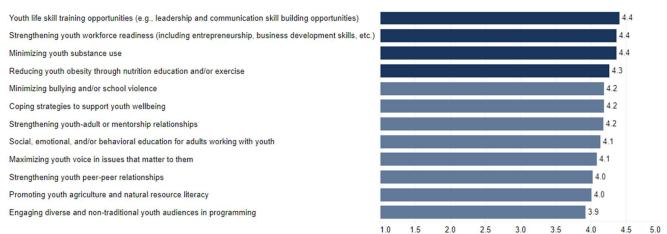


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#### **Community and Economic Development Needs**



## Youth Development Needs



#### **Individual and Family Development Needs**

