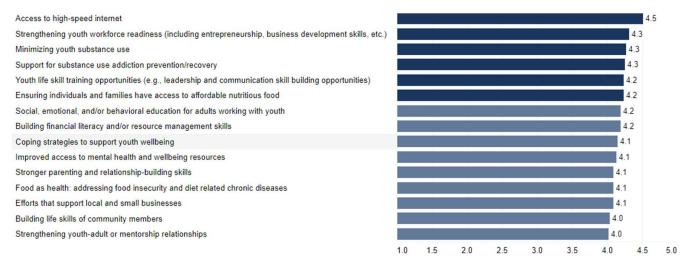


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Crittenden County Results Summary

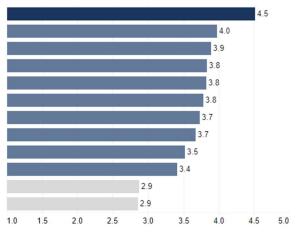
This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Crittenden County. The interactive data dashboard at https://extension.ca.uky.edu provides additional details, including demographic information about the 57 respondents from Crittenden County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

Top 15 Issues in Crittenden County



Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs

Access to high-speed internet	
Sustainability of family farms	1
Preserving/managing agricultural land	1
Market support for locally grown and produced foods	
Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry	1
Providing increased market opportunities for farmers	1
Issues affecting crops (e.g., pests, diseases and weed issues)	
Helping individuals, families, farmers, and/or businesses prepare for natural disasters	
Helping individual, families, farmers, and/or businesses recover from natural disasters	
Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability	
Dealing with climate variation	1
Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses	- 1
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Community and Economic Development Needs

Efforts that support local and small businesses							
Strengthening adult workforce readiness (including entrepreneurship, and business development skills)							4
Addressing housing issues (e.g., affordable housing, evictions, and unhoused populations)							3.8
Preparations for community-wide disasters and/or climate impacts							3.7
Safe, accessible community places for outdoor physical activity (walk, run, bike, etc.)						3	.7
Opportunities that promote a sense of local community (e.g., community events, creative expression, and community gardens)						3.6	
Building the capacity of local nonprofits and community leaders						3.5	
Collaborations among community organizations and local government, particularly representing or working with underserved populations						3.4	
Assisting local government and businesses with land use decisions						3.4	
Programs/information to build capacity for community arts & design, placemaking and infrastructure						3.3	
Assisting more populated communities in addressing issues associated with community, social and/or economic development						3.3	
Creating inclusive involvement of diverse populations in community efforts/events and decision-making						3.3	
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Youth Development Needs

Strengthening youth workforce readiness (including entrepreneurship, business development skills, etc.)						
Minimizing youth substance use						
Youth life skill training opportunities (e.g., leadership and communication skill building opportunities)						
Social, emotional, and/or behavioral education for adults working with youth						
Coping strategies to support youth wellbeing						
Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships						
Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise						
Strengthening youth peer-peer relationships						
Minimizing bullying and/or school violence	j					
Promoting youth agriculture and natural resource literacy						
Maximizing youth voice in issues that matter to them	1					
Engaging diverse and non-traditional youth audiences in programming						<mark>3.5</mark>
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Individual and Family Development Needs

