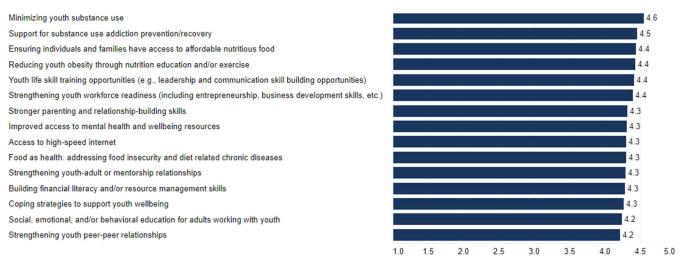


# 2023 Extension Community Assessment

Floyd County Results Summary

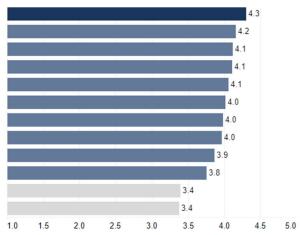
This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Floyd County. The interactive data dashboard at https://extension.ca.uky.edu provides additional details, including demographic information about the 253 respondents from Floyd County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

## **Top 15 Issues in Floyd County**



## Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs

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



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

 Strengthening adult workforce readiness (including entrepreneurship, and business development skills)
 Safe, accessible community places for outdoor physical activity (walk, run, bike, etc.)

 Efforts that support local and small businesses
 Addressing housing issues (e.g., affordable housing, evictions, and unhoused populations)

 Preparations for community-wide disasters and/or climate impacts
 Collaborations among community organizations and local government, particularly representing or working with underserved populations

 Opportunities that promote a sense of local community (e.g., community events, creative expression, and community gardens)

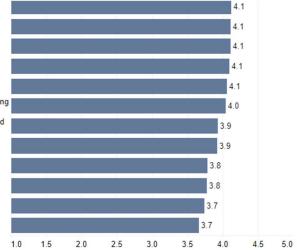
 Building the capacity of local nonprofits and community leaders

 Assisting local government and businesses with land use decisions

 Programs/information to build capacity for community arts & design, placemaking and infrastructure

 Assisting more populated communities in addressing issues associated with community, social and/or economic development

Creating inclusive involvement of diverse populations in community efforts/events and decision-making



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## Youth Development Needs

Minimizing youth substance use								4.6	5
Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise								4.4	
Youth life skill training opportunities (e.g., leadership and communication skill building opportunities)								4.4	
Strengthening youth workforce readiness (including entrepreneurship, business development skills, etc.)								4.4	
Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships								4.3	
Coping strategies to support youth wellbeing								4.3	
Social, emotional, and/or behavioral education for adults working with youth								4.2	
Strengthening youth peer-peer relationships								4.2	
Minimizing bullying and/or school violence							4	.2	
Maximizing youth voice in issues that matter to them							4	.1	
Promoting youth agriculture and natural resource literacy							4.1		
Engaging diverse and non-traditional youth audiences in programming							3.9		
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## Individual and Family Development Needs

