

# **2023 Extension Community Assessment**

## **Gallatin County Results Summary**

This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Gallatin County. The interactive data dashboard at https://extension.ca.uky.edu provides additional details, including demographic information about the 114 respondents from Gallatin County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

#### **Top 15 Issues in Gallatin County**

Minimizing youth substance use

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

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

Support for substance use addiction prevention/recovery

Building financial literacy and/or resource management skills

Stronger parenting and relationship-building skills

Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships

Promoting youth agriculture and natural resource literacy

Improved access to mental health and wellbeing resources

Senior citizen support programs

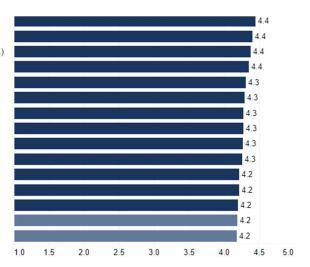
Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise

Coping strategies to support youth wellbeing

Strengthening youth peer-peer relationships

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

Minimizing bullying and/or school violence



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

Sustainability of family farms

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)

Access to high-speed internet

Preserving/managing agricultural land

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

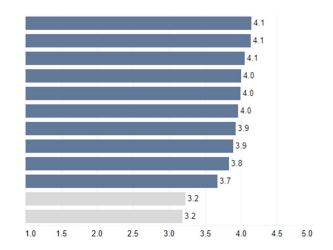
Helping individuals, families, farmers, and/or businesses prepare for natural disasters

Providing increased market opportunities for farmers

Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability

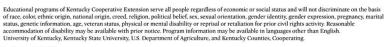
Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses

Dealing with climate variation





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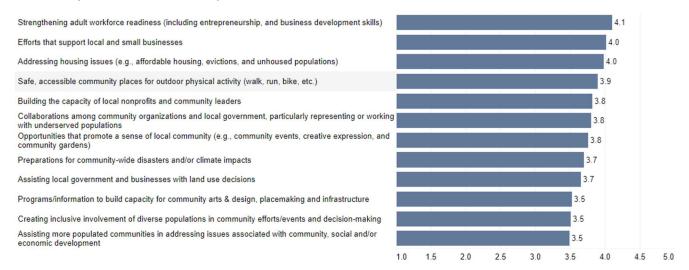


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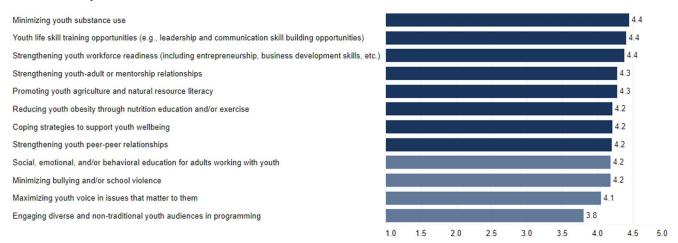




#### **Community and Economic Development Needs**



#### Youth Development Needs



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

