

2023 Extension Community Assessment

Hancock County Results Summary

This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Hancock County. The interactive data dashboard at https://extension.ca.uky.edu provides additional details, including demographic information about the 254 respondents from Hancock County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

Top 15 Issues in Hancock County

Access to high-speed internet

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.)

Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships

Ensuring individuals and families have access to affordable nutritious food

Sustainability of family farms

Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry

Improved access to mental health and wellbeing resources

Market support for locally grown and produced foods

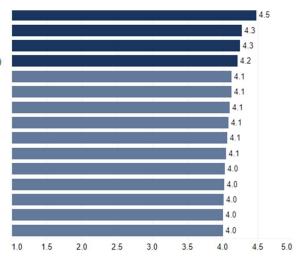
Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise

Stronger parenting and relationship-building skills

Support for substance use addiction prevention/recovery

Building financial literacy and/or resource management skills

Coping strategies to support youth wellbeing



Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs

Access to high-speed internet

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)

Providing increased market opportunities for farmers

Preserving/managing agricultural land

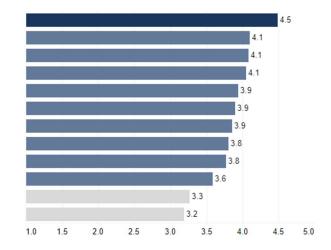
Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability

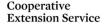
Helping individuals, families, farmers, and/or businesses prepare for natural disasters

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

Dealing with climate variation

Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses





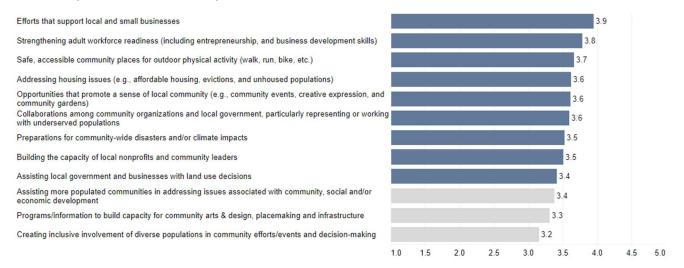
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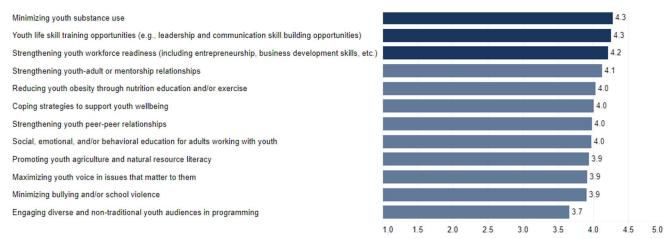




Community and Economic Development Needs



Youth Development Needs



Individual and Family Development Needs

