

# **2023 Extension Community Assessment**

## Harrison County Results Summary

This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Harrison County. The interactive data dashboard at <a href="https://extension.ca.uky.edu">https://extension.ca.uky.edu</a> provides additional details, including demographic information about the 395 respondents from Harrison County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

## **Top 15 Issues in Harrison County**

Access to high-speed internet

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

Minimizing youth substance use

Sustainability of family farms

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

Support for substance use addiction prevention/recovery

Ensuring individuals and families have access to affordable nutritious food

Improved access to mental health and wellbeing resources

Minimizing bullying and/or school violence

Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry

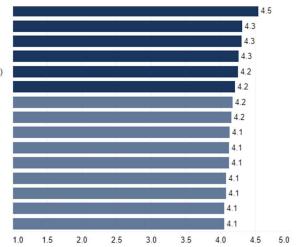
Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships

Preserving/managing agricultural land

Building financial literacy and/or resource management skills

Senior citizen support programs

Stronger parenting and relationship-building skills



## **Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs**

Access to high-speed internet

Sustainability of family farms

Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry

Preserving/managing agricultural land

Market support for locally grown and produced foods

Providing increased market opportunities for farmers

Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability

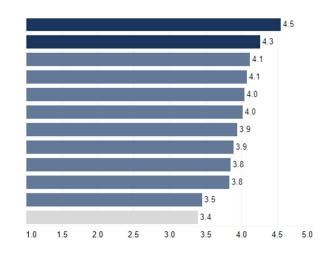
Issues affecting crops (e.g., pests, diseases and weed issues)

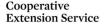
Helping individuals, families, farmers, and/or businesses prepare for natural disasters

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

Dealing with climate variation

Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses

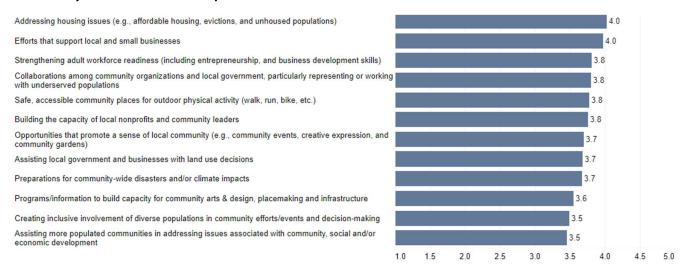




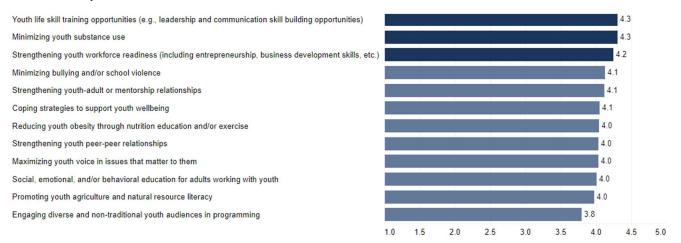




## **Community and Economic Development Needs**



#### Youth Development Needs



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

