

2023 Extension Community Assessment

McLean County Results Summary

This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for McLean County. The interactive data dashboard at https://extension.ca.uky.edu provides additional details, including demographic information about the 69 respondents from McLean County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

Top 15 Issues in McLean County

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

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

Access to high-speed internet

Minimizing youth substance use

Ensuring individuals and families have access to affordable nutritious food

Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise

Improved access to mental health and wellbeing resources

Support for substance use addiction prevention/recovery

Efforts that support local and small businesses

Food as health: addressing food insecurity and diet related chronic diseases

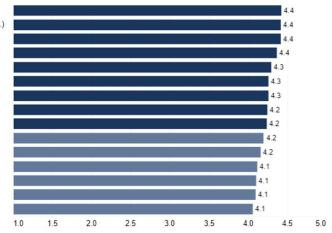
Social, emotional, and/or behavioral education for adults working with youth

Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships

Minimizing bullying and/or school violence

Coping strategies to support youth wellbeing

Strengthening youth peer-peer relationships



Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs

Access to high-speed internet

Sustainability of family farms

Market support for locally grown and produced foods

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

Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry

Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability

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

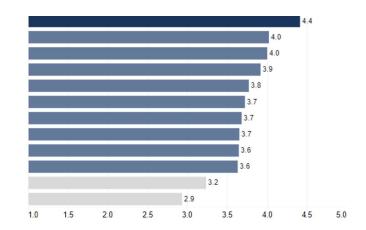
Preserving/managing agricultural land

Providing increased market opportunities for farmers

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

Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses

Dealing with climate variation



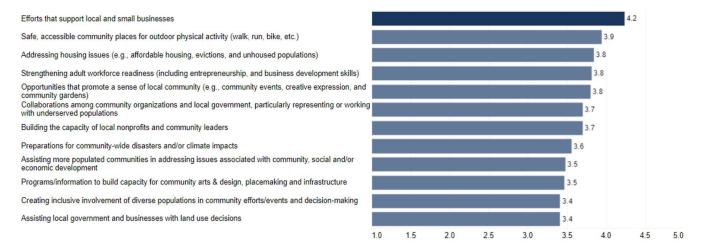


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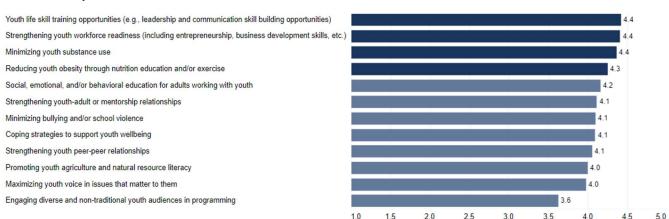




Community and Economic Development Needs



Youth Development Needs



Individual and Family Development Needs

