

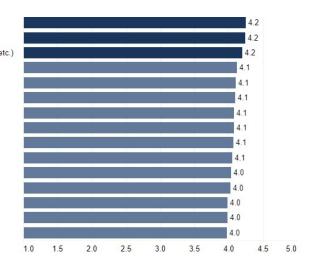
# **2023 Extension Community Assessment**

# Metcalfe County Results Summary

This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Metcalfe County. The interactive data dashboard at https://extension.ca.uky.edu provides additional details, including demographic information about the 275 respondents from Metcalfe County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

# **Top 15 Issues in Metcalfe County**

Sustainability of family farms Minimizing youth substance use Strengthening youth workforce readiness (including entrepreneurship, business development skills, etc.) Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry Support for substance use addiction prevention/recovery Efforts that support local and small businesses Youth life skill training opportunities (e.g., leadership and communication skill building opportunities) Issues affecting crops (e.g., pests, diseases and weed issues) Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability Providing increased market opportunities for farmers Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise Preserving/managing agricultural land Ensuring individuals and families have access to affordable nutritious food Minimizing bullying and/or school violence Promoting youth agriculture and natural resource literacy



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

Sustainability of family farms

Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry

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

Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability

Providing increased market opportunities for farmers

Preserving/managing agricultural land

Market support for locally grown and produced foods

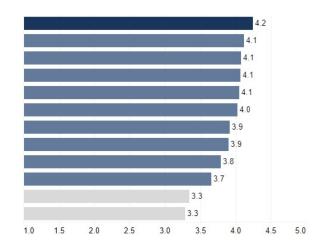
Helping individual, families, farmers, and/or businesses recover from natural disasters

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

Access to high-speed internet

Dealing with climate variation

Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses





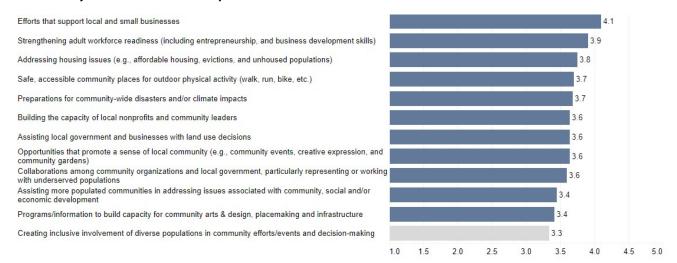
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4-H Youth Development
Community and Economic Development



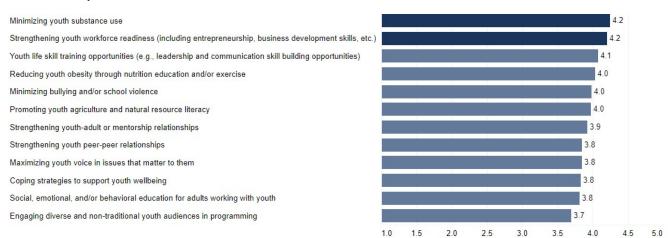


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#### **Community and Economic Development Needs**



## Youth Development Needs



## **Individual and Family Development Needs**

