

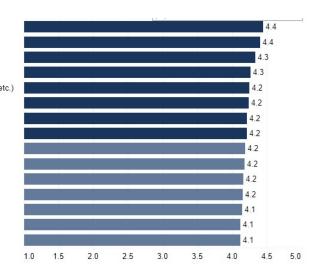
2023 Extension Community Assessment

Nelson County Results Summary

This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Nelson County. The interactive data dashboard at https://extension.ca.uky.edu provides additional details, including demographic information about the 542 respondents from Nelson County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

Top 15 Issues in Nelson County

Sustainability of family farms
Minimizing youth substance use
Preserving/managing agricultural land
Youth life skill training opportunities (e.g., leadership and communication skill building opportunities)
Strengthening youth workforce readiness (including entrepreneurship, business development skills, etc.)
Ensuring individuals and families have access to affordable nutritious food
Support for substance use addiction prevention/recovery
Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry
Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise
Building financial literacy and/or resource management skills
Market support for locally grown and produced foods
Minimizing bullying and/or school violence
Improved access to mental health and wellbeing resources
Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships
Promoting youth agriculture and natural resource literacy



Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs

Sustainability of family farms

Preserving/managing agricultural land

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

Providing increased market opportunities for farmers

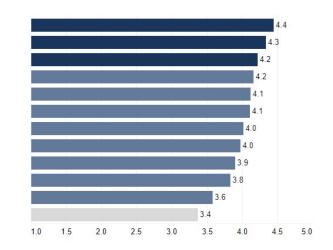
Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability

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

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

Dealing with climate variation

Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses

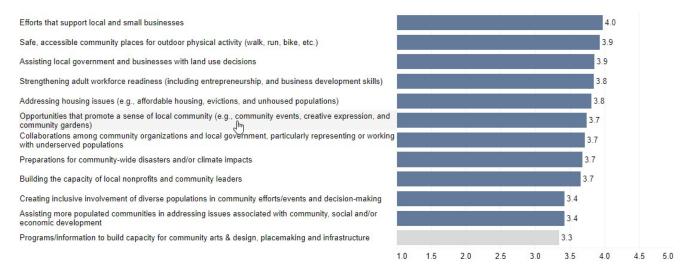




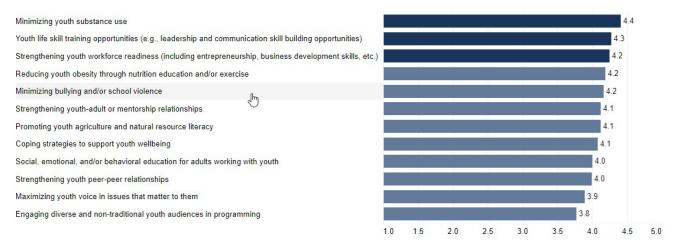




Community and Economic Development Needs



Youth Development Needs



Individual and Family Development Needs

