

# **2023 Extension Community Assessment**

Scott County Results Summary

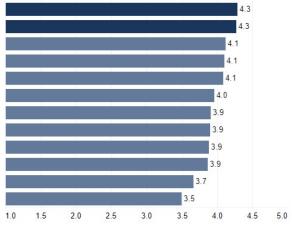
This handout provides summary data from the Cooperative Extension Community Needs Assessment conducted in fall 2023 for Scott County. The interactive data dashboard at <a href="https://extension.ca.uky.edu">https://extension.ca.uky.edu</a> provides additional details, including demographic information about the 415 respondents from Scott County. The site also includes links to secondary data that correlate with the needs and issues included in the assessment.

## **Top 15 Issues in Scott County**

Sustainability of family farms								4.3	
Preserving/managing agricultural land								4.3	
Youth life skill training opportunities (e.g., leadership and communication skill building opportunities)								4.3	
Strengthening youth workforce readiness (including entrepreneurship, business development skills, etc.)								4.3	
Ensuring individuals and families have access to affordable nutritious food							4	4.2	
Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise							4	1.2	
Minimizing youth substance use							4	.2	
Building financial literacy and/or resource management skills							4.1	1	
Minimizing bullying and/or school violence							4.1		
Food as health: addressing food insecurity and diet related chronic diseases							4.1		
Improved access to mental health and wellbeing resources							4.1		
Access to high-speed internet							4.1		
Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry							4.1		
Promoting youth agriculture and natural resource literacy							4.1		
Market support for locally grown and produced foods							4.1		
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# Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs

Sustainability of family farms	
Preserving/managing agricultural land	
Access to high-speed internet	
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)	
Helping individual, families, farmers, and/or businesses recover from natural disasters	
Providing increased market opportunities for farmers	
Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability	
Helping individuals, families, farmers, and/or businesses prepare for natural disasters	
Dealing with climate variation	
Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses	
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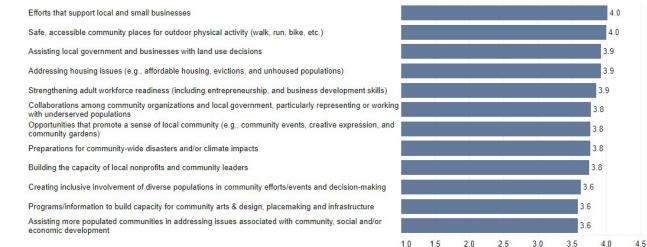
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### **Community and Economic Development Needs**



## Youth Development Needs

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

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

 Reducing youth obesity through nutrition education and/or exercise

 Minimizing youth substance use

 Minimizing bullying and/or school violence

 Promoting youth agriculture and natural resource literacy

 Coping strategies to support youth wellbeing

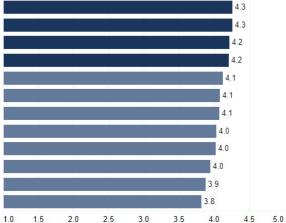
 Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships

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

 Maximizing youth peer-peer relationships

 Strengthening youth peer-peer relationships

 Engaging diverse and non-traditional youth audiences in programming



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## Individual and Family Development Needs

