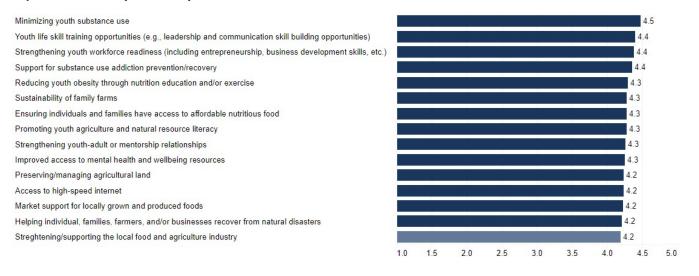


# **2023 Extension Community Assessment**

**Taylor County Results Summary** 

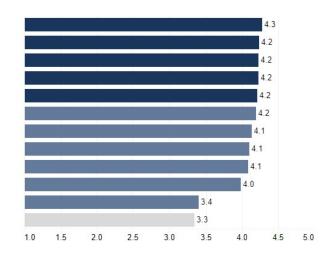
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## **Top 15 Issues in Taylor County**



## Agriculture and Natural Resources Needs

Sustainability of family farms
Preserving/managing agricultural land
Access to high-speed internet
Market support for locally grown and produced foods
Helping individual, families, farmers, and/or businesses recover from natural disasters
Streghtening/supporting the local food and agriculture industry
Issues affecting crops (e.g., pests, diseases and weed issues)
Providing increased market opportunities for farmers
Helping individuals, families, farmers, and/or businesses prepare for natural disasters
Assisting farmers in agricultural production or profitability
Dealing with climate variation
Helping producers create carbon neutral businesses



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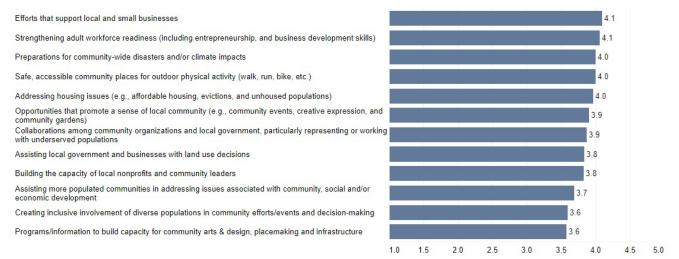
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## **Community and Economic Development Needs**



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## Youth Development Needs

Minimizing youth substance use						
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						
Promoting youth agriculture and natural resource literacy			tini.			
Strengthening youth-adult or mentorship relationships						
Minimizing bullying and/or school violence						
Coping strategies to support youth wellbeing						
Strengthening youth peer-peer relationships						
Social, emotional, and/or behavioral education for adults working with youth						
Maximizing youth voice in issues that matter to them						
Engaging diverse and non-traditional youth audiences in programming						
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## Individual and Family Development Needs

