### **CASEY COUNTY**

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# BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR KENTUCKY



#### **OUR FOCUS**

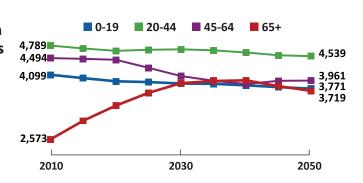
Family and Consumer Sciences Extension is committed to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families in Casey County. To help families make wise decisions our educational programs focus on:

- Making Healthy Lifestyle Choices that influence health and well-being
- Nurturing Families as they cope with fewer resources and more demands
- Embracing Life as We Age to strive for independence longer
- Securing Financial Stability in a turbulent economic period
- Promoting Healthy Homes and Communities to recycle, reduce waste, and protect our environment
- Accessing Nutritious Food that is affordable, available and safe
- Empowering Community Leaders as we all work to sustain and improve our communities

In 2011-2012, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made **9,393** contacts with Casey County individuals and families.<sup>2</sup>

#### **OUR PEOPLE**

Population projections by age group for Casey County<sup>1</sup>



## **SPOTLIGHT ON ...**

# FOOD PRESERVATION OF LOCAL FOODS

he statistics are stark: 36 percent of Casey County children live in poverty and the county's median household income is \$21,580. To increase residents' ability to maintain proper nutritional habits and budget food dollars, the Casey County Cooperative Extension Service's offered a Food Preservation Boot Camp. During the program, participants were encouraged to grow a garden or purchase fresh fruits and vegetables locally, and utilize proper food preservation

methods. Afterward, according to one participant "Before I took this workshop, I was afraid to even try food preservation; the pressure canner really scared me. Now, I can do this! I'm not afraid anymore! I can't wait to can some more so my family can eat better. Thank you! You've changed the way we eat!"





#### **OUR FAMILIES**

According to the 2010 American Community Survey,<sup>3</sup> between 2006 and 2010 it is estimated that in Casey County:

- 36.0% (+/- 7.5) families with related children were below poverty
- 22.9% (+/- 7.0) of those over the age of 65 were below poverty

#### In addition:

- 29.3% (+/- 2.7) of those ages 18-64 did not have health insurance in 20104
- 384 children on average received Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP) benefits in 2010<sup>5</sup>
- 4,365 people received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in 2012<sup>6</sup>

#### As a result of participating in Casey County Extension programs: 2

- 575 people reported spending time in physical activity.
- 950 people increased their knowledge about healthy foods.
- 900 people reported eating more healthy foods.

#### **OUR COMMUNITY**

#### In Casey County:

- 60.0% of births were to mothers who received early and regular prenatal care in 2009<sup>7</sup>
- 60.0% of ordered child support was collected in 20118

Of the **6** primary care physicians in Casey County: <sup>9</sup>

- 66.7% are family practice
- 0.0% are pediatricians
- 0.0% are OB/GYN

#### As a result of participating in Casey County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **500** people are involved in addressing community
- 800 people increased awareness of how to manage current economic events.
- 1,000 people were able to utilize new decisionmaking skills for health.

# **OUR HEALTH**

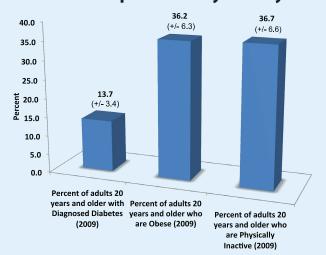
According to Kentucky Health Facts, 10 between 2008 and 2010 in Casey County:

- 20.1% (13.4 29.1) did not pursue health care due to cost, compared to 18% (17.0 - 18.6) in the state
- 26.4% (18.2 36.5) of adults reported their health status as less than good, compared to **23% (22.0 - 23.6)** in the state
- 30.0% (21.1 40.8) of adults reported having received a flu vaccine in the past year

#### As a result of participating in **Casey County Extension** programs:<sup>2</sup>

- 1,000 people increased knowledge of diet and exercise changes to improve health.
- 950 people made diet or exercise changes to improve health.
- 950 people experienced a change in knowledge of healthy home practices and stress management.

#### Health Snapshot: Casey County<sup>11</sup>



#### **SOURCES**

- Kentucky State Data Center
- Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, Impact Reporting, FY2012
- <sup>3</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates <sup>4</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates
- <sup>5</sup> Kids Count Data Center, Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services <sup>6</sup> Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Data Book, June 2012
- 7 Kids Count Data Center, Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services 8 Kids Count Data Center, Kentucky Division of Child Support
- 9 Kentucky Health Facts, Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure 10 Kentucky Health Facts, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
- 11 Centers for Disease Control, National Diabetes Surveillance System

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