### **GALLATIN COUNTY**

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# BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR KENTUCKY



#### **OUR FOCUS**

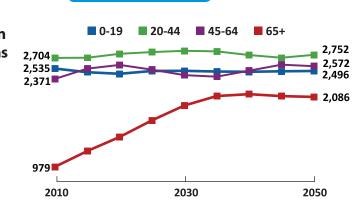
Family and Consumer Sciences
Extension is committed to improving
the health and well-being of
individuals and families in Gallatin
County. To help families make wise
decisions our educational programs
focus on:

- 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 **31,871** contacts with Gallatin County individuals and families.<sup>2</sup>

#### **OUR PEOPLE**

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



#### **SPOTLIGHT ON ...**

# DECREASING FALLS IN THE COMMUNITY

ach year, falls jeopardize the independence for over one-third of Kentucky's senior population 65 and older. To teach seniors how to adjust and manage environmental factors to promote independent aging, Gallatin County Cooperative Extension Service taught "Stand Up to Falling" to 15 participants. Post-session evaluations revealed that as a direct result of this program: 89 percent understood how to reduce the risk of falling; 56 percent planned to make changes to their home to reduce the risk of falling; 100 percent

planned to be more physically active regarding strength, balance and flexibility; and 100 percent learned how to safely get up from a fall. In addition, the Keep Moving Group for seniors now meets three times weekly throughout the year at the extension office for 45-minute exercise/flexibility sessions.





#### **OUR FAMILIES**

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

- 26.5% (+/- 10.0) families with related children were below poverty
- 17.7% (+/- 12.8) of those over the age of 65 were below poverty

#### In addition:

- 23.2% (+/- 2.3) of those ages 18-64 did not have health insurance in 2010<sup>4</sup>
- 144 children on average received Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP) benefits in 2010<sup>5</sup>
- 1,933 people received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in 2012<sup>6</sup>

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

- 550 people were reached on the importance of physical activity.
- 100 people demonstrated informed decision making skills.
- 35 people reported eating more healthy foods.

#### **OUR COMMUNITY**

#### In Gallatin County:

- 42.0% of births were to mothers who received early and regular prenatal care in 2009<sup>7</sup>
- 58.0% of ordered child support was collected in 2011 8

Of the **3** primary care physicians in Gallatin County:<sup>9</sup>

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

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

- 85 people are involved in addressing community
- 120 people increased awareness of how to manage current economic events.
- 135 people were able to utilize new decisionmaking skills for health.



#### **OUR HEALTH**

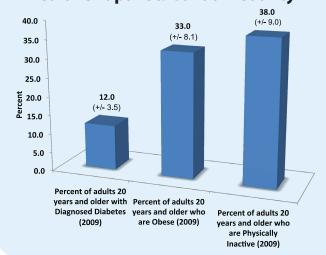
According to the Kentucky BRFSS, in 2010 in Gallatin County's Northern Kentucky Area Development District:10

- 65.8% (58.8 72.7) women age 40 and over had a mammogram in the past two years, compared to 69.9% (67.7 - 72.2) in the state
- 85.5% (82.1 88.9) of adults reported their health as good, compared to **78.5%** (**77.1 - 79.8**) in the state
- 45.5% (39.9 51.1) of adults reported having received a flu vaccine in the past year

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

- 1,400 people increased knowledge of diet and exercise changes to improve health.
- 110 people made diet or exercise changes to improve health.
- 500 people experienced a change in knowledge of healthy home practices and stress management.

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



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