



### **HENRY COUNTY**

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# **BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES**

**FOR KENTUCKY 2014** 

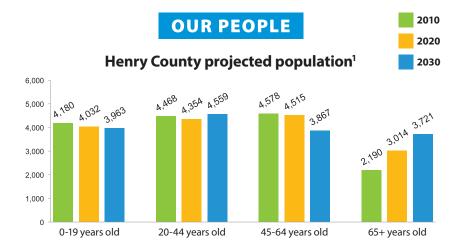


### **OUR FOCUS**

Family and Consumer Sciences Extension is committed to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families in Henry 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 2012-2013, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made **15,779** contacts with Henry County individuals and families.<sup>2</sup>



# **SPOTLIGHT ON ...**

# HVING WELL

uring a five-year period in Henry County, 104 seniors over the age of 65 were injured in a fall; five of those died and 61 were admitted to skilled nursing for restorative care. The associated cost of such falls is predicted to be about \$54 billion by 2020. The Henry County Extension Service provided "A Matter of Balance" fall prevention program, the "Living Well - More than a Cookbook" curriculum, and the AARP Driver Safety Course in an effort to lessen the impact of this problem. Thirty individuals met about 50 times over the year to give participants a leg up on fall prevention and fall recovery regardless of age, ability, or condition and focus on prevention as a major strategy to reduce health care costs.

http://hes.uky.edu/StrongFamilies



# **FAMILY ACCESS**

According to the 2007-2011 American Community Survey,3 in Henry County...

- 28.2% (+/- 5.4) of families with children were below poverty
- 12.0% (+/- 3.7) of those ages 65 and over were below poverty
- 24.5% (+/- 2.7) of households had retirement income
- 7.3% (+/- 1.9) of households had no vehicle

The USDA Food Environment Atlas<sup>4</sup> indicates that in 2010. Henry County had 1,282 people, 310 children and 171 seniors with low access to a supermarket or large grocery store.\*

In addition, **424** residents had **both** low income **and** low access to stores.

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

- 165 people demonstrated an increase in practical living skills.
- 69 people increased leadership knowledge and skills.
- 128 people were involved in addressing community

# **COMMUNITY AVAILABILITY**

In 2011, Henry County had:

- 4 Grocery stores (any kind)<sup>5</sup>
  - 3 Grocery/supermarkets (except convenience)5
  - 1 Convenience store (i.e. food marts no gas)<sup>5</sup>
- 9 Gasoline stations with convenience stores<sup>5</sup>

In the county, there were:

- 9 Roadside markets that served the county<sup>6</sup>
- 3 Farmers market locations<sup>7</sup>
- 16 SNAP\*\* authorized stores (food stamps)<sup>4</sup>
- 3 WIC\*\*\* authorized stores<sup>4</sup>

In 2011, there were \$80,589.33 in SNAP redemptions/per SNAP authorized store in Henry County.4

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

- 110 people made lifestyle changes to improve health.
- 610 people increased knowledge of healthy food consumption.
- 270 people reached with information on accessing healthy foods.

### **FOOD ASSISTANCE**

In Henry County...

- 1,083 was the average monthly number of children who received SNAP\*\* (food stamps) in 2011, up from 807 children in 2007 (up 34.2%).9
- **56.0%** of students attending public schools were eligible for free or reduced-price meals.9
- There were 1,222 SNAP cases and the monthly SNAP benefit level was \$287.00.8

Henry County is served by Dare to Care Food Bank of the Ky. Assoc. of Food Banks.10

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

- 20 people supplemented their diets with healthy foods they produced or preserved.
- 1,200 people were reached with information on eating healthy foods.
- 750 youth increased their knowledge of healthy food consumption.

#### **HOUSEHOLD INCOME**

Median household income in past 12 months by age of householder in Henry County  $(2007-2011)^3$ 



- Kentucky State Data Center Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service Reporting, FY 2013 2007-2011 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
- <sup>4</sup> USDA, Economic Research Service. <a href="http://www.ers.usda.gov/data-products/food-environment-atlas.aspx">http://www.ers.usda.gov/data-products/food-environment-atlas.aspx</a>
  <sup>5</sup> US Dept of Commerce. County Business Patterns. 2011.

- Kentucky Farm Bureau. https://www.kyfb.com/federation/markets Kentucky Dept. of Agriculture Farmer's Market directory. http://www.kyagr.com/marketing/farmers-market-directory.aspx
- 8 Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services. Data Book
- June, 2013. http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/data\_book.htm

  Rids Count Data Center, KY Youth Advocates.

  Kentucky Association of Food Banks. http://www.kafb.org
- \* Low access is defined as more than 10 miles in a rural area
- and more than 1 mile in an urban area.

  \*\* Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

  \*\*\* The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women,
- Infants and Children

