BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES IN GRAYSON COUNTY

OUR FOCUS
Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Extension is committed to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families throughout Kentucky. Our educational programs focus on making healthy lifestyle choices, nurturing families, embracing life as we age, securing financial stability, promoting healthy homes and communities, accessing nutritious food, and empowering community leaders.

OUR SUCCESS
In 2016-2017, Cooperative Extension made 16,682 contacts with individuals and families in Grayson County.¹

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A HEALTHIER KENTUCKY
Making healthy lifestyle choices

Easy access to unhealthy foods, increased stress, and limited opportunities for physical activity all create challenges and barriers for Kentucky families in making healthy lifestyle choices. Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Extension programming through the University of Kentucky teaches families to improve health and well-being by choosing a nutritious diet, increasing health literacy to help prevent chronic diseases, or participating in regular physical activity. Our goal is to equip citizens with the knowledge, resources, and an environment where the healthy choice is the easy choice.

Number of farmers market locations by Kentucky county²

- 0 (7 counties)
- 1-2 (73 counties)
- 3-4 (34 counties)
- 5-7 (4 counties)
- 8+ (2 counties)

¹ Cooper Extension Service | Agriculture and Natural Resources | Family and Consumer Sciences | 4-H Youth Development | Community and Economic Development
### Food Environment

#### OUR COUNTY
- Grayson County had 4 supermarkets and other grocery stores and 27 convenience stores or gas stations with convenience stores in 2015.3
- According to Map the Meal Gap, in 2015, an estimated 4,240 individuals were food insecure in Grayson County.3
- Only 5.1% (12.0%-2.1%) of adults in Grayson County consumed five or more servings of fruits and vegetables per day between 2013-2015,5

#### OUR RESULTS
- 55 individuals reported eating more healthy foods.1
- 50 individuals prepared more healthy home-cooked meals.1

### Physical Environment

#### OUR COUNTY
- According to the CDC’s County Diabetes Atlas, 36.5% (42.1%-30.8%) of adults 18 years and over in Grayson County were obese between 2012 and 2014.6
- The Diabetes Atlas also reports that between 2012 and 2014, 33.6% (39.6%-28.3%) of adults in Grayson County reported no leisure-time exercise in the past month.6
- There were no fitness and recreation businesses in Grayson County in 2015.3

#### OUR RESULTS
- 55 individuals adopted physical activity practices.1
- Extension is involved in 2 healthy lifestyle coalitions.1

### Financial Environment

#### OUR COUNTY
- The median household income in Grayson County was $37,057 ($39,672-$34,442) in 2015.8
- In Grayson County, 887 was the average monthly number of infants and children assisted by WIC* in 2013.9
- In 2015, there were 4,609 SNAP/food stamp recipients.10
- 15.9% (+/-3.8%) of people age 65 and over were below poverty between 2011-201511 and 31.1% (37.3%-24.9%) of children ages 5-17 in families were below poverty in 2015.8
- Between 2011 and 2015, 5.8% (+/-1.9%) of full-time/full-year workers were below poverty.11

#### OUR RESULTS
- 90 individuals became more knowledgeable regarding ways to secure financial stability.1
- 50 individuals made changes to their diet and began exercising to improve their health.1

### Sources:
1. Kentucky Cooperative Extension Reporting, FY 2017
3. U.S. Census Bureau, 2015 County Business Patterns. (factfinder.census.gov)
4. Map the Meal Gap 2017. (map.feedingamerica.org)
5. Kentucky Health Facts. (www.kentuckyhealthfacts.org)
9. Kids Count Data Center. (datacenter.kidscount.org)
11. 2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau (factfinder.census.gov)
12. Margin of error: (+/-27%-38%)

* WIC is the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children for low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, and to infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk.