

Building Strong Families

IN CLARK COUNTY



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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 2018-2019, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made

14,318

contacts with individuals and families in Clark County.

SPOTLIGHT: CLARK COUNTY

Truth and Consequences: The Choice is Yours



Substance use and abuse issues continue to negatively impact families in the community. To address this issue, Clark County's FCS Extension partnered with other local agencies to organize Truth and Consequences: The Choice is Yours for 428 ninth-grade students. The program provides enrichment activities designed to show students the impact of getting involved with both illicit and legal substances through scenario-based role-playing. More than 90 percent of the community partners and volunteers reported gaining awareness of the impacts of substance use and abuse in the community as well as the resources available to address the issues. The event continues to affect students each year by providing them with a first-hand look at the realities and consequences of getting involved with substance abuse.

CLARK COUNTY'S EXTENSION PROGRAMMING COMMUNITY IMPACT

Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Extension professionals actively work to reach our goals by offering educational programs that serve to improve the quality of life for individuals and families in our commonwealth.

Clark County's FCS Extension programming in 2018-2019 led to the following results.



1,112
youth participated in local Extension programming.



in EBT, WIC, or senior benefits were redeemed at farmers' markets.



14,400 unteer hours were repor

volunteer hours were reported by FCS Extension program volunteers.



youth gained a better understanding of substance abuse.



1,456participants reported gaining knowledge.

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