

# Building Strong Families

### IN SIMPSON 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

8,481 contacts with individuals and families in Simpson County.

**SPOTLIGHT: SIMPSON COUNTY** 

# Get Active Simpson Challenge



In order to promote increased physical activity and its importance in our overall health and wellness, the Get Active Simpson (GAS) Program was developed by the Get Healthy Simpson Coalition and the Simpson County FCS Extension agent. Teams are formed and captains report to the FCS Extension agent the weekly totals for each team. With a total of 58 participants and six teams, the fourweek program netted 7,348 physical activity miles, which is counted as 15 minutes of continuous movement. Those who participated reported increased energy, more strength, and some weight loss or maintained weight. The community expects this challenge each spring and will be implementing a summer get moving program that will replicate the Get Active Simpson program in the 10-county area.

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



**858**youth reached through volunteers.



individuals made healthier eating choices.



volunteer hours were reported by FCS Extension program volunteers.



**7,548**miles were walked by program participants.



10,763
participants reported gaining knowledge.

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