

**University of Kentucky** College of Agriculture, Food and Environment *Cooperative Extension Service* 

# 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 2019-2020, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made

**144,189** direct and indirect contacts with individuals and families in Clark County.

## **SPOTLIGHT: CLARK COUNTY**

## Retirement planning workshop helps people prepare



Research shows that planning for retirement can be difficult and even stressful. Many people lack the financial education to know where to start to make a significant effort to plan for retirement. The Clark County Family and Consumer Sciences Extension agent, in collaboration with a local attorney and certified financial planner, offered a two-part program about preparing for retirement. The goals of the series were to teach about long-term retirement planning, understanding goals and investments, and preparing for the unexpected. We advertised the class to those who were in the retirement planning phase of their lives, typically younger than 60. Following the program, 70% of participants reported an increase in confidence in defining retirement goals, and more than half of the participants indicated feeling more prepared to start working on those goals.

## **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 2019-2020 led to the following results.





participants reported making positive behavior changes

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