

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

### **KENTUCKY COUNTY PROFILES**

# **Building** 2022 **Strong Families**

# IN GARRARD 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**

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In 2020-2021, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made

> **2,172** direct and **6,985**

indirect contacts with individuals and families in Garrard County.

### **SPOTLIGHT: GARRARD COUNTY**

# Virtual cooking school brings international flavor to youths



It was very difficult for our SNAP-Ed assistant to reach youth audiences during the pandemic. To connect with youths and provide cooking experiences, the Garrard County FCS Extension Office collaborated with school administrators and the Community Education Director. We set up a biweekly cooking school through Google Meets. We gave the Teen Cuisine curriculum an international makeover. Each week, we used or created recipes with a different country's flavors. The lessons included a demonstration of the recipe and information about the nutrition, preparation, and meal planning needed for each recipe. We sent the recipes directly to the participants before each class so they could buy the ingredients ahead of time. After the programming, parents reported that they and their children really liked it and that they would do it again.

### GARRARD 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. Garrard County's FCS Extension programming in 2020-2021 led to the following results.





recipe cards distributed throughout the community



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