### KENTUCKY COUNTY PROFILES

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## Building Strong Families

### IN JEFFERSON 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 2020-2021, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made

**17,855** direct and

21,815

indirect contacts with individuals and families in Jefferson County.

### **SPOTLIGHT: JEFFERSON COUNTY**

# Learning red flags can help you avoid being scammed



Fraud can happen to anyone. According to the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging 2019 Fraud Book, it is estimated that older Americans lose at least \$2.9 billion per year to financial exploitation schemes and scams. The best way to protect yourself from financial fraud and scams is to be aware of the tactics con artists use and learn to recognize red flags so you can avoid being tricked. To increase consumer knowledge on fraud and fraud prevention, the Jefferson County FCS Extension agent hosted a workshop titled Scam Red Flags and Avoiding Fraud for the Louisville Area Extension Homemakers. After the program, more than 85% of participants reported that they were able to understand the tricks and tactics a con artist might use and plan to report potential fraud and scams.

## JEFFERSON 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.

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



351

youths
participated in local
Extension programming



8,550

volunteer hours were reported by FCS Extension program volunteers



130

participants reported preparing more healthy homecooked meals



130

individuals made healthier eating choices



**40** 

pints of food were preserved



149

participants reported gaining knowledge

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