KENTUCKY COUNTY PROFILES

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Building Strong Families

IN MCCRACKEN COUNTY

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

475

direct and

8,387

indirect contacts with individuals and families in McCracken County.

SPOTLIGHT: MCCRACKEN COUNTY

Big Blue Goals 2021



Annually, Family and Consumer Sciences agents and staff see increased interest from clients in health-behavior choices around the new year. This year, in an effort to reach both current and new clients, FCS Extension rolled out a new 10-week program called Big Blue Goals. Participants chose between an online platform that could be operated from a smartphone, computer, or tablet, or traditional paper format. They received regular information about a variety of topics such as preparing meals at home, increasing physical activity, consuming fruits and vegetables, making sound financial decisions, living well, and increased relationship skills. Participants were rewarded with incentive items for their efforts and for their continued participation. Statewide, 1,497 individuals participated resulting in 337,124 minutes of physical activity.

MCCRACKEN 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.

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



765

Youths
participated in local
Extension programming



9,345

volunteer hours were reported by FCS Extension program volunteers



600

recipe cards distributed throughout the community



149

participants reported preparing more healthy homecooked meals



\$637

increase in sales because of Plate it Up!



606

individuals sought support from local community organizations

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