

## FLEMING COUNTY

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# BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR KENTUCKY



### OUR FOCUS

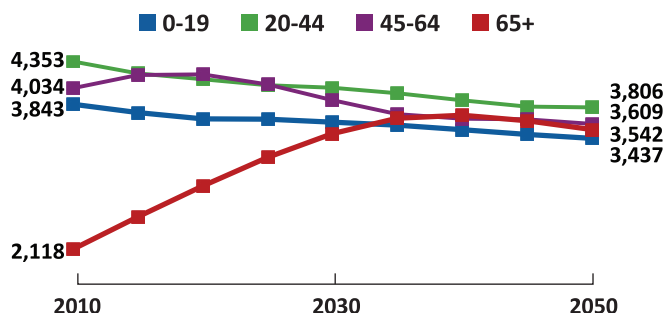
Family and Consumer Sciences Extension is committed to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families in Fleming County. To help families make wise decisions our educational programs focus on:

- **Making Healthy Lifestyle Choices** that influence health and well-being
- **Nurturing Families** as they cope with fewer resources and more demands
- **Embracing Life as We Age** to strive for independence longer
- **Securing Financial Stability** in a turbulent economic period
- **Promoting Healthy Homes and Communities** to recycle, reduce waste, and protect our environment
- **Accessing Nutritious Food** that is affordable, available and safe
- **Empowering Community Leaders** as we all work to sustain and improve our communities

In 2011-2012, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made **41,788** contacts with Fleming County individuals and families.<sup>2</sup>

### OUR PEOPLE

Population projections by age group for Fleming County<sup>1</sup>



### SPOTLIGHT ON ...

## DIVAS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

According to KY Health Facts, Fleming County youth have several challenges facing them, including smoking dangers, lack of physical activity, and oral health issues. With these statistics in mind, the Fleming County Cooperative Extension Service introduced an after-school program targeting fifth- and sixth-grade females called Healthy Divas in all Fleming County elementary schools. Results over the four-year time period for the 258 participants include: 75 percent are aware of health consequences of tobacco, drug, and alcohol misuse; 64 percent have started consuming more fruits and vegetables daily; 68 percent have increased physical activity time daily; and 85 percent have improved their grooming techniques. One parent sums up her child's change in behavior like this: "My child is exercising more, eating more vegetables, and has more pride in her body."



## OUR FAMILIES

According to the 2010 American Community Survey,<sup>3</sup> between 2006 and 2010 it is estimated that in Fleming County:



- **22.9% (+/- 7.7)** families with related children were below poverty
- **19.5% (+/- 5.7)** of those over the age of 65 were below poverty

### In addition:

- **25.5% (+/- 2.4)** of those ages 18-64 did not have health insurance in 2010<sup>4</sup>
- **320** children on average received Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP) benefits in 2010<sup>5</sup>
- **3,247** people received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in 2012<sup>6</sup>

### As a result of participating in Fleming County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **175** people reported spending time in physical activity.
- **625** people increased their knowledge about healthy foods.
- **210** people reported eating more healthy foods.

## OUR COMMUNITY

In Fleming County:

- **59.0%** of births were to mothers who received early and regular prenatal care in 2009<sup>7</sup>
- **52.0%** of ordered child support was collected in 2011<sup>8</sup>

Of the **8** primary care physicians in Fleming County:<sup>9</sup>

- **75.0%** are family practice
- **0.0%** are pediatricians
- **0.0%** are OB/GYN

### As a result of participating in Fleming County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **45** people are involved in addressing community issues.
- **75** people increased awareness of how to manage current economic events.
- **1,550** people were able to utilize new decision-making skills for health.

## OUR HEALTH

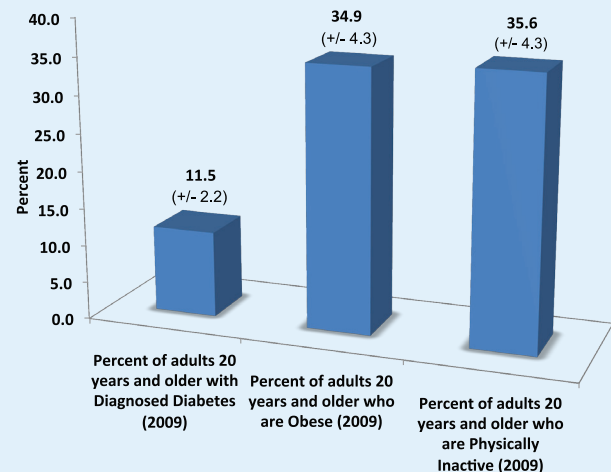
According to Kentucky Health Facts,<sup>10</sup> between 2008 and 2010 in Fleming County:

- **16.6% (11.5 - 23.5)** did not pursue health care due to cost, compared to **18% (17.0 - 18.6)** in the state
- **26.0% (20.2 - 32.7)** of adults reported their health status as less than good, compared to **23% (22.0 - 23.6)** in the state
- **40.4% (33.8 - 47.3)** of adults reported having received a flu vaccine in the past year

### As a result of participating in Fleming County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **321** people increased knowledge of diet and exercise changes to improve health.
- **125** people in Stand Up to Falling plan to be more physically active to prevent falls.
- **275** people experienced a change in knowledge of healthy home practices and stress management.

## Health Snapshot: Fleming County<sup>11</sup>



### SOURCES

- <sup>1</sup> Kentucky State Data Center
- <sup>2</sup> Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, Impact Reporting, FY2012
- <sup>3</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
- <sup>4</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates
- <sup>5</sup> Kids Count Data Center, Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services
- <sup>6</sup> Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Data Book, June 2012
- <sup>7</sup> Kids Count Data Center, Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
- <sup>8</sup> Kids Count Data Center, Kentucky Division of Child Support
- <sup>9</sup> Kentucky Health Facts, Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure
- <sup>10</sup> Kentucky Health Facts, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
- <sup>11</sup> Centers for Disease Control, National Diabetes Surveillance System

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