



DID YOU KNOW... The Pike County 4-H Program distributed over 6,000 activity kits into the community and area schools





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Agriculture and Natural Resources



Pikeville Master Gardeners demonstrating hydroponics at the AppHarvest Program.

Number of Master Gardener hours completed in county

Number of people gaining knowledge on establishing and maintaining pollinator habitats

Pikeville Master Gardeners group has been organized for more than 15 years. A first for the group was an online master gardener class with the individual applicants attending from their homes. The master gardeners mainly worked outside due to COVID-19. Several of the members worked to maintain and expand the demo garden at the Extension Office. Various flowers, fruits, and vegetables were grown to demonstrate that it does not take acres to produce food. Raised beds and ground beds were demonstrated and a block composting bin was installed. The master gardeners assisted with the AppHarvest program, keeping it running and demonstrating growing lettuces hydroponically in a specially equipped trailer. This was to keep ready for the AppHarvest Summer Camp. The group allowed for the granddaughter of one of the master gardeners to work with them and she showed them how to video the garden for use with educating the public in the future.

Family and Consumer Sciences

462

186

In Pike County, a total of 29 individuals participated in Big Blue Goals. Evidence shows that individuals who engage in physical activity have improved physical and mental health outcomes. Individuals that consume meals at their residence consume overall healthier foods and more appropriate portion sizes. In addition to preparing meals at home, 71% of respondents indicated that they supplemented their meals with food they grew, caught, or preserved themselves. During the challenge, 100% of respondents reduced expenses or managed money effectively. As a result of participating in this challenge, participants saved \$3,265. Respondents used information received to establish consistent sleep habits, took time to care for themselves, drank recommended amounts of water daily, and took precautions to prevent injuries in their homes. One participant said, "Perfect way to start a new year on track!"



FCS agent Leslie Workman prepares educational kits for Big Blue Goals program participants to reinforce their wellness learning.



Number of individuals more likely to buy a Kentucky fruit or vegetable as a result of receiving a Plate It Up! Kentucky Proud recipe card or sampling a recipe



Dollars reported saved as a result of participating in a financial education program

Community Economic Development



This family proudly displays the artworks they created together during a Pike Arts Facebook Live online art class.

Number of participants reporting an understanding of quality artistic experiences

Number of volunteer hours rendered toward Extension arts activities

Pike County Extension Fine Arts distributed on-the-go art kits to provide projects and resources to county residents during the COVID-19 pandemic. Kits included STEAM projects, pumpkins painting, and supplies for our Facebook Live painting classes. Fine Arts partnered with CEDIK and WestCare Rehabilitation Center to successfully test a seven-week grant funded pilot arts program. The program, MindCArt.Recover.KY. (MARK), utilized art journaling in an evidence-based therapeutic way to assist people undergoing drug addiction recovery. Art on the Plaza, an outdoor series of art workshops taught by talented, local artisans, took place during the summer. Appalachian Symphony and Mountain Dulcimer Workshop provided free musical lessons once or twice a week, while social distancing. Artists Collaborative Theatre won the Governor's Award in the Arts and a national award for best stage combat at AACTFest 2021 for their production of Blood Song.

4-H Youth Development

285

882

The Pike County Extension Council identified life skills as a need for Pike County. During the Pandemic, we have served our clientele through 6,000 plus kits. From art to woodworking, we gave out life skills teaching kits for youth adults. Once the vaccine have been administered, we have been invited into the schools during March for 4-H clubs in 50% of the former classroom clubs. To date, we have 1,800 youth registered for 4-H Club membership. As one teacher commented, "4-H is essential; our youth need 4-H." Ruby Smith Hall recommends Pike County 4-H, "The 4-H club is a wonderful club for our children. It's developed not only for all ages but for various levels of development and various interests. Projects are made for education and fun. I truly believe that we have the best Extension Directors and organization members in the world." 4-H is making best better through teaching life skills and preparing our youth for the work force.



Pictured is a participant of the 4â€'H STEM Challenge, an annual initiative to inspire kids everywhere to take an interest in science, technology, engineering, and math through hands-on learning.



Number of hours of service contributed by 4-H volunteers



Number of youth who received education related to diversity and inclusivity (KOSA) in 4-H leadership programs

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- **23,971** Kentucky youth who participated in a project, activity or event in science, engineering and technology through 4-H programming.
- **4,890** Kentucky producers adopting new technologies in agriculture production.
- **3,399** Kentuckians who improved or maintained health from participating in gardening.
- **3,898** Kentucky families who supplemented their diets with foods they grew or preserved.
- 4,161 Kentuckians participating in community trail projects.

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