UT and TSU Extension
Sullivan County | 2013

We provide education…
that produces solutions to societal, economic and environmental issues. We teach Tennesseans in the places they live, work and play through hundreds of programs. Our efforts are based on local needs, research and a commitment to improve the quality of life.

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<th>Reaching Sullivan County</th>
<th>Number of methods</th>
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<td>Meetings/Demonstrations</td>
<td>1353</td>
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<td>Client Visits</td>
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<td>Targeted Mail/Telephone Consultations</td>
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<td>On-site Visits</td>
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In 2010, for every $1 in public funds invested in UT Extension, $9.49 is returned to the people of Sullivan County.

Homeowners Helped
- 23 Master Gardeners learned about gardens, soil, pesticide safety, etc. in the 16 sessions.
- 94 Master Gardeners, and other gardeners, participated in projects at schools and in various communities, contributing 4100 volunteer hours at a value of $82,000. Four garden coordinators reported 13,500 pounds of produce harvested and donated to organizations.

- 278 home gardeners attended 15 gardening programs conducted by UT Extension Master Gardeners.
- Grafting workshops resulted in 2,150 trees grafted with a success rate of 75%; attendees benefitted by 1,612 fruit trees with a value of the trees at $32,250. 120 trees were planted in 7 orchards; participants reported receiving $6500 from fruit sales.
- 41 plant disease and insect problems were diagnosed for gardeners and professionals.

Improved Production
- 24 beef producers attended Beef Quality Assurance Training sessions to qualify for $304,100 TN AG Enhancement Grants.
- Co-sponsored a multi-county Cow-Calf Conference with nationally known speakers.
- Conducted a program on pinkeye prevention and treatment in beef cattle.
- Submitted 160 soil samples and 8 forage samples to UT Extension for processing, allowing producers to make better informed decisions concerning soil fertility and forages.
- Coordinated a two-day beef cattle tour for 28 beef producers to the Central Kentucky Region.
- 5 farmers were certified or recertified as Private Pesticide Applicators.
- 38 small landowners participated in a workshop focusing on making land profitable with an economic benefit of $35,600.
Improved Quality of Life

- Conducted “Wellness Wednesday” for 12 weeks with 59 participants. Participants learned about food labels, portion control, etc. Thirty-nine participants completed the program and lost 440 pounds and walked 128,300 miles.
- “Can it Right” and a food preservation fair was held with 42 participants learning safe food preservation methods.
- 250 Sullivan County employees learned “How to Lower Sodium” in their diet and “Healthy Eating in the Workplace” at work sites.
- Agent is serving on “Healthy Kingsport” Committee as part of the Governor’s Healthy Tennessee. A needs assessment was completed; thus, aiding in receiving grant dollars and impacting lives through education.
- 303 men and women participated in a networking endeavor with the Sullivan County Health Department with health screenings with a value of $900,000+ to the participants. 93% of the participants reported they learned new health related information.

Families and Individuals Strengthened

- Family and Consumer Education Club (FCE) members volunteered 27,000 hours, benefiting 37,494 Sullivan County residents with a value of $597,000.00 utilizing the National Volunteer rate.
- 13 4-hour co-parenting classes were taught with 106 participants.

Tennessee Nutrition and Consumer Education Program (TNCEP)

- TNCEP coalition members, and others, volunteered hours which resulted in 161.12 percent of our in-kind match with a value of $36,447.
- A Family Food Fair was held with 200 residents at Riverview Community. Participants learned new cooking skills and food safety skills. 14 other agencies worked with UT Extension, resulting in 180 hours volunteered and $4342 in in-kind.

4-H Youth Developed

UT/TSU Extension taught life skills to 1,683 4-H youth who participated in 77 clubs and 3 project groups during the 2013 program year.

Education Gained

- Youth learned about energy, technology, financial management, citizenship, leadership, and livestock projects through day camps, real life simulations, animal shows and project competitions.
- Sullivan County 4-H members were active on local, county, regional and state levels. Two members were state project finalists.
- 5 Junior High members were selected to attend State Academic Conference at UTK.
- 122 improved photography skills through participation in the 4-H Photo Search. 3 photos were selected as State Winners.
- 15 4-H members participated in regional competitions in wildlife and livestock judging. The Jr. High livestock team placed 1st of 18 teams in Knoxville.
- 78 learned financial management in “On My Own” simulations.
- 77 teams from 19 county schools learned about Tennessee History, Agriculture, Family Consumer Sciences and 4-H through the 4-H Clover Bowl. The 5th grade team was regional champions (1st). The 4th and 6th grade teams were reserve champions (2nd).

Citizenship & Leadership Skills Gained

- Collected plastic for “Bags to Benches” project; resulting in diversion of 583 pounds of plastic from local landfills and a new composite bench at a value of $500.
- 25 members participated in 4-H Honor Club with 3 new initiates.
- Two senior members became State 4-H healthy lifestyle ambassadors.
- 12 members completed project portfolios.

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