



Goodhue County

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OCTOBER 3, 2023
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Veteran's Service Office Presentation

Documents:

[2023.6 report.pdf](#)

Goodhue County Extension Report 2022-2023

Documents:

[County Board Presentation 10-3-23.pdf](#)

MID-YEAR REPORT

VETERAN SERVICES



VETERAN INTERACTIONS

2022 (01/01 – 12/31)

- Phone Calls: 7606
 - IT report
- In-Person: 540
 - Vet Pro
- VetPro tracking did not begin until August 2022

2023(01/01 – 06/01)

VetPro Tracking

- Phone Calls: 3606
- Emails: 636
- In Person: 516
- Faxes: 327
 - We use this to track Submittals
- Mail: 160
- Unspecified: 155
 - We use this to track claims check-ins
- Total: 5400

CLAIMS RESULTS

Compensation Awards: 67

DIC Pension Awards: 6

Pension Awards: -

Survivor's Pension Awards: -

Compensation Denials: 24

Claims in Progress: 113

Success Rate: **74%**

Awards	#	%	Amount
0%	7	10%	\$ -
10%	7	10%	\$ 165.92
20%	1	1%	\$ 327.99
30%	2	3%	\$ 508.05
40%	6	9%	\$ 731.86
50%	3	4%	\$1,041.82
60%	4	6%	\$1,319.65
70%	6	9%	\$1,663.06
80%	6	9%	\$1,933.15
90%	4	6%	\$2,172.39
100%	21	31%	\$3,621.95
Total	67		

Award	Amount
DIC Pension	\$1,562.73
Pension	Variable
Survivor's Pension	Variable

IMPACT ON GOODHUE COUNTY ECONOMY

Previous Amount	New Amount	Difference	
\$ 36,268.35	\$ 131,663.67	\$ 95,395.32	Monthly
		\$ 1,144,743.84	Annually



Goodhue County Extension Report 2022-2023



Local Memorandum of Agreement

- Local 4-H Youth Development Program
 - 2 FTE 4-H Extension Educators - Aly Kloeckner & Rachel Danielson
- Extension Office Operations & 1.0 FTE Extension Administrative Support - Dani Rice

Additional Program Presence

- Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Program
- Access to Extension Resources on Parenting, Natural Resources, Food Sciences, Leadership and Civic Engagement, Agronomy, SNAP-Education, Horticulture, Forestry, Business Retention, Tourism, Animal Sciences, Financial Literacy, Agribusiness, Water Resources, Clean Energy and more

Friday, September 29, 2023

[LOCAL NEWS](#)

Red Wing to host entrepreneur conference



By [Melissa Thorud](#)

Published on Aug 18, 2022



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PRESS RELEASE: How does the Red Wing Holiday Stroll impact our local economy: UMN to collaborate with Red Wing Downtown Main Street to find out



The Mike and Rebekah Patterson family were the winners of the 2023 Goodhue County Farm Family of the Year. The family goes to church and school in Kenyon. (Photo courtesy of MN Pork Board)

4-H Program Reach

	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23
YOUTH	656	679	767	738	761	626	790	925
CLUBS	20	20	21	20	20	19	19	18
PARTNER PROGRAMS	-	-	-	1	1	0	2	4
ADULT VOLUNTEERS	145	163	206	232	241	160	166	190

Program Highlights



County Fair Recap

Exhibitor Information

- Total Exhibitors : 532
- Livestock Exhibitors: 426
- Static Exhibitors: 331

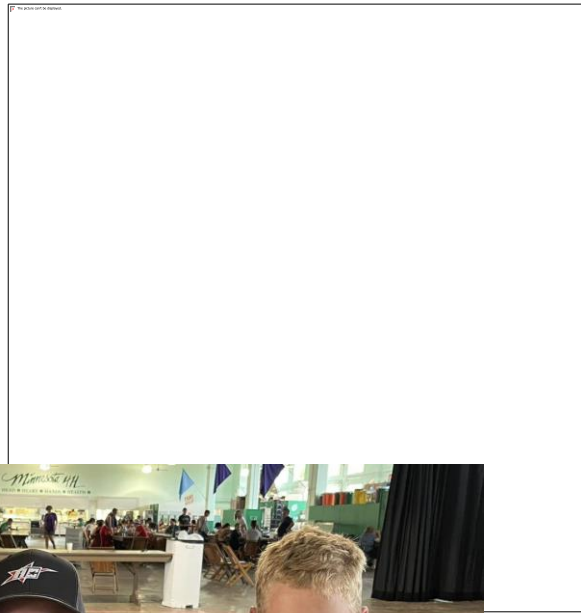


- Static Exhibits: 1,404
- Dog: 17
- Horse: 20

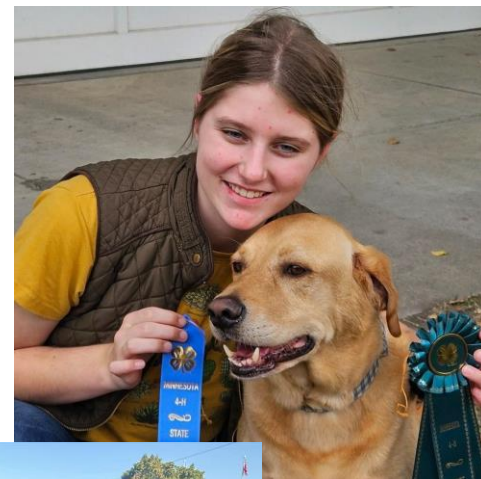
Livestock

- Beef: 160
- Dairy: 100
- Goat: 241
- Poultry: 141
- Rabbit: 70
- Sheep: 151
- Swine: 165

State Fair



State Dog, Horse and Shoot



Promotion

University of Minnesota Academic Promotion Process

- Professional and academic job classes, as well as tenure track faculty must complete the academic promotion process
- Aly submitted her 19 page promotion dossier in November of 2022. After internal and external review, it was accepted in May of 2023.

Promoted in the areas of Program Leadership,
Extension Teaching and Engagement



Aly Kloeckner
Associate Extension Educator

Grant Work - Youth Mental Wellbeing

Presenting Issue

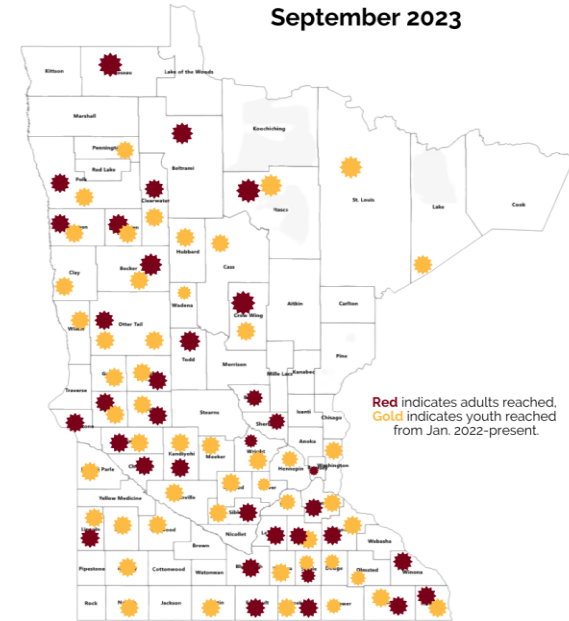
In 2021 the U.S. Surgeon General issued an advisory on the youth mental health crisis that was exposed by the Covid-19 pandemic. This reinforced the need for additional resources for youth workers and volunteers working with our young people. The Minnesota Department of Agriculture's "Bend, Don't Break" initiative was to build upon existing efforts to connect rural Minnesotans with resources to help reduce stress, anxiety, and crisis situations.

Why Extension?

Youth development professionals and volunteers must be equipped to meet the needs of young people by recognizing the signs of stress and mental health issues and have the knowledge and skills to support them. Extension, through the Department of Youth Development, is uniquely positioned to reach volunteers and youth through the 4-H program to deliver programming to bolster mental health awareness, reduce stigma, and put resources in the hands of those who work with youth statewide.

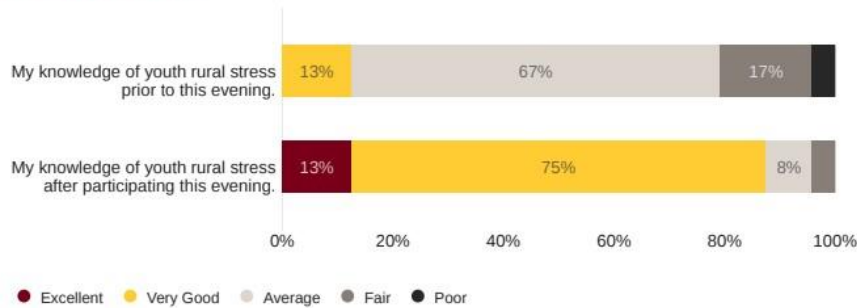
Extension's Programmatic Response

- Equip 4-H volunteers and youth with resources to actively build resilience in youth
- Engage in conversations and create an action plan to meet the mental health needs of youth, our next generation of rural community leaders
- Increase awareness for rural stress and its impacts on mental health, especially in youth
- Identify ways to recognize and respond to mental health needs in youth



Outcomes

Knowledge change



Participant Comments:

- *“I’m so happy 4-H is talking about mental health. It was common in conversations in my high school, but seemed stigmatized in 4-H.”*
- *“I know I take on more than I should during camp. Remembering to ask for help and rely on each other is important.”*

Broader Impacts

- Increased awareness of mental health and wellbeing
- Partnering with county health and human services to extend reach in Goodhue and Swift counties
- Grant funding enabled us to provide resources and tools to each county Extension office and 4-H program teams (Ex. camp/camp counselors)



4-H Outreach and Partner Program Efforts

Program Agreements

2021/2022 -

- Goodhue Wildcat Care
- Cannon Falls Cannon Kids.

2022/2023 -

- Goodhue Wildcat Care
- Pine Island Panther Pals
- Hispanic Outreach
- Cannon Falls Cannon Kids

Additional Outreach Efforts

- Cloverbud Connections
- County Summer Day Camps

4-H Outreach and Partner Program Outcomes

2021/2022

Goodhue Wildcat Care	55 youth enrolled via program agreement	41 youth not previously enrolled in 4-H
Cannon Falls Cannon Kids	113 youth enrolled via program agreement	108 youth not previously enrolled in 4-H 2 joined community clubs

4-H Outreach and Partner Program Outcomes

2022/2023

Goodhue Wildcat Care	36 Youth Enrolled via Program Agreement	30 Youth Not previously enrolled 2 joined Community Clubs
Cannon Falls Cannon Kids	106 Youth Enrolled via Program Agreement	100 Youth not previously enrolled
Pine Island Panther Pals	125 youth enrolled via Program Agreement	120 Youth not previously enrolled 1 joined Community Club
Hispanic Outreach	31 youth enrolled via program agreement	31 youth not previously enrolled

4-H Outreach and Partner Program Outcomes

2022/2023

Day Camps	We hosted 7 summer day camps and 72 youth attended	8 were new to the 4-H program
Cloverbud Connections	We hosted 3 Cloverbud Connections and 16 youth attended	

4-H Outreach



Extension Master Gardener Program Update







Master Gardener Volunteer Program

Master Gardeners by the numbers

- 36 Master Gardener Volunteers
- 6 Interns in 2023
- 2022 volunteer hours in Goodhue County - 1,775
 - 2023 YTD: 769
- 3 prospective interns for 2024

Community Partnerships

- Prairie Island - Elder Garden
- Habitat for Humanity - landscaping for houses in Pine Island and Red Wing
- Red Wing Public Library - 4 programs and installation of 3 gardens

Master Gardener Volunteers at Work



Master Gardeners Volunteers worked with the City of Red Wing to coordinate post flood cleanup in the Discovery Garden. Volunteers worked throughout the summer to keep the gardens maintained.



Master Gardener Volunteers joined the Girl Scouts at Frontenac State Park to help the Girl Scouts identify trees and plants within the park and the roles these plants play within the park's ecosystem.

Family, Health and Wellbeing

Extension is attending Goodhue County Food Access network monthly meetings and sharing resources as needed.

Extension has representation on the board of directors for Hispanic Outreach of Goodhue County.

Looking Ahead:

- Hailey Mattson, our NEW SNAP-Ed Health and Wellness Coordinator housed in Rice County is covering Rice, Steele, Goodhue, Waseca and LeSueur Counties
- Supershelf Transformation Opportunity
- Mental Health First Aid Training in Spanish



Thank you for your partnership and support!

County Extension Committee Members

- Chuck Schwartau
- Bonnie Mann
- Brian Flom
- Sherri Betcher
- Lydia Anderson
- Jim Nelson
- Bob Eppen
- Commissioner Anderson
- Commissioner Greseth
- Justin Kent, Auditor's Designee & Veteran Service Officer

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