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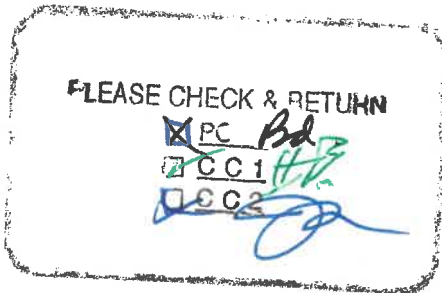
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County Administrator

Megan Applegate
Executive Assistant

COUNTY COMMISSION

Greene County, Missouri

(417) 868-4112



GREENE COUNTY COMMISSION SESSION
Greene County Historic Court House
940 Boonville Room 212
Springfield, Missouri
9:30 a.m.
March 2, 2020

Commissioners Present: Bob Dixon, Harold Bengsch and John Russell.

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner John Russell.

Approval of Minutes from February Court Session: Commissioner Harold Bengsch moved to approve the February minutes as presented. Commissioner John Russell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Yes: Dixon, Bengsch and Russell.

(EX1) 2020 Census Update, Jason Ray (SMCOG):

- Power point presented and highlighted.

Missouri Job Center Update: Crystal Irons:

- Highlighted the Small Business Development center and how they help the community.
- Commissioners presented the

(EX2) Missouri Extension Center Report: David Burton:

- Presented 2019 Annual Report.
- Presented March 2020 Reaching Out report and highlighted.

Top Branch Awards:

- Justin Foss, GIS.
- Trevor Galyon, Greene County Sheriff's Office.

Department Head Updates:

County Administrator Report—Chris Coulter:

- ME's Office working towards accreditation.
- Update on Pretrial, new officer starts today.

(EX3) Highway Department Report—Rick Artman:

- Provided February monthly report and gave highlights of each crew.

(EX4) Office of Emergency Management – Larry Woods:

- Provided February Monthly report and gave highlights.
- Update on building usage YTD.

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Resource Management Report—Kevin Barnes:

- Update on Planning and Zoning and Building Regulations for the month of February.

County Geologist/Cave Specialist – Matt Forin:

- Pearson Creek Project update.

(EX5) Joel Binkley-Planning Zoning

A. OLD BUSINESS

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Request Amendment to PAD 1596, Planning Board Case Number 2090, SSI Holdings, LLC and Mustain Investments Inc, c/o Greg Mustain, applicant:

- Planning board and staff recommended approval with conditions in the February hearing.
- No one spoke in favor of case number 2090.
- No one spoke in opposition of case number 2090.
- Commissioner Harold Bengsch moved to approve case number 2090, with conditions as presented. Commissioner John Russell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Yes: Dixon, Bengsch and Russell.

2. Request Rezoning, Planning Board Case Number 2092, Aleksey and Svetlana Miroshnichenko, applicants:

- Planning board and staff recommended approval in the February hearing.
- No one spoke in favor of case number 2092.
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- Commissioner John Russell moved to approve planning board case number 2092. Commissioner Harold Bengsch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Yes: Dixon, Bengsch and Russell.

3. Request Rezoning, Planning Board Case Number 2093, Anthony Park, LLC, c/o Derek Lee of Lee Engineering & Associates, LLC, applicant:

- Planning board and staff recommended approval in the February hearing.
- No one spoke in favor of case number 2093.
- No one spoke in opposition of case number 2093.
- Commissioner Harold Bengsch moved to approve case number 2093. Commissioner John Russell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Yes: Dixon, Bengsch and Russell.

C. OTHER BUSINESS

D. OTHER BUSINESS

Public Comment:

With no other business the meeting was adjourned.

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Public Comment:

Reaching Out Report



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Council Meetings

Monday, Feb. 24: at noon inside the Botanical Center. Lunch is provided for \$5. Election of officers. Guest speaker: David Burton on "Leadership Programs."

Monday, Feb. 30: at noon inside the Botanical Center. Lunch provided for \$5. Guest speaker: TBA

Dual Lawrence and Greene Council Meeting: Tuesday, April 21. TBA

KOLR-10 Spots

Extension specialists are on KOLR-TV10 mid-day TV show on the following dates:
Monday, March 2, March 16 & March 30

Kelly McGowan is on KOLR every Thursday.

Social Media

Be watching for videos, updates and event announcements on the Greene County Extension Council Facebook page and our YouTube channel MUEExtension417.



Staff at the Small Business Development Center in Springfield include (left to right): Tara Horton, business development specialist; Chrystal Irons, director of the SBDC at Missouri State University; Sandra Smart, business development specialist; Lance Coffman, business development specialist; and Darrell Hampsten, business development specialist at the SBDC in West Plains. Not shown but also working from the Springfield office is Allen Waldo, a PTAC Specialist for the University of Missouri (featured in story on page 3).

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Featured Programs in 2020 *Reaching Out Report*

Each monthly issue of the *Reaching Out Report* will focus on one MU Extension specialist or educator serving Greene County. Their programs and impacts will be featured that one month. The following is the planned list.

March 2020 – SBDC Report for 2019 – Chrystal Irons

April 2020 – Kelly McGowan, horticulture

May 2020 - Andy McCorkill and Eldon Cole (livestock)

June 2020 – Kelsa Ferguson, nutrition education

July 2020 – Amber Allen, human development

August 2020 – Sherri Hull and Marty Wood and Myra Dickensheet, nutrition educators

October 2020 – Tim Schnakenberg, agronomy

November 2020 – Karla Deaver 4-H programming

December 2020 – Amy Patillo, workforce development

January 2021— David Burton, community development

February 2021— Justin Kastning, 4-H

March 2021 – Nutrition program—Terri Fossett

Foxhole Technology of Springfield Gets Government Contract With Help from PTAC Counselor at SBDC

After serving in the army for 27 years, Wes Hester wasn't ready to stop serving his community upon retirement. In 2007, Hester decided to start his own IT Technology engineering firm, Foxhole Technology.

By 2008, he was ready to open his doors and provide cybersecurity to the US Department of Defense, as well as other federal and civilian agencies. Now, his team maintains 24/7 cyber hygiene and security for organizations all over the world, including the US Department of Education. Hester also employs many veterans, giving them the chance to continue aiding their country together.

"We have a passion for delivering critical mission assets, much like we did when we were in uniform," Hester said. "We were founded to provide those mission-critical capabilities to our warfighters and to our peacekeepers."

Before he could get started, however, he knew he needed help. He had the technology aspect covered, but knew nothing about business development and networking. After doing tons of research, a mentor recommended the Missouri Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) in Springfield, Missouri.

He worked with Allen Waldo, who provided counseling and information on taking advantage of veteran-owned business opportunities.

Hester worked to receive his Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business certification and got started attending networking events. PTAC helped him understand accounting and made seminar and training suggestions.

"It's been great," Hester said. "I think the quality of people [at PTAC] is really good and dynamic. I recommend it to any and every small business."

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Allen Waldo
PTAC specialist
405 N Jefferson
Springfield, Mo
Tel: 417-837-2612



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One of the biggest things PTAC was able to help Hester with before officially opening Foxhole Technology was comprehending federal contracts. Waldo explained the mechanics of federal contracting, cost proposals, and the price to win strategy.

Because of the strong building blocks Hester received from PTAC, Foxhole Technology has been able to expand to having employees in 18 states and overseas with their headquarters in Fairfax, Virginia. Along with cybersecurity, the company also specializes in testing and evaluation, program acquisition and management, and systems and software engineering, among other things. They also develop and maintain programs that can analyze big amounts of complicated data and put it into comprehensible information.

Foxhole Technology has not seen the end of its growth.

Foxhole Technology has not seen the end of its growth. Despite struggles concerning industry change and a shrinking pipeline of trained professionals, they are making changes to combat every challenge.

As Hester works to grow the company, he still meets with Waldo for guidance and help. PTAC continually finds new opportunities and training for Hester, and he knows he can go to them with questions and research assistance.

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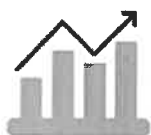
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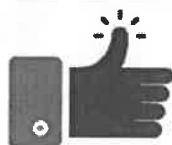
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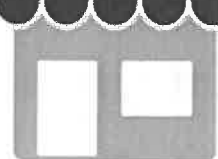


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FY2017 - FY2019 SBDC Counseling & Training
Clients by County - All Districts



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Veteran
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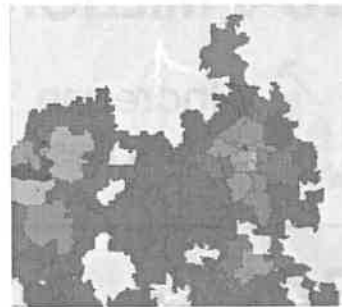


4,760+
Jobs
supported

91

Businesses started

FY2017 - FY2019 SBDC Counseling & Training
Clients by Zip Code - District 7



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- Session 2 **Learning to practice self-care and the dimensions of wellness**
- Session 3 **Time stress, mindfulness and recasting**
- Session 4 **The Iceberg of health and moving forward**



Contact Info

Amber Allen
amallen@missouri.edu

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or call 417.881.8909

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Mizzou & Community Leadership Network

Laura Farmer

Q&A: May 14 | 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

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- **Mizzou alum: Social Work degree 2007**
- **Recently nominated as Non-Profit Director of the Year in Southwest Missouri**



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MINUTES OF UNIVERSITY EXTENSION COUNCIL OF GREENE COUNTY

Date: Monday, January 27, 2020

Place: Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center, 2400 S Scenic Ave, Springfield, Missouri

Attendees: Larry Adams, Tony Ahart, Morgan Ash, Harold Bengsch, Greg Boehne, Karen Dowdy, Alex Greiwe, Tyler Gunlock, Joseph Hoffman, Chris Schulze and Rick Stenberg. 4-H Representative = Lauren Waterman

The meeting was called to order at 12:09 pm, by Council Vice-Chair, Greg Boehne, who welcomed those in attendance, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Secretary Morgan Ash called roll and it was determined that a quorum was present.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Harold ngsch and was seconded by Joseph Hoffman, to approve the Consent Agenda including the November meeting minutes, and the November Treasurer's report and bills to be paid for the month. Motion to approve passed by unanimous vote.

Staff Reports: Please see and share the Reaching Out Report. Kelly McGowan is working on a growing guide for Missouri and on growing trials for economic viability. She is also assisting with a grow it and eat it pizza club with Kelsa Ferguson for children. Maggie Black reports that plat book sales are going strong and it is donor time. A temporary, part-time employee through Express Employment will be in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays to help out. Amy Patillo is working on a strike force project and has completed 3 out of 6 focus groups. February 26th is a labor and workforce professionals conference. Kelsa Ferguson is presenting classes at Habitat for Humanity, Central Assembly, ARC of the Ozarks and has a Chronic Disease Class coming up. Amber Allen has a Boost Your Brain Class and Green Dot training in February and a Taking Care of You Class in April. Youth Mental Health First Aid is coming up soon. David Burton is taking registrations for Leadership Ash Grove and Leadership Republic. He awarded the monthly Squealing Pig Award to Ann Hall, who is wonderful to jump in and help out where needed. Extension received \$12,000.00 from campus for expenditures. The council election was held with everyone who was nominated elected.

Council Youth Representative Report: Lauren Waterman reported that planning for the March teen conference is finished. Executive Council nominations have been made. February 24th Temple Grandin is visiting Springfield and will be speaking.

Unfinished Business/Committee Reports:

Plat Books: There are still some books for sale.

Council Elections: **Tyler Gunlock moved to certify the Council**

Greene County Extension Council Members

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Morgan Ash
Secretary

Lisa Bakerink
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Harold Bengsch
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City of Springfield

Lauren Waterman
4-H Youth member

Members at large

Tony Ahart

Missy Hayward

Tyler Gunlock

Ann Hall

Scott Smith

Chad Courtney

Karen Dowdy

Chris Schulze

Rick Stenberg

Alex Greiwe

Larry Adams

Ray Meyer

Eric Sutton

Mike Lofaro
Tiger Ambassador

Extension Council

election results. Joseph Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

New Business:

Founders Day Event: The event will be held on February 10th at Relic's Event Center with program, dinner and informational displays and a topic of sports analytics.

2020 Budget Review: The proposed budget was reviewed and questions solicited.

Joseph Hoffman moved to pass the proposed budget and Alex Greiwe seconded the motion. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Meeting Tables: Tables owned by Extension Council are heavy and cumbersome. Parks wants to use different tables in the Botanical Center meeting space. Talks are in progress about a partnership to fund new tables which may be up to \$300.00 a piece. The current old ones are being offered for sale, with the buying party needing to pick them up.

Dual Meeting Possibility: Greene County is partnered with Lawrence County for state council report and area council feedback. There may be a dual meeting on April 21st.

Mizzou For You: March 30 & 31st there is an Extension Council workshop in Columbia, Missouri. Two Greene County Extension members will be funded for the workshop. Let David Burton know if you are interested.

Educational Program: No education programming this month.

Rick Stenberg moved to adjourn to closed session at 12:48 pm and Joseph Hoffman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Rick Stenberg moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:13 pm and Joseph Hoffman seconded the motion. The idea passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Morgan Ash

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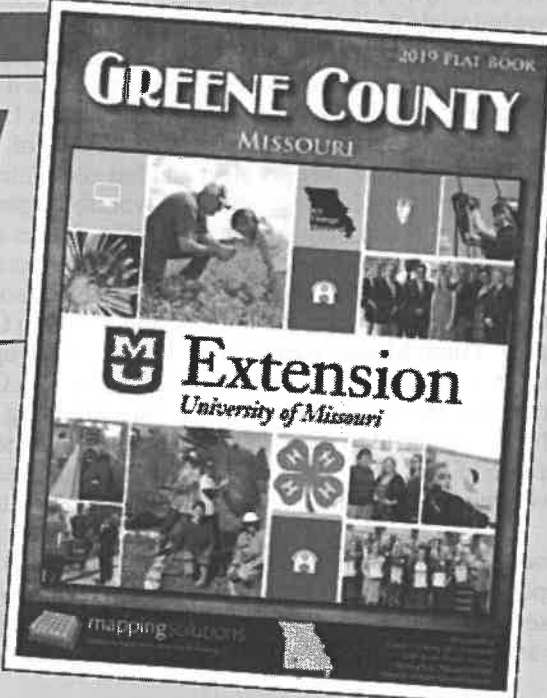
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CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION COUNCIL OF GREENE COUNTY

Date: Monday, January 27, 2020
Closed session started at 12:48 pm.

An employment review was conducted regarding council staff and performance improvements were discussed. A pay raise was recommended (up two levels per county schedule) along with an addition of donor relation duties. Donor calls would be made one day per week with an opportunity for a 5% commission. **A motion to approve the employee review and recommendation was made by Morgan Ash and was seconded by Tony Ahart. The motion passed unanimously.**

A motion to approve the council input on review of Justin Kastining was made by Joseph Hoffman and was seconded by Harold Bengsch. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the council input on review of David Burton was made by Tony Ahart and was seconded by Tyler Gunlock. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the council input on review of Amber Allen was made by Joseph Hoffman and was seconded by Rick Stenberg. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the council input on review of Kelsa Ferguson was made by Karen Dowdy and was seconded by Larry Adams. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the council input on review of Amy Patillo was made by Alex Greiwe and was seconded by Joseph Hoffman. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the council input on review of Kelly McGowan was made by Tyler Gunlock and was seconded by Tony Ahart. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to end closed session and to adjourn at 1:13 pm was made by Rick Stenberg and was seconded by Joseph Hoffman. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Morgan Ash

MINUTES OF UNIVERSITY EXTENSION COUNCIL OF GREENE COUNTY

Greene County Extension Annual Meeting &
Mizzou Founders Day Event

Date: Monday, February 10, 2020

Place: Relics Event Center, 2015 Battlefield Road,
Springfield, Missouri

Attendees: Please see event registration list.

The combined event started at 6:00pm, with introductions and a welcome by Greg Cole, President of the Greater Ozarks Chapter of the Mizzou Alumni Association. Attendees were released for the meal.

Presentation: At 6:32 pm, David Burton gave a speech entitled, "2019 Success Stories for MU Extension in Greene County," recapping the programs and accomplishments of extension during the past year. He introduced the specialists and the topics that they cover. An award was presented to Chair, Jason Whitesell, for his service. Jason Whitesell called the business portion of the meeting to order at 6:46 pm. The Leaders Honor Roll was awarded to Tom Kissee, supporter of Extension programming and to Carl Redmon, Master Gardener. The oath of office was administered by Shane Shoeller, County Clerk, to the 9 council members. Student speaker Lynn Kreul, from Republic, Missouri and senior at University of Missouri and president of the Alumni Association Student Board spoke on what MU has provided to her. Dr. Chris Wikle and Dr. Erin Schliep, from the College of Arts and Science spoke on sports analytics and the development of a certificate program through the university. Todd McCubbin, Executive Director of Mizzou Alumni, spoke on, "Three Things You Can Do For Mizzou." He highlighted how MU makes a daily impact and asked for help sending MU students, sharing the news and asked for campus visits to see what is going on. Greg Cole, President of the Greater Ozarks Chapter of Mizzou Alumni Association, drew names for the donation prize drawing and thanked those in attendance.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Morgan Ash

Founders Day / Annual Meeting



The Leader's Honor Roll award annually recognizes individuals in Greene County who have been long-term supporters of local extension programs as a council member or volunteer. This year, Greene County recognized Carl Redmon (shown at left with Kelly McGowan and Maggie Black) and Tom Kisse (Council Chair Jason Whitesell is at right presenting the plaque). More information about both award winners on our Facebook page.



Greene County Extension Council chair Jason Whitesell (at left) is recognized for his two years of service at the extension council chairman by County Engagement Specialist David Burton



Fifty-four individuals were in attendance this year for Mizzou Founder's Day and Annual Meeting. Guest speakers from campus entertained and educated the crowd with a presentation on sports analytics.



Greene County Clerk Shane Schoeller swears in new members of the Greene County Extension Council (at left) and Lynn Krue, a senior at Mizzou and a graduate of Republic High School, shares about life at Mizzou.



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MU Extension Staff Headquartered in Greene County



Kelly McGowan

Horticulture Specialist
mcgowank@missouri.edu

Started: 2012

Responsibilities: Coordinates the Core Training for the Greene County Master Gardeners, assists the Master Gardener chapter, and develops and plans educational opportunities and events for the public.



David Burton

County Engagement in
Community Development
burtond@missouri.edu

Started: 2001

Responsibilities: Engages residents through leadership development, neighborhood, heritage tourism, arts, and media relations. Works with council to fund and administer the office and to plan local programs.



Amber Allen

Human Development

Started: October 2019

Responsibilities: Programs that focus on the improvement of families and senior adults like "Boost Your Brain and Memory," "Focus on Kids" and Greene Dot violence prevention programs.

Vacant

Open Office



Kelsa Ferguson

Nutrition Specialist

Started: February 2019

Responsibilities: Nutrition and health education programs including classes on chronic disease management, food preservation, stay strong-stay healthy and more.



Amy Patillo

Workforce Development
patilloa@missouri.edu

Started: November 2011

Responsibilities: Working across the state to coordinate the Universities high priority commitments and identify projects where Extension can grow Missouri's workforce.



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Featured Impact: Art on the Move (Digital Storytelling)

Nearly 50 people turned out for the first "Art on the Move" exhibit of digital storytelling from the Mizzou College of Visual Studies at the Springfield Botanical Center. The engagement event featured the movies for three students which were screened and also remained on exhibit in the Botanical Center during February. For more examples follow the Greene County Extension Council on Facebook.



About MU Extension in Greene County:

Since 1914, Greene County and area residents have sought help from MU Extension in areas related to agriculture, gardening, 4-H youth, nutrition, families, business and community development. MU Extension programs focus on the high-priority needs of Missourians to improve lives, communities and economies with relevant, responsive and reliable educational solutions. Each county extension center, with oversight by elected and appointed citizens, is your local link to practical education. Our local office is located inside the Springfield Botanical Center.



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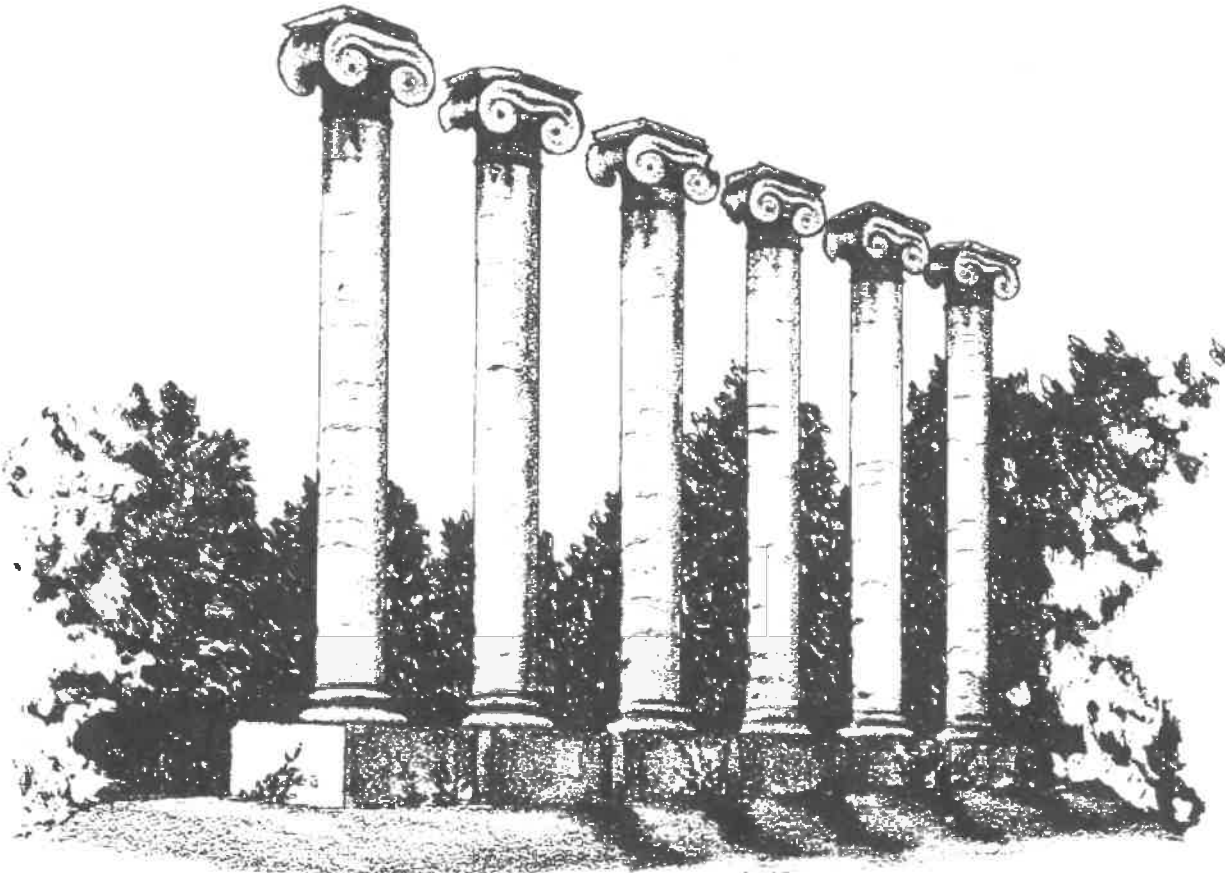
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Annual report designed and edited by David Burton, county engagement and community development specialist with MU Extension in Greene County.



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January 16, 2020

Dear Greene County Commissioners and Residents:

With all of our Greene County positions filled and active, our specialists and educators have reached new highs for programs and contacts in the county this year.

A total of nearly 45,000 Greene County residents received direct educational assistance from MU Extension in 2019. Combined with residents that received documented indirect education, we helped over 90,000 county residents. Our surveys show that our education helped county residents improve their farms, make more money, start businesses, improve their health, deal better with family stress, improve their quality of life, families and neighborhoods, plus more.

Greene County MU Extension specialists also brought home eight different awards from the statewide extension meeting in October. This is an indicator of the excellent programs conducted in this county and also of the strong financial support that now exists. These awards are an indication of that excellence. Another indication is our increased educational contacts.

County Commissioners and donors have helped improve the quality of life in this county by helping to fund our programs. You can read about some of those programs and then impacts in this annual report.

We want to thank the County Commissioners for their support of Greene County Extension in 2019. We look forward to financial improvements and program expansion in the coming years.

Submitted by
Morgan Ash
 Council Secretary

Jason Whitesell
 Council Chairman

PS: Our county extension council members work with extension specialists to provide the county educational program, manage finances of local extension operations, provide personnel to carry out extension activities and elect and organize the local extension council.

Greene County Extension Council

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Chairman

Greg Boehne
Vice-chair

Morgan Ash
Secretary

Lisa Bakerink
Treasurer

Harold Bengsch
County Commissioner

Vacant
Farm Bureau

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MFA

Vacant
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City of Willard

Joseph Hoffman
City of Springfield

Lauren Waterman
4-H Youth member

Members at large

Tony Ahart

Missy Hayward

Tyler Gunlock

Ann Hall

Scott Smith

Chad Courtney

Karen Dowdy

Chris Schulze

Rick Stenberg

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January 5, 2020

Dear county commissioners and friends of MU Extension,

I had the good fortune to catch up with some of you this past fall as I traveled the state to share the University of Missouri's Extension and Engagement vision and plan for the coming years. What a pleasure it is to serve this state we call home.

As you know, we've listened closely to Missourians' needs, restructuring our faculty and program delivery to better serve people and communities. With this reset nearly complete, we're better positioned to work together to strengthen our state's economy, increase Missourians' access to meaningful education and workforce development options, and improve our citizens' health and well-being.

MU Chancellor Alex Cartwright often calls us the University *for* Missouri. In very real terms this means that MU Extension is leading efforts to connect the university's powerful research, knowledge and science-based information with our state's diverse needs and local efforts to address them.

Whether you're a farmer researching the latest profitable grazing practices, a 4-H leader developing after-school robotics programs with local schools, or a community leader helping people formerly addicted to opioids return to productive work, you deserve the very best MU Extension and university engagement efforts have to give. As a comprehensive university, we can be uniquely responsive. We have schools of medicine, nursing and health professions, for instance, to support health care in rural communities, a law school clinic that helps veterans qualify for the benefits they deserve. MU education students become the teachers who enrich children's lives in nearly every school district in the state. We are here for you and with you.

Together, we can make lasting impacts. That's why in this new year we are focused on growing and leveraging local partnerships, expertise and resources. With 110 of 115 county engagement specialist positions filled — and renewed focus on responsive program development — we are ready to go.

As the first public university west of the Mississippi River, our land-grant roots run deep through Missouri's heritage and history. They help chart our future, too: What can we do to make our state better? How can we think and do different?

I know you will be proud to see your own communities' successes in the pages of this year's county annual report. On behalf of all of us at MU Extension, I look forward to your thoughts on how we can best lead, serve and grow through the year ahead.

Sincerely,

Marshall Stewart

GREENE COUNTY EXTENSION FINANCIALS

Understanding Our Financial Report

By law, the Greene County MU Extension Council must annually publish its Income and Expense Financial Report for all of the restricted and unrestricted accounts (at right).

In 2020, this report became easier to understand because we began managing the accounts for our Master Gardeners and Master Naturalists chapters as "separate" checking accounts. Each of those accounts have income and expenses that are not part of the operational budget for our office. We value these accounts and grants because they do make additional programing possible.

Thanks to two 4-H grants and a leadership grant, nearly \$11,000 in program expenses were paid out of restricted accounts which greatly benefited our office budget and make it possible to finish 2019 in the black.

University of Missouri Extension programs in Greene County are funded by county, state and federal appropriations. The Greene County Commission provides local extension funding for office expenses, clerical salaries and travel expenses of specialists who conduct programs in Greene County.

Greene County Extension Council Endowment Report

Funds maintained by University of Missouri.
Report ending June 30, 2019

Endowment Principal Account

Beginning Value 7/1/18: \$7,823.28
Ending Balance 6/30/19: \$8,052.97

Endowment Distribution Account

Beginning Value 7/1/18: \$45,826.88
Ending Balance 6/30/19: \$46,766.43

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 2019

ASSETS	
Checking	\$115,749.75
TOTAL ASSETS 12/31/16	\$115,749.75
EQUITY	
Retained Earnings	\$113,177.54
Net Income	\$ 2,572.21
TOTAL EQUITY 12/31/16	\$115,749.75
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY:	\$115,749.75

2019 Income & Expense Financial Report

(Unrestricted & Restricted Income and Expenses)

Income	Jan - Dec 19
0100 · Student Fees	22,418.51
0210 · County Appropriations	51,500.00
0300 · Misc Income	0.00
0400 · Gift/Grants/Contracts	10,246.00
0900 · Resales/Educ Services Fees	29,173.25
1500 · University Program Funds	0.00
Total Income	113,337.76
Expense	
2700 · Persnrl Serv - Salaries & Wag	27,648.48
2800 · Payroll Expenses	15,921.66
2900 · Non-Payroll Salaries	1,218.40
3100 · Travel	2,928.79
3600 · Postage	1,378.68
3700 · Telephone Serv - Local	0.00
3900 · Advertising	3,794.61
4700 · Publishing/Printing	3,826.88
5100 · Supplies/Services	35,187.59
5110 · Annual Meeting	155.90
5200 · Professional Development	253.70
5600 · Professional Services	1,384.92
6400 · Other Contract Services	1,463.15
6800 · Insurance	47500
7010 · Extension Council Exp	0.00
7100 · Soil Test Expenses	5,462.00
7200 · Publications for Resale	3,352.66
7300 · Repairs/Maintenance	5,393.65
7400 · 4-H Special Support	270.48
7700 · Furniture/Equipment	649.00
7999 · Fee Generation Distribution	0.00
Total Expense	110,765.55
Net Income	2,572.21

The Springfield-Greene County Park Board provides office and classroom space in the Botanical Center. The University of Missouri provides salaries and benefits for professional and para-professional staff headquartered in Greene County. This includes training expenses, postage, staff communications and computer equipment costs and maintenance.

2019 DONORS TO GREENE COUNTY EXTENSION

These individuals and organizations gave private donations in support of Greene County Extension during 2019.

Tony and Carolyn Ahart
Richard & Rebecca Anderson
Dr. Dan & Susan Cardwell
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Brandi Allgier and Pyramid Foods
Missy Hayward and BancorpSouth Bank
Jason Whitesell and Old Missouri Bank
George & Linda Deatz and Deatz Family Fund
Rachel Griffin, Wilson-Griffin Funeral Home
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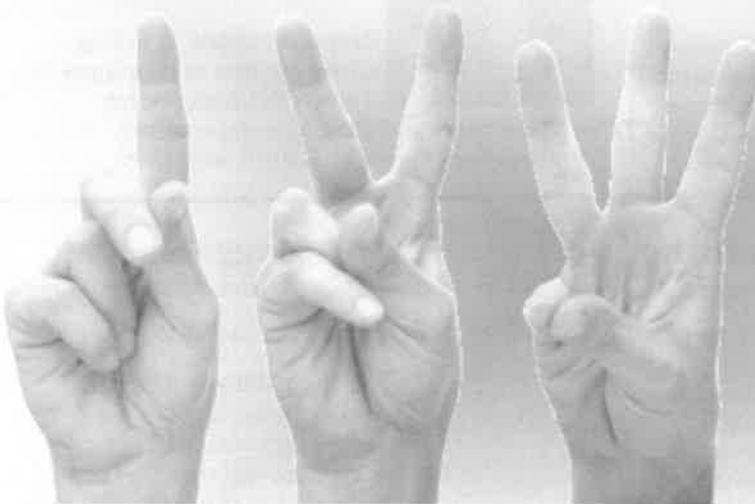
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Ramona Burton
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Carl Allison
Paula Pollard

Squealing Pig Honor

As part of creating a recognition culture, Greene County MU Extension is recognizing extension staff, specialists, volunteers, and council members with the Squealing Pig Honor. The squealing pig is used to recognize one of seven characteristics in an individual: 1) Gobbling up waste (cutting costs or wastes of time); 2) Grunting for money (finding grants or programs); 3) Rooting out good or new ideas; 4) Squealing about impacts for extension programs; 5) Bacon others look good (teamwork); and 6) Hamming it up in creative ways. To date, the following individuals have been presented the Squealing Pig Honor:

Pig #1: Lisa Bakerink, ongoing partner
Pig #2: Morgan Ash, council secretary
Pig #3: Bill Prince, juvenile partnership
Pig #4: Greg Boehne, council recruitment
Pig #5: John Russell, County Commissioner
Pig #6: Tim Schnakenberg, agronomy
Pig #7: Michele Kleeman, state volunteer
Pig #8: Mike LoFarno, Tiger ambassador
Pig #9: Tyler Gunlock, council member
Pig #10: Ann Hall, council member

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2. Stay connected with
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3. Enjoy making a difference
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Responsibilities: Coordinates the Core Training for the Greene County Master Gardeners, assists the Master Gardener chapter, and develops and plans educational opportunities and events for the public.



David Burton

County Engagement in
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Started: 2001

Responsibilities: Engages residents through leadership development, neighboring, heritage tourism, arts, and media relations. Works with council to fund and administer the office and to plan local programs.



Amber Allen

Human Development

Started: October 2019

Responsibilities: Programs that focus on the improvement of families and senior adults like "Boost Your Brain and Memory," "Focus on Kids" and Greene Dot violence prevention programs.

Vacant

Open Office



Kelsa Ferguson

Nutrition Specialist

Started: February 2019

Responsibilities: Nutrition and health education programs including classes on chronic disease management, food preservation, stay strong-stay healthy and more.



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AGRICULTURE

2019 Highlights

As reported by David L. Burton
Tim Schnakenberg
Eldon Cole and Andy McCorkill

4th County Commission Ag Tour

Diversity of agriculture was the theme of the Greene County Commission Agriculture Tour. Stops included an Irish Dexter cattle farm, agriculture program at Willard High School, a crop operation north of Willard, Sac River Stables and a tour of Hiland Dairy.

96th Ag Production Conference

Over 90 people attended the 96th Agriculture Production Conference and Greene County Soil and Water Conservation District Annual Meeting March 7 at Springfield Livestock Marketing Center. Wesley Tucker presented "Estate and Succession Planning for the Family Farm" and we hosted a panel discussion focused on "Making Local Foods Profitable for the Farm."

MU Extension Ag Tax Schools

Twenty accountants attended Springfield training and received updates on the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act legislation individual taxpayer issues, agricultural and natural resources topics, IRS rules and regulations, business issues, retirement issues, cybersecurity, limited liability companies, trusts and estates, religious organization tax issues, and ethics.

94th Tested Bull Sale

The 94th all-breed performance bull sale was held Oct. 28 at Springfield Livestock Marketing Center. A total of 34 tested bulls were offered. Nearly 200 people attended the sale and the educational program offered by MU Extension specialists. Thirty bulls sold for an average of \$2878.

Pesticide Applicator Training

Greene County hosted training for a private pesticide applicator license on Feb. 14. Tim Schnakenberg was the instructor. There were 38 in attendance and another 22 visited our offices during the year to watch a video and complete paperwork for a license renewal. Under Missouri law, this training provides certification to obtain a Private Pesticide Applicators License for Missouri agricultural producers and is designed to make sure that pesticides are applied safely.

Farm Visits and Questions

Our agriculture specialist made a total of 92 farm visits in the county to offer solutions and assistance as well as documenting over 200 calls from county land owners seeking answers to various agriculture related concerns.

6th Annual Salute to Century Farms

We raised \$800 for the office and \$587 for 4-H and had our largest crowd (132) in the history of this program. We also got to honor six family farms, one which had remained in the same family for over 180 years.



The Tom and Tammy Huff Farm near Fair Grove, Mo.

AGRICULTURE / STRIKEFORCE GRANT

2019 Highlights

As reported by Amy Patillo, David Burton and Kelly McGowan

StrikeForce Farmer Development

The StrikeForce Project targets areas that need an economic boost and will benefit from the expansion of small farms and on-farm businesses. The funding has expanded educational opportunities to farmers in StrikeForce counties to make their operations more profitable and efficient, while emphasizing conservation of natural resources. These areas have benefited from the increased educational offerings that financial assistance from NRCS sponsored programs has provided for workshops and conservation practices for specialty crops.

Twilight Farm Walks

Twilight Farm Walks are educational meetings that occur throughout the year, intended to provide producers the opportunity to get a firsthand look at ongoing vegetable and fruit production. Horticulture plots are featured, including high tunnels and open field. Participants experience some of the latest horticultural research and visit with researchers and specialists that provide instruction and techniques to support farmer development.

What is Strikeforce?

The StrikeForce project has introduced beginning and advanced specialty crop producers to new production skills, available resources, new marketing opportunities, additional trainings and technical assistance, and developed a network of producers that keep in touch and work together to improve production and profitability.

Farm Safety Workshop

The Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Alliance (PSA) training is a standardized national training curriculum in produce food safety, approved by the Food and Drug Administration to meet the training requirement for farms subject to the FSMA Produce Safety Rule. The 8 hour training curriculum includes modules on FSMA, worker health and hygiene, soil amendments of biological origin, domestic animal and wildlife issues, production and postharvest use of water, postharvest handling and sanitation, and food safety plans/traceability. The training team for the FSMA PSA training includes an AFDO-certified lead trainer, and additional trainers certified in the FSMA PSA curriculum. The lead trainer completes the training application packet, organizes the training team, organizes local arrangements, delivers one or more of the training modules, conducts the impact survey, completes the application, and distributes the training certificates to attendees post-training. Training team members deliver one or more of the training modules.



One of the monthly Twilight Farm Tours are shown here. Every month has been well attended by people from throughout the region.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Greene County SBDC Impact FY 2019

Sales Increase	\$12,446,967
PTAC Awards	\$7,762,313
Number of PTAC Awards	168
New Businesses Starts	15
Jobs Created	275
Jobs Retained	2,141
Total Capitalization	\$4,854,486
Clients/Companies Receiving Business Counseling	238
Training Event Attendees	629



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867+ Greene County Residents Served in 2019

Business development program specialists and business counselors with MU Extension and the Missouri Small Business Development Centers, Missouri Procurement Technical Assistance Centers, Missouri Environmental Program, Missouri Career Options Project, and the Missouri Market Development program served Greene County residents and their companies with business start-up and management counseling, and other assistance.

Participants and clients include:

- Small business owners in the service, construction and retail industries
- Prospective entrepreneurs
- Non-profit organizations
- Displaced workers

Successful businesses promote growth and stability in the local and state economy. When you support MU Extension's Business Development Program, enterprising Missourians receive information and training to start, run and expand businesses. This increased business activity creates jobs, increases consumer demand, promotes economic development and generates much needed tax revenue.

SBDC Gives Owners of 37 North Expeditions Confidence to Move Forward in 2019

37 North was founded by Springfield-native Danny Collins and his wife Cristina Bustamante in April 2018. The company specializes in guided tours and is dedicated to helping the communities of Springfield, Branson, and northwest Arkansas explore the Ozarks.

All the planning and details are handled by 37 North and the trips can include everything from a simple hike to horseback riding or paddleboarding, kayaking, and even astronomy lessons.

Soon, he reached out to the eFactory, a resource for startups that was created by Missouri State University's (MSU) IDEA

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BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT



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Commons. Through the eFactory, Collins met Lance Coffman, a business consultant with the Missouri Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at MSU and located within the eFactory. The SBDC is a joint program partner with, and gets funding from, University of Missouri Extension.

With Coffman's help, Collins took part in a spring 2018 feasibility study, a service offered through the local Missouri SBDC where MSU's entrepreneurship students examine business proposals and conduct feasibility studies. Once the analysis was complete, Coffman assisted Collins with advertising, bookkeeping, and pricing for the business. After eight months of planning, 37 North opened and began offering their first tours.

Collins once again sought assistance from the SBDC when it came time to purchase a company vehicle. He admits the prospect was intimidating, but Coffman and Sandra Smart-Winegar, an SBDC business consultant, assisted him by reviewing the company's options and providing resources to allow Collins to make a confident decision that coincided with his business goals.

"I was nervous about the decision," he concedes. "But the SBDC gave me confidence in the choice. It's been a great resource and a huge help."

As 37 North continues to grow, Collins notes that he has loved every aspect of the business.

"It's been a blast," exclaims Collins. "I never imagined we would be anything besides a small startup and I'm excited for the future."

Business Data from All Things Missouri

All types of social, demographic, and economic data for decision making is available on the MU Extension online data resource known as All Things Missouri. This data is located online at <https://allthingsmissouri.org/>. As a few examples of available data:

Commuter Travel Patterns

Of the 135,689 workers in Greene County, 81.7% drove to work alone while 9.6% carpooled. 0.7% of all workers reported that they used some form of public transportation, while others used some optional means including 2.9% walking or riding bicycles, and 1% used taxicabs to travel to work.

Labor Force Participation

According to the 2013 – 2017 American Community Survey, of the 232,676 working age population, 145,299 are in the labor force. The labor force participation rate is 62.45%.

Proprietor Employment

Non-farm proprietors' income represents the portion of the total income earned from current production that is accounted for by unincorporated non-farm businesses in the United States.

- Greene County total employment: 215,611
- Non-Farm Proprietors: 36,975 / 17.15%
- Average Non-Farm Proprietor Annual Income: \$28,154.00

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

2019 Highlights

As reported by David L. Burton

Leadership Ash Grove

When the class began we had 18 attend. Participants grew as individuals. Networking proved to be powerful. Participants learned more about their community and engaged with it in new ways. Best of all, class members proposed community projects including: "Main Street Nights," a drug take back program, a bicycle rodeo for youth and welcome bags with information about the city for people who sign up for new water service. This program is going to be repeated in 2020. Plans are underway for the development of a Leadership Republic, Leadership Willard and Leadership Mt. Vernon.

Greene County Extension Council

Our county council members are engaged and serving statewide. We also provide council members with education at meetings. These educational programs give specialists facetime with council members and confidence in their programming.

"Good Neighbor Day" Campaign

Over 8,000 postcards were funded and sent to every home in Republic to encourage outreach on "National Good Neighbor Day." Projects ranged from delivering cookies to neighbors and hosting "donuts on the driveway" to a neighborhood BBQ. Republic police are preparing to launch a new neighborhood watch program.

Southwest Region News Service

The program was reduced this year to bi-weekly to open a window of opportunity for other programming. We still sent out over 400 releases to our 4,800 subscribers which includes media outlets in the four-state area. This service has been a valuable educational program unique to Missouri.



Leadership Ash Grove Class 1 graduates (2019)

Elevate Middle School Program

This afterschool program is for middle school students in Republic. The fall of 2019 session was funded by a local grant. We had 124 students sign up with an average weekly attendance of 74. The program provided a forum for a Generation Rx program by students in the UMKC School of Pharmacy. In 2020 our specialists will continue to provide some 4-H programming at Elevate.

Mizzou Leadership Network

The alumni network is a quarterly program highlighting Mizzou grads in local leadership positions. Attendees learn leadership lessons from featured guests during a Q&A session. The goal is to expand our local alumni network but also tie alumni, specialists and the public together with leadership lessons. Our guests in 2019 were County Commissioner John Russell, Springfield banker Robin Robeson and 417 Magazine Editor Logan Aguire.

Mizzou Founders Day 2019

The first joint Mizzou Founders Day and Greene County Extension Annual Meeting was held in February 2019. Guest speakers from the Mizzou campus attended making this educational event a unique partnership between Mizzou Athletics, Mizzou Alumni and Greene County MU Extension.

FAMILY NUTRITION PROGRAM

2019 Highlights

As reported by Terri Fossett, Sherri Hull, Randi Williams, Marty Wood, Myrna Stark and Myra Dickensheet

The Family Nutrition Program (FNP) statewide brought \$9,595,006.00 in federal funds to Missouri. These funds were used to provide nutrition education to 897,375 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients and eligible Missourians. Statewide, there were 3,283,220 educational contacts (2,578,418 indirect). Indirect contacts are reached through newsletters, health fairs, food pantries and the Show Me Nutrition help line.

Participants in FNP become more aware of nutrition, make healthier meal and snack choices, eat breakfast more often, are more willing to try new foods, increase their physical activity and in general make healthier food choices. Those who practice healthy eating and activity behaviors are more likely to enjoy a high quality of life as an adult and into old age. A healthy labor force is critical to attracting and keeping jobs in Missouri. In addition, this programming helps to reduce healthcare costs over the participant's lifetime, saving taxpayers money in reduced public healthcare benefits.

"It has been a successful year in Greene County for the family nutrition education program," said Terri Fossett, regional nutrition director. "We look forward in 2020 to more programming opportunities and continued progress in helping to

improve the lives of Missouri families."

During 2019, 4,449 youth and 29,120 adults in Greene County (total of 33,569) were served through schools, community groups and agencies by MU Extension's Family Nutrition Education Program.

The following is a list locations where Greene County participants were served:

Schools	Agencies
Douglas Head Start	Regional Girls Shelter
Campbell Small Wonder	Boys & Girls Club of Springfield – Sertoma & Stalnaker Unit
Early Childhood Center	The Fairbanks
Macedonia Baptist Preschool	Pregnancy Care Center
Reed Middle School	Victory Mission – Family Ministry
Meadowbrook Head Start	Northview Senior Center
Ash Grove Elementary	Greater Springfield Farmer's Market
Strafford Elementary	Southside Senior Center
Horrace Mann Elementary	Good Samaritan Shop
McGregor Elementary	Southside Senior Center
Jeffries Elementary	Price Cutter 52
Bois D'Arc Elementary	Alternative Opportunities – Carol Jones
Walnut Grove Elementary	Mercy Employee Child Development
Willard South Elementary	Greene Co. Juvenile Justice
Weaver Elementary	Crosslines - Springfield
Logan Rogersville Elementary	Midtown Library
McCulloch Elementary	Central Assembly of God
Robberson Elementary	Strafford Senior Center
Westport Elementary	Grow to Know
Study Middle School	YMCA – Ward Branch
Williams Elementary	Greene Co. Food Stamp Office
Grant Head Start	Northview Senior Center
Stewart Head Start	Weller Community Four Square "Living Hope" Food Pantry
Bissett Elementary	Lifeshouse Crisis Maternity House
Central High	Ash Grove Senior Center
Fremont Elementary	Shady Dell Early Childhood Center

FAMILY NUTRITION PROGRAM



Nutrition Program Associate Myra Dickensheet (shown above) shared this story: "I introduced pomegranates as a taste test in a first grade class the week before Thanksgiving. When I returned, a student told me she loved the pomegranate so much that she convinced her mom to buy one for Thanksgiving dinner. They researched on the Internet how to peel it. Her family loved it too."



Nutrition Program Associate Martha Wood shared this success story: "I did a gardening class at the Dream Center in Springfield with a group of elementary kids. I cut up and passed out raw yellow squash for the kids to taste. Most of them loved it. They were even asking for seconds." Her greatest success has been her track record of teaching new moms at the Pregnancy Care Center (shown above) and helping them to give birth to normal birth weight children.



Nutrition Program Associate Sherri Hull demonstrates the proper way to cut an onion during a Cooking Matters class with youth at the county juvenile center.



Sherri Hull at Douglas HeadStart where they were discussing the Protein Group of MyPlate and learning how it helps our muscles get stronger, especially when we exercise.

HORTICULTURE

2019 Highlights

As reported by Kelly McGowan

Chaired 2019 State Master Gardener Conference in Columbia, Missouri

Attendees included over 100 Master Gardeners from Missouri and surrounding states. Feedback and conference evaluations were highly favorable of utilizing MU Extension professionals for educational sessions. As a result, this format will be repeated during the 2020 state MG conference.

Master Gardeners of Greene County

Highlights from the Chapter are included in a separate, comprehensive end-of-year annual report. But as one example, members of the Master Gardeners staff a horticulture hotline at the Springfield Botanical Center. They receive training from Horticulture Specialist Kelly McGowan. Master Gardener Patty Garrett is chair of the hotline and Kathy Rapp is scheduler. The numbers are in for 2019 and our volunteers were busy! The hotline took 764 inquiries this year from 26 counties around the state. We also took 295 calls and 39 emails as due to KY3 Ask a Master Gardener segments.

2019 Blueberry School

Had 65 attendees from 5 states attended the 2 day Blueberry School. Impact statements included the following: "I am a new blueberry grower and I enjoy networking with and learning from farmers who have been growing blueberries for many years."

2019 Garlic School

Had 67 attendees attended the 2019 Missouri Garlic School. The keynote speaker was Crystal Stewart, state vegetable specialist with Cornell University Extension. The purpose of the 2019 Garlic School was to introduce garlic as a viable specialty crop in Missouri and to assist current growers with up-to-date research and growing information to increase yields.

2019 Master Naturalist Training

Had 21 new Master Naturalists complete the Greene County training. Positive impact statements include: "As a result of going through the training, I have an entire new appreciation for the natural world." "I now find ways to be more involved with conservation efforts." "I am a teacher and will use what I have learned in my classroom." New members are shown in the group photo below.



HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Available Programs

Submitted by Amber Allen

Human Development and Family Science looks at how people develop through the lifespan and how individuals develop within the context of the family and society. Allen's goal is to provide multifaceted programming across the lifespan that educates participants on topics related to them as an individual; interpersonal relationships; and brings understanding to individuals that they are connected to the communities they engage with daily. Various programs are available to help achieve this goal. Listed below are a few of the programs Allen will focus on in 2020.

Boost Your Brain and Memory

The class uses a whole-person approach that helps you form new habits to live a healthier lifestyle, remember things better, be more organized, pay closer attention and regulate your emotions. Each participant will receive a workbook including memory exercises, tips on nutrition and exercise, and summaries of evidence-based research on brain health.



Local office extension staff — including Amber Allen — with Truman the Tiger.

Focus On Kids

Helps divorced and separated parents learn how to support their children through the divorce and how to work together in co-parenting their children. Focus on Kids satisfies Missouri law that requires parents who are divorcing or filing a motion to modify the original divorce decree to attend an educational parenting program.

Green Dot

Green Dot is a prevention program that seeks to reduce power based personal violence (child abuse, stalking, dating, domestic, and sexual violence) and is predicated on the notion that all community members have a role in reducing violence.

Mental Health First Aid (Youth)

YMHFA gives community members, parents, and caring adults an opportunity to better understand what mental health is, what some of the common diagnosis are, and how to respond to youth who might have a crisis. It reduces the misconception many people may have about mental health. It gives individuals in our communities the skills to handle a crisis in a way that is safe, and inspires hope for the youth. YMHFA is a framework for providing immediate support to the youth and also getting them connected to other professionals and caring adults.

Taking Care of You

Taking Care of You is a multi-session program offering practical strategies and experiences to help you deal with the stress in your life. Managing life's challenges in a healthy way allows you to take better care of yourself and your overall health.

Additional Programming Available:

- Alzheimer's Association Classes
- Childcare Provider Trainings
- Healthy Relationship
- Matter of Balance
- Parent Cafes
- Substance Use Prevention

NUTRITION

2019 Highlights

As reported by Kelsa Ferguson

Cooking Matters

Cooking Matters is a series of classes that are designed to empower families at risk of hunger with the skills, knowledge, and confidence to make healthy and affordable meals. Each of the 6 sessions is two hours long where participants will learn to cook a meal to eat during class and are then sent home with groceries to cook the meal for their family. During the past year Cooking Matters was taught for 4 series and has created great partnerships for MU Extension. The class has been taught in partnership with Pregnancy Care Center, The Greene County Youth Academy, and a continuing partnership to teach classes at Central Assembly of God through Victory Mission. Classes are set up for 2020 to teach Cooking Matters.

Fall Prevention Classes

MU Extension Nutrition and Health Field Specialist teach a variety of fall prevention classes for older adults for every level of physical activity. In Greene County we offer Stay Strong, Stay Healthy, A Matter of Balance, Walk with Ease, and Tai Chi for Arthritis. These classes help older adults learn about how to avoid preventable falls and build strength in their muscles that will also help reduce the chance of having a fall. In 2019 these classes were offered in senior centers across Greene County.

Food Preservation

Hands on Food preservation classes are also taught in Greene County. Sessions include topics such as Sweet Spreads, Dehydrating, Canning Salsas and Fruits, In a Pickle, Pressure Canning Basics, and Harvesting and Storing Fresh Vegetables. In 2019 classes were offered on Sweet Spreads and Dehydrating with great success of participants canning and dehydrating in class and getting to try the products that they created.

Self-Management Classes

Chronic Disease and Diabetes Self-Management classes assists in maintaining quality of life when faced with chronic medical conditions. Self-management classes are taught in partnership with the Regional Arthritis Centers. In 2019 these classes were offered in Greene County at Senior Centers and at Mercy Hospital. This program was developed by Stanford University and is funded by the Arthritis Foundation.

Health Rocks

Taught a "Health Rocks" curriculum as part of the community-led afterschool program for middle schools students in Republic known as Elevate. The same program will continue in 2020.



Students in the summer Cooking Matters class participated in a year-end chili cookoff competition with Kelsa Ferguson (left) providing direction.

WORKFORCE

2019 Highlights

As reported by Amy Patillo

Workforce Solutions KOLR-10

KOLR-10 TV segments are beneficial to highlighting Missouri's workforce topics for businesses and communities. This program reaches large audiences that are 40 percent more likely to engage with Extension services as compared to viewing online news releases and online information. KOLR-10 topics included Workforce Analytics for Business, Holiday Stress in the Workforce, Strategic Planning, StrikeForce Farmer Development and 4-H Global Exchange.

Missouri's Workforce Challenges

Labor and Workforce programs focus on tackling Missouri's many workforce issues by collaborating with state, regional, and community workforce partners. As Missouri's workforce faces new challenges, we're here to help address those challenges through the resources of the University.

Building Workforce Connections

Building relationships and connecting with workforce partners is critical to extending workforce tools and resources to businesses and communities. Through our collaborations with Springfield and Republic Chamber of Commerce, Greene County Mayor's Association, Springfield Public Health, and the Greene County Commission these partnerships continue to grow and develop new collaborations that benefit Missourians.

Connecting with Partners at Greene County Mayor's Association

Connecting with community partners is important for the University of Missouri Greene County Extension. Building relationships, linking resources, and knowing your community helps Greene County tackle local challenges and meet the needs of the residents of Missouri. The Greene County Mayor's Association meeting provides

opportunities for Mayors in Greene County, City Leaders, and coordinating support agencies to talk about local issues, celebrate successes, and coordinate efforts across the County. Dr.

Patillo took the opportunity to snap a picture with Greene County Sheriffs Deputy Staeger.



Leadership Development to Improve Outcomes and Profitability

David Burton and Amy Patillo collaborated to deliver a four-session series to help people grow their leadership skills and improve their workplace. The leadership series included topics for workplace stability, time management, communication skills, and workplace culture. Group shown below.



Strategic Planning with Springfield Greene County Health Department

Dr. Amy Patillo facilitated the Springfield Greene County Health Departments (SGCHD) workforce development strategic plan in an effort to compile the health departments' internal workforce reporting measures and meet accreditation-reporting standards. The SGCHD workforce strategic planning team participated in a two-day workshop focused on education, training, and team development that resulted in the team identifying action steps to meet the goals and objectives of the department.

YOUTH / 4-H

2019 Highlights

Greene County 4-H Annual Report Karla Deaver and Justin Kastning

4-H For All

4-H for All began through a partnership between the Greene County Juvenile Office and University of Missouri Extension Council of Greene County in January 2019. The mission of 4-H for All is aligned with 4-H, which is to develop citizenship, leadership, responsibility and life skills of youth through experiential learning programs and a positive youth development approach. What makes the program unique is services are provided to youth at risk in an urban area that typically would not have the opportunity to experience 4-H programs. Justin Kastning, Youth Program Associate, is primarily responsible for this program. This program has already received statewide recognition, including the Reaching Diverse Audiences Award and Vice

Chancellor's Diversity Award for both team and individual. Kastning is currently working with four different groups of youth in the program. Due to the success of the program, additional opportunities to expand programming are currently under review. The program has also received support from the Darr Family Foundation and Community Foundation of the Ozarks.

Greene County 4-H Highlights

Greene County 4-H had an amazing year in 2019. Eleven clubs, including two new SPIN (Special Interest) clubs were active, with 275 members. In addition to activities at the club and regional level, several members were involved in state and national opportunities. Some of the highlights include:

- Two members on State 4-H Leadership Council – Blake Wright and Lauren Waterman
- County Beef Sweepstakes Award from Missouri State Fair
 - Frank Graham
- Volunteer Leadership Award Winner Lori Suter
- Blake Wright member of Missouri 4-H Dairy Judging Team competing nationally
- Monique Turner – State Public Speaking contest division winner in Prepared Speech
- Members attending State Teen Conference and State Congress
- Blake Wright attended State Legislative Academy
- Members attended Kids and K-9 camp and Zoo Apprenticeship Camp
- Members compete at Missouri 4-H Horse Bowl and Hippology Contest



Members of the Greene County 4-H For All team are recognized at the annual MU Extension Summit with the Vice Chancellor's Diversity Award. Shown here from left to right at Dr. Marshall Steward, Vice Chancellor of Extension and Engagement; Jon Sundvold, president of the Board of Curators; MU Extension Specialists Karla Deaver, Kelly McGowan, David Burton, Kelsa Ferguson, Justin Kastning and UM System President Mun Choi.

YOUTH / 4-H

Huffman Named Missouri Teen Miss United States Agriculture

Maya Huffman, member of Shooting Stars 4-H and the Greene County 4-H Teen Council, was recently named 2020 Missouri Teen Miss United States Agriculture. Huffman competed in the state contest in December, and will travel to Orlando, Florida for the National Contest in June 2020. Huffman is active in the beef, poultry and rabbit project areas and is a very active member of her club.



Ag Venture Day Camps

Since 2015, Ag Venture Day Camps have been offered during Ozark Empire Fair. The camp is designed to help children learn about food and how it is produced while having an opportunity to experience the fair. This year children got an in-depth look at where their food comes from and discussed how foods get from farm to plate. The camp also included barn tours and hands-on activities (like the session on bees shown below). Two hundred twenty-five children participated in the camps in 2019.



County 4-H Leaders Receive Statewide Honors

The Vice Chancellor's Diversity Award, for an individual, recognizes an MU Extension educator who provides leadership in diversity, equity and inclusion work. This year, the award went to Justin Kastning, youth program associate in Greene County for his role with 4-H for All Greene County.

Karla Deaver, who serves as the 4-H specialist for Greene County, was recognized by Missouri Farm Bureau as the year's top 4-H specialist Missouri.

Both honorees are shown above receiving their awards during the 2019 MU Extension Summit in Columbia, Mo.

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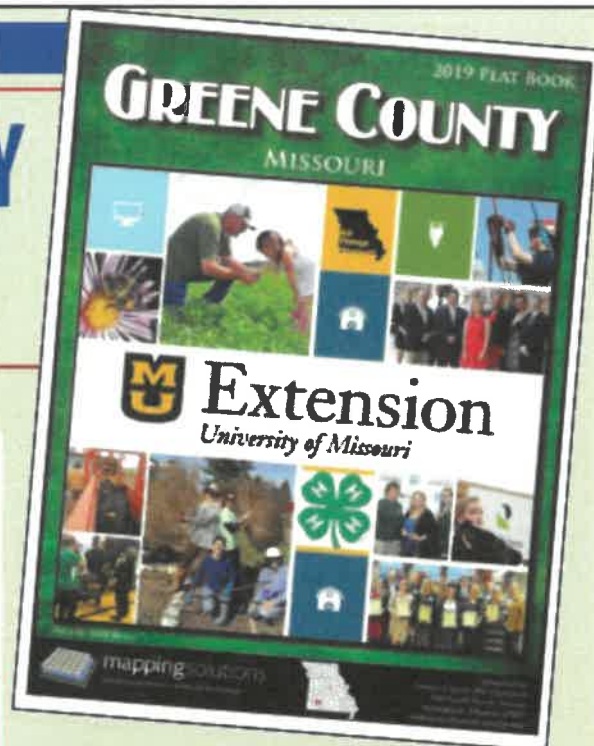
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Greene County Extension Council

Extension in Greene County

Since 1914, Greene County residents have sought help from Extension in agriculture, gardening, 4-H youth, nutrition, families, business and community development. MU Extension programs focus on the high-priority needs of Missourians to improve lives, communities and economies with relevant, responsive and reliable educational solutions. Each county extension center, with oversight by elected and appointed citizens, is your local link to practical education on almost anything.

Monthly Extension Meetings

4-H Leader's Council Meetings: 3rd Thursday of month (except July), 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., at Springfield Livestock Marketing Center.

Master Gardeners of Greene County—board meeting: First Monday of each month at 4:30 p.m. at the Botanical Center.

Master Naturalists Board Meetings: at 5:30 p.m. at the MDC regional office, on the second Wednesday of the month.

Greene County Extension Council: Last Monday of the month at noon at the Springfield Botanical Center.

Gardening Hotline

Call the Master Gardeners of Greene County Hotline for answers (874-2963).

Extension TV (KOLR-TV 10)

Watch specialists two Mondays per month during the 11 a.m. news on KOLR-TV10. Our local horticulture specialist appears on KOLR-TV10 every Thursday at 11 a.m.

Facebook: Become a Fan

Find the Greene County Extension Council on Facebook and get up-to-date information.

YouTube Channel

Visit www.youtube.com/MUExtension417 to see the regular video updates and reports.

Library Publications

Informational brochures are available at the Library Center and the Library Station.

Regular Newspaper Columns

"Ask the Master Gardener" answers your lawn and garden questions in the News-Leader every Sunday. "Ag in the Ozarks" can be found in the business section of News-Leader.

"Live and Learn" appears in the weekly Greene County Commonwealth newspaper.

"Reaching Out Report"

Monthly newsletter for Greene County Extension <http://issuu.com/greenecoext>.



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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Greene County Commission
FROM: Rick Artman, Highway Administrator *RA*
SUBJECT: February Monthly Report
DATE: 3/02/2020

OPERATIONS:

The maintenance crews have been involved in routine activities including the following:

DISTRICT 1 CREW

- Shoulder improvements and repairs were made at the following locations: FR 21, FR 61, FR 65, FR 34, FR 36, FR 156, FR 104, and FR 84.
- Crews made repairs to the ditches and removed debris at the following locations: FR 115, FR 136 and FR 44.
- Driveway drainage pipes were cleaned and/or replaced at the following locations: FR 190, FR 21 and Bonita.
- The Brush crew responded to requests of service and removed trees from the right-of-way at the following locations: FR 141, FR 115, FR 136, FR 91 (dead end), Ledgestone (dead end), and Erie.
- Crew sealed cracks in the asphalt at the following locations: Republic Road and FR 75.
- Crews completed sidewalk repairs on Elizabeth and Nottingham.
- Crews responded to snow and ice events. Afterwards, crews cleaned equipment in preparation for the next storm.
- Other tasks for the month included: trash and animal removal, street sweeping, inspections and maintenance of equipment, etc.

DISTRICT 2 CREW

- Crews patched potholes at the following locations: FR 193, FR 199, FR 156, FR 144 and Forest Heights Ave. The backhoe crew made repairs to soft spots in the roadway on FR 205, FR 215 and FR 223. These areas will be patched with asphalt at a later date.
- The crack seal crew has been working at the following locations: Melanie Lane, Rhett Road and FR 241.
- The Crews replaced a drainage pipe and cleaned a driveway drainage pipe on FR 148. The motor grader was used to establish a new flow line in the ditch along FR 20 in preparation of a new pipe installation.
- Crews responded to snow and ice events. Crews cleaned equipment in preparation for the next storm.
- The Brush crew removed debris from the right-of-way on Kissick Ave and cleaned downed trees in the Shadowood subdivision. The crew also trimmed trees and ground stumps along FR 170 and removed brush from the right-of-way on N FR 193.
- The backhoe crew replaced a driveway drainage pipe on FR 159 at Lakeview Lane.
- Other tasks for the month included: vehicle inspections and repair, mowing the right of way, trash and animal removal, street sweeping, etc.

COUNTY-WIDE MAINTENANCE CREW

- **Shoulder Widening**
District I
 - FR 25
 - FR 91
- **Miscellaneous**
 - Crews performed regular "Toolbox Talks".
 - Crews responded to weather events and cleaned equipment to prepare for next storm event.

SPECIAL PROJECTS CREW - BOX CULVERTS/BRIDGE MAINTENANCE

- Crew hauled-in black dirt to finish slopes and placed seed and straw on FR 33 between FR 84 and FR 94 near RR crossing
- Crews responded to winter weather and cleaned equipment for the next storm event.

Bridge Maintenance

- Crew used concrete cold patch material to repair the approach on the east end of BR#1600141 (Battlefield Rd Bridge) east of Rte FF.
- Crew trimmed trees behind guardrail and ground stumps at BR#07400101.

SHOP & WAREHOUSE

- The parts department has acquired and distributed the following parts and materials to the service center and maintenance personnel.
 - Physical Plant:
 - Total parts used = 119
 - Number of repair orders = 5
 - Total parts cost = \$5,825.76
 - Average cost per repair order = \$1,165.15
 - Highway Department:
 - Total parts used = 941
 - Number of repair orders = 84
 - Total parts cost = \$15,866.00
 - Average cost per repair order = \$188.88
 - Service Center:
 - Total parts used = 456
 - Number of repair orders = 79
 - Total parts cost = \$16,529.73
 - Average cost per repair order = \$209.24
 - Warehouse:
 - Total purchase orders = 137
 - Total parts returned = 9
 - Total dollar amount received = \$66,505.42

TRAFFIC CONTROL

- Set out traffic counters and collected speed and volume data at various locations.
- Crews are performing routine sign maintenance across the districts.
- Striping Crew is eager to begin working on roadways as soon as the weather cooperates.

SAFETY

- Vehicle Accidents
 - Highway = 0
 - Reportable Injuries = 1
 - Sheriff = 2
 - General Services = 1
 - Near Hits = 0
- Random drug testing was performed per DOT requirements.
- Work zone audits were conducted at various locations.
- All crews performed "Toolbox Talks".
- Training attended: 85 Highway Department employees completed CPR and AED training.

ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION

Barrington Ave. Bridge over South Branch Creek (New Bridge) Project (*Hartman & Company, Inc., Springfield, MO*). Clearing and grubbing is complete and footing excavation is well underway.

Farm Road 17 Bridge #0170008 Replacement Project (*Hartman & Company, Inc., Springfield, MO*). Erosion control items have been installed. Major items remaining are final top soil placement/grading, permanent fencing, and temporary seeding/mulching. The final seeding/mulching and fertilizing will be done in the spring when weather and ground conditions allow.

Farm Road 48 Box Culverts #048141501 Replacement Project over Sugar Creek (*Hunter-Chase & Associates, Springfield, MO*). The contractor has begun work by clearing and grubbing and installation of temporary fencing.

Farm Road 87 Structure #0870182, Roadway & Bridge Improvements (FR 87 over Pond Creek) The project has been advertised and bids will be opened on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 2:00 pm. This project consists of removal and replacement of the old bridge structure with a new 33-foot long, single span, pre-stressed concrete beam bridge with a cast-in-place deck.

Right of way inspections for utilities, drive entrances and all other construction improvements within the right-of-way continues to be active. The intensity of subdivision construction activities has slowed slightly from summertime levels, but is expected to ramp back up soon.

ASPHALT/HOT MIX/MICRO SEAL

Completing district's overlay and micro-surfacing program for 2020.



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Noteworthy Accomplishments:

- Director deployed for COVID-19 response
- Began whole community planning with community partners for COVID-19

Administrative

- Presented campus security planning path forward at monthly Office Holders meeting
- Submitted EMPG mini-grant for \$30,000

Operations

- Completed O'Reilly Center for Hope Safety and Security assessment
- Conducted SEMA MOSWIN Radio Test
- Conducted Winter Weather situation monitoring for four events

Planning

- Updated ESF 8 – Public Health and Medical, in response to Coronavirus outbreak
- Collaborated with Springfield-Greene County Health Department to obtain updated plans
- Attended Traffic Incident Management meeting to discuss winter weather planning and funeral planning for tow-truck driver killed
- Continued updates to 2020 EOP
- Reviewed Mitigation Plan updates from SEMA
- Completed After-Action Report on Jan. 10 storms and Situation Room activation
- Provided planning report to LEPC General Membership meeting
- Attended Bass Pro Shops marathon planning meeting
- Attended MOCERT1 meeting to discuss upcoming National CERT Conference
- Updated all municipal activation lists (nearing completion and hope to be finished next week)
- Collaborated with 9-1-1 to obtain mapping information with vulnerable populations and other emergency response information for planning purposes (as requested by Deputy Director)
- Started new "municipality profile" project as requested by Deputy Director
- Initiated Fair Grove EOP rewrite
- Drafted municipality letters regarding 2020 adjustments
- Worked on materials for Reserve/Intern/Volunteer (RIV) program
- Worked on other EOP updates

Community Outreach:

- Participated in Severe Weather Awareness Day at Battlefield Mall
- Conducted KY3 interview on community storm shelters
- Conducted Earthquake Interview with KY3
- Participated in Health & Safety Expo for Greene County
- Tours/Presentations – Leadership Springfield and Mercy Health Sciences

Partner Relationships:

- Facilitated a general membership CERT meeting
- Facilitated a CERT instructors meeting to discuss new changes to CERT curriculum
- Hosted bi-monthly LEPC General Membership meeting



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- Worked with Health Department on COVID-19 planning
- Attended Central District Healthcare Coalition meeting

Education, Training, & Exercises:

- Provided two opportunities for Tactical Weather Spotter training to first responders and other community partners
- Staff completed Intermediate EOC functions course

Logistics and Technology:

- Began working on resource database project in conjunction with the Highway Dept. and Public Works
- Coordinating with Hwy. on vehicle maintenance and repairs
- Attended TIM subcommittee meeting
- RHSOC equipment inventory completed
- Coordinated facility maintenance with Building Operations

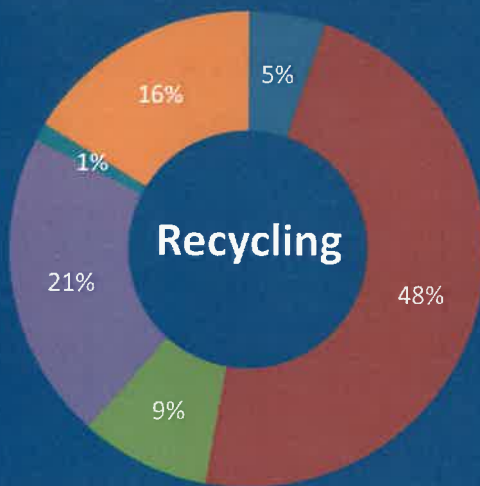
OEM February Year-to-Date Summary

Risk Assessments

■ Total ■ New



CERT Membership

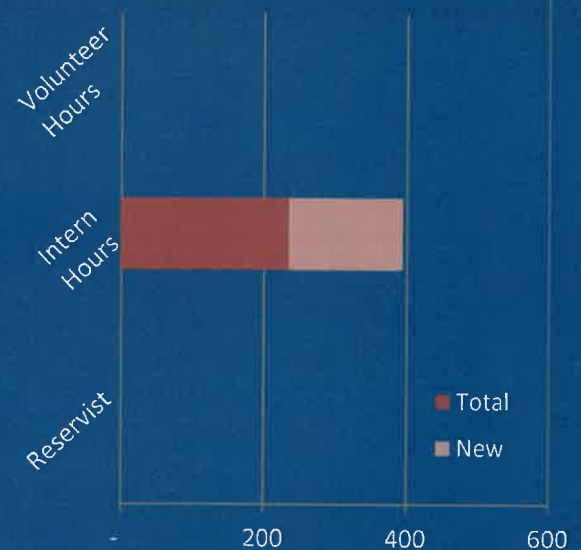


Recycling

80,707 total lbs.

■ Metal
■ Paper
■ Plastic
■ E-Waste
■ Glass
■ Cardboard

RIV Program



13,065

13,060

13,055

13,050

4,260

4,250

4,240

875

870

865

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