



# ANNUAL REPORT 2019

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## **University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension Dunn County**

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# **EXTENSION:**CHANGING LIVES & COMMUNITIES

For a century, Extension has come to represent the Wisconsin Idea – expanding university knowledge to every person in the state. As a Division of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Extension expands the University's outreach. Extension epitomizes the Wisconsin Idea, delivering programming across the state to create solutions. Extension also partners with business and government leaders, community groups, and agriculture, natural resources, and youth and family development professionals to collaborate on research opportunities.

Extension works alongside the people of Wisconsin to deliver practical educational programs—on the farm, in schools and throughout urban and rural communities. Extension has a measurable impact – changing lives and communities through:

## Supporting Wisconsin's Agriculture Industry »

Whether on the farm or in the field, we're on the front lines of modern agriculture, building stronger, more productive food systems and agricultural products. From animal management to crops and soils to financial planning, our educators and researchers help solve challenges that Wisconsin producers face.

## Fostering Leadership and Civic Engagement »

From educating elected officials to training the next generation of local leaders, we're committed to empowering citizens to make positive, transformative change in their communities.

## **Empowering Families and Communities »**

We provide individuals and families with the tools and guidance they need to adopt positive health behaviors. Our programming focuses on nutrition, food security, food safety, chronic disease prevention, mental health, substance abuse and health insurance literacy.

## **Promoting Aging-Friendly Communities »**

We embrace the philosophy that each stage of life is unique, exciting and filled with potential. Our programs promote aging-friendly communities, coach parents and help families put technology, mindfulness and financial awareness into everyday use.

## **Enhancing Resilient Natural Resource Systems »**

We work with partners across the state to ensure that our diverse natural resources remain resilient and productive. From water and forestry programming to conservation training and youth environmental education, our educators and researchers navigate complex issues, facilitate challenging conversations, and help develop innovative solutions.

## **Supporting Positive Youth Development »**

Our research-based youth enrichment programs give young people the hands-on experiences they need to grow into the global leaders of tomorrow. From youth governance to Wisconsin 4-H clubs, we provide diverse educational opportunities to prepare youth for success in Wisconsin and beyond.





Katie Wantoch Agricultural Agent, Specializing in Economic Development

The UW-Madison, Division of Extension, Agriculture Institute uses applied research and educational outreach to support an economically viable agricultural industry that produces safe food in an environmentally responsible manner.

As an Agricultural Agent, Katie assists constituents in Dunn County by sharing research-based farm business management information, resources and decision-making tools to farmers and agribusinesses to improve business profitability and lifestyles through informed decision-making.

Women entrepreneurs who produce agriculture products are a rapidly growing segment across the country and particularly in western Wisconsin. Women as principal operators are significantly different from the general farm population, with a higher percentage being beginning farmers and on average have fewer acres. To expand access and provide greater opportunity to this growing population, Katie collaborated with staff from Compeer Financial to offer "Annie's Project for Women Farmers" program in 2019. Annie's Project is a successful program that focuses on risk management strategies and tools for women farmers by providing useful, research-based information and resources. The six-part workshop series met with participants for a total of 24 hours of instructional time. Participants highly valued the educational and networking opportunities offered through this Annie's Project program. When asked to place a dollar value on the program, the average value reported was \$300, as compared to the actual cost paid for the six-week series of \$75 per person.

Comments from program participants during and after the series were great compliments to the work which was done.

- "I really enjoyed the variety of subjects presented. A lot of information was offered and I am going away from this experience with many more resources to use in my farm business & with family partners. The networking with other women connect to agriculture was empowering. Thank you!"
- "If it had cost more than \$75, I couldn't have come to it. Ag prices were down this year, and expenses were very high. Hard to carve out funds for continuing education."
- "Great program! Very organized and lots of useful information and fun networking!"



The non-farm population of Dunn County continues to increase, as farmers only represent three percent of the total population in Dunn County (USDA Census of Agriculture, 2012). Since 2010 Katie has taken an active role in educating 13,300 local community members on modern agricultural practices as part of the annual Chippewa Valley Farm-City Day (CVFCD). CVFCD is an educational event which invites the public to a working farm. Katie has chaired the CVFCD planning committee for seven years and coordinates this event with Extension educators and agriculture professionals from Chippewa, Dunn and Eau Claire Counties. CVFCD is a not-for-profit event that is supported by local donations and in-kind sponsorships, which she has successfully assisted in raising over \$60,000 the past ten years.

Katie led the effort in 2014 to expand CVFCD from a one-day event to two days which would also include on-farm agriculture education for elementary school students. In 2019 a Compeer Financial General Use Fund grant of \$4,000 supported efforts to invite 550 Dunn County 3rd or 4th grade elementary school students, teachers, parents and staff to experience Denmark Dairy in Colfax, WI at no cost to schools or students. Along with guided tours of the dairy farm, the students interacted with displays and demonstrations on milking cows, growing crops, livestock nutrition, land conservation practices. By visiting a dairy farm, students increased their knowledge of what farm life is like and learned to appreciate the many facets of Wisconsin agriculture. Post-event evaluation of teachers indicated CVFCD was able to change guite a bit of their students perception of modern agriculture practices.

One teacher commented, "Our school has been attending Farm City Days for over 5 years. Every year it gets better."









Margaret Murphy
Horticulture Outreach Specialist
Chippewa, Dunn, Eau Claire,
and Polk Counties

The Horticulture Program aims to meet the horticulture needs of Dunn County residents and commercial businesses through university research-based educational programs, diagnosis of insect, disease, and environmental plant problems, and training and coordinating Master Gardener Volunteers.

Goals of the horticulture program include providing access to up-to-date research and evidence-based educational materials for use in consumer and commercial horticulture outreach; providing educational outreach that helps the public make horticulture-related decisions that reduce negative environmental impact; increasing participation in the Master Gardener Program and supporting community well-being.

This year, horticulture outreach specialist, Margaret, together with Master Gardener Volunteers helped people learn how to grow their own food, worked to reduce invasive species while increasing pollinator habitat in Dunn County landscapes, and supported community well-being by creating public spaces that encourage people to spend time outdoors.

In 2019, our 18 Dunn County Master Gardener Volunteers reached an estimated 1,246 individuals with various outreach projects.







The Veterans' Memorial Flower Garden is a longestablished project that MGVs have invested much time, effort, and passion. The garden of red, white and blue flowers served as a backdrop for ceremonies at the memorial, including the Flag Day ceremony. The Director of Public Works has commented that the Veterans' Memorial Flower Garden is a muchappreciated attraction in downtown Menomonie and is valued by the community as is all the volunteer work of the MGVs. Each year, the garden presents a sense of place for the community.



# Health & Well-Being





Sandy Tarter FoodWIse Coordinator Chippewa, Dunn, and Eau Claire Counties



Pamela Warren-Armstrong FoodWIse Educator Dunn & Eau Claire Counties



Joy Weisner FoodWIse Educator Dunn & Eau Claire Counties



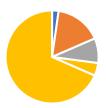
**Nancy Fastner** FoodWIse Educator Chippewa & Dunn Counties

FoodWIse is federally funded by the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education (SNAP-Ed) and the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP). We advance healthy eating habits, active lifestyles and healthy community environments for Wisconsin residents with limited incomes through nutrition education at the individual, community and systems levels.

# Who We Serve







- American Indian or Alaska Native 2.6%
- Asian 18.6%
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 5.1%



**Direct Educational Contacts** 

Hispanic

# **Program Highlights**

- FoodWIse reached 169 youth at Menomonie and Colfax Head Start Centers, Boys & Girls Club, River Heights Elementary, and Building Bridges Youth Program. Youth were taught the importance of nutrition, food safety, hand washing, eating colorful fruits and vegetables, and food preparation. They were given many tasting opportunities.
- Parents of young children were reached at Head Start, WIC, and school programs. Feeding for Healthy Eating lessons helped parents to understand the importance of family mealtimes and their responsibilities around providing consistent healthy meals. FoodWlse helped WIC families understand their benefits with grocery store tours.
- Adults at Workforce Resource and Stepping Stones Food Pantry gained experience in food resource management practices. They joined in simple food preparation, budget meal planning with practical shopping, and maximizing pantry food items.
- Seniors were reached through Congregate Meal Sites at Colfax Grapevine, Eau Galle Civic Center, and in Menomonie at Hosford Rich and Tantara Apartments. Seniors Eating Well curriculum was used around topics of reducing sodium and making seasonings without using salt, cooking healthy meals for 1 or 2, and food safety.

Not Hispanic/Latino

# Hmong youth develop food preparation skills

Building Bridges Youth Program (BBYP)-Menomonie is a newly founded group of underserved middle and high school youth. BBYP strives to give minority youth safe and healthy alternatives to live a life free of gender violence with a special focus on promoting healthy relationships. Youth Coordinator Mary Xiong asked FoodWIse to provide nutrition lessons in promotion of living a healthy lifestyle. Research shows that developing food preparations skills in teens can have long-term health benefits.

Sandy provided lessons with the Teen Cuisine Curriculum. Thirty-seven unduplicated youth attended (19-20 per week). Topics included MyPlate, food prep/food safety principles, breakfasts, and reduction of sugary beverages. Educational materials were sent to caregivers.

## Following lessons:

- ✓ 100% of teens expressed intent to increase intake of fruits and vegetables
- √ 89% of teens agree to a whole grain goal to replace refined grains
- √ 94% of teens set a goal to decrease intake of sugary beverages
- √ 42% of teens committed to using better hand washing techniques

This experience gave youth more confidence to be self-sufficient in the kitchen and in understanding the important role that nutrition plays in physical, emotional and mental well-being.

# Boys and Girls Club youth learn to make healthy snacks

At Boys and Girls Club FoodWlse provided two series of lessons. Youth were in third, fourth and fifth grades. Cornell's Choose Health: Food, Fun and Fitness Curriculum was used for the mix of grade levels.

We experienced kids with no cooking skills to exceptional skills in the kitchen. Overall FoodWlse encouraged kids to keep trying new foods over time prepared in different ways. Some of the topics included food safety, basic kitchen skills, MyPlate, whole grains, dairy, fruits, vegetables, and sugar sweetened beverages. During each class youth made a snack with food provided by the Boys and Girls Club. Some of these snacks included smoothies, veggie pita pockets, and fresh salsa with baked wheat tortilla chips.

Boys and girls had fun with relay races and were SHOCKED after measuring sugar in their favorite drinks!

50% of youth stated they would limit sugar-sweetened beverages!







# Human Development & Relationships



**Stephanie Hintz** Human Development and Relationships Educator

Stephanie's efforts to *increase social and emotional wellbeing for all youth and families in Dunn County* is grounded in local community needs assessments and backed by state and national research.

Her efforts can be categorized into four main strategies to address the local and emerging needs of the community including (1) expanding access initiatives, (2) mental wellness initiatives, (3) parenting programming, and (4) positive youth development.

## **Expanding Access Initiatives**

Dunn County's demographics are becoming more diverse. In the wake of emerging state trends and embracing diversity, one strategy is to build and maintain relationships with the Hmong and Hispanic/Latina/o communities and agencies who serve this public in Dunn County. Building relationships and promoting equitable access to educational opportunities for historically underrepresented, disadvantaged, and/or underserved populations will be a first crucial step to cultivate an inclusive and welcoming environment in our community. The intention is to build strong connections that allows historically underserved populations feel more comfortable to attend relevant and social

emotional wellbeing programming.

## Expanding Access Initiatives continued

Specific efforts include but are not limited to:

- The creation of the Hmong Friendship Center.
   There are over 30 Hmong Elders that participate in the program and with the 503c3 status they hope to grow to include intergenerational programming in the future.
- Supporting the Building Bridges Youth Program. This group focuses on Hmong-American identity for middle and high school youth, and promotes resilience to young people facing pressures from conflicting worlds. The group explores what it means to be a good person, violence prevention, mental health, and healthy relationships.
- Relationship building with El Centro de Connexion. A community group supporting Hispanic/Latina/o communities across the Chippewa Valley.

## **Mental Wellness Initiatives**

According to the Dunn County Community Health Needs Assessment Report in 2019, Mental Health was listed as the number one priority in the realm of health that needed improvement in our community.

Specific efforts include but are not limited to:

- Providing Taking Care of You Programming. Six full sessions offered to community members and people in Dunn County Jail.
- Co-leading the 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment. Capturing a more diverse and accurate reflection of the community than in previous years.

Co-creating and officially launching the Health Dunn Right Community. Engaging over 120 community members and leaders and dozens of local organizations.



# Human Development & Relationships

## **Parenting Programming**

Research indicates the primary protective factor in helping children heal from ACEs or counter effect ACEs is the presence of a consistent, supportive, and loving adult. Parental knowledge of child development and parenting skills are pinnacle to foster healthy relationships with children.

Specific efforts include but are not limited to:

- Parenting with Love and Logic Classes.
   An evidence-based approach designed to create positive schools and home culture. Various curriculum used, multi week course held 6 times, over 144 participation records.
- Parents Forever. A research-based parenting curriculum developed by the University of Minnesota - Extension and Dunn County court-ordered divorce parenting programming. Held 6 times, supported 40 parents. 100% of participants reported gaining valuable information for their life.



## Positive Youth Development

Challenges with high ACE scores and poor mental health have a significant impact on the choices young people make around alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. Understanding the importance of protective factors and directly and intentionally teaching social and emotional skills through positive youth development programming is paramount.

Specific efforts include but are not limited to:

- Co-leading Extension Youth Mental Health State Team. Creating resources for Wisconsin Youth all across the state.
- Making Reading Memories. Program to support positive engagement between children and their parents/caregivers and to provide rich literacy environments and experiences. Connecting children with their parents in jail by recording their parent reading to them, then sharing that book and the recording with the children and their caretakers. Through visits, parents and caregivers are coached on literacy strategies, skill-building and positive interaction, with literacy activities as the vehicle. Books are given to children to keep for use over and over in their homes.



Our work is grounded in research, local community needs assessments, and addressing emerging needs. See full plan of Work for the Human Development and Relationships Educator here:

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# Positive Youth Development



**Luisa Gerasimo** 4-H Program Educator

4-H empowers youth in grades K-13 to reach their full potential while learning citizenship, leadership, and life skills. For more than a century, Dunn County has been a leader in 4-H youth development. Members learn by doing; through projects, activities, and adult mentorship provided by over 100 trained and background checked volunteers.



Long term studies have shown that those who participate in 4-H are 4 times more likely to give back to their communities, and 2 times more likely to make healthy choices. That means that investing in 4-H makes good sense in both the short term and the long term for our community.

Today's 4-H programs have a new focus on healthy living, personal growth, science, engineering, and technology. This work is done through the traditional 4-H community club program, after school partnerships, state and national educational experiences, and other community youth programs. In 2019, Dunn County had 14 community clubs serving almost 400 youth, and 8 project clubs based on interests, including: Dairy Judging Project, Dog Project, Horse Project, Horseless Horse Project, Meat Animal Project, Shooting Sports, Small Animal Project, and Youth Activity Council. The Dunn County Dairy Judging Team excelled to such an extent that they were selected to represent the nation in Scotland in June of 2020. Extension Dunn County also partnered with Eau Claire Area Hmong Mutual Assistance Association to support a successful weekly after school club for 30+ Hmong teens called Building Bridges Youth Program.





Thank you for coming to us with the training on Friday!!! We really appreciated it!!! It was nice to spend time with you too!!! - Angie Harder



# Community Development



Joseph Malual Community Educator Chippewa, Dunn, and Eau Claire Counties

The Community Development Educator designs, delivers, and evaluates research-based educational programming and services that align with the position and the county's focus. Joseph was originally a Community Development Educator in Chippewa County, however in 2019, he began serving three

counties, Chippewa, Dunn, & Eau Claire. His work focused on providing educational programming to assist leaders, communities, and organizations realize their fullest potential. A large part of Joseph's work focused on relationship building, creating a needs assessment, and working with the community, especially around Community Food Systems and Organizational Development. Here in Dunn County Joseph worked with the Chronic Diseases Prevention Team with Health Dunn Right. He also helped with organizing and planning for the Center for Rural Opportunities, Prosperity, and Sustainability (CROPS), consulted with the Menomonie Market Food Co-op to explore food hub and commercial kitchen to increase the local food market, and worked with FoodWIse Coordinator Sandy Tarter and WestCAP to support the Menomonie Farmers Market. Highlights from his work in the other counties include: Survey Design for the Town of Lafayette Comprehensive Planning, community garden initiatives (Chippewa County) and strategic planning, local food initiatives with Clear Vision Eau Claire, and local government public meeting citizen-engagement facilitation (Eau Claire County).



# Administration



Catherine Emmanuelle
Area Extension Director
Chippewa, Dunn, and
Eau Claire Counties



Michelle Bachand Support Specialist

The Area Extension Director (AED) provides leadership, direction, and support for UW-Madison Division of Extension educational programming by building high-performing office teams of Extension educators and county support staff, and fosters an environment that is inclusive, trusting, respectful, and collegial. The AED is responsible for managing the resources for Extension by overseeing the Extension county budgets and budget allocations.

The Dunn County Support Specialist is a county-based employee that supports the educators while managing the day-to-day operations of the office. Michelle processed 274 support requests during the year, drafted the FY20 budget, maintained 3 social media accounts, 3 webpages, and completed numerous other tasks.

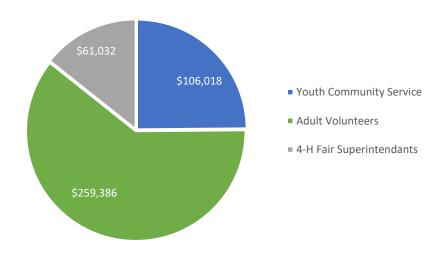
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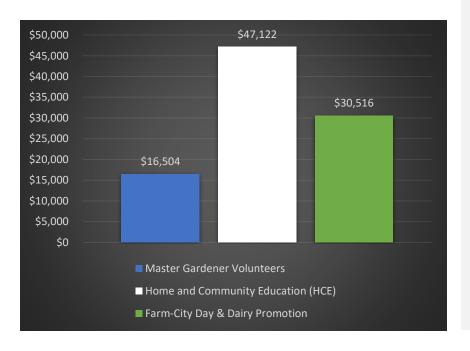
Jim Anderson – Chair Jim Zons – Vice Chair Larry Bjork Diane Morehouse Robin Sweeny

Thank you for your continued support and guidance.

# Every \$1 invested in Extension yields \$4.63 Total volunteer value to Dunn County: \$520,578

The Dunn County 4-H Program brings in an estimated \$426,436 annually in volunteer labor.





# The Added Value of Extension

The work of Extension can be farreaching because of our work to empower local volunteers. Extension Dunn County meaningfully engages volunteers deliver high-quality educational programs, and has for a very long time, giving them the tools and confidence to extend the outreach of our programming. This investment in volunteers allows us to be good stewards of our state and county resources creating greater citizenship engagement and increasing the work we can accomplish within Dunn County. Each volunteer is provided training in order to ensure the quality of the service they provide, increasing their commitment and their impact.

Each hour a volunteer serves is worth \$25.43 in Wisconsin, according to Independent Sector, an organization that studies volunteer contributions organizations. The graphs on this page represent the added value that our work with volunteers and the hours our volunteers provide to Dunn County. The added value of volunteers helps us provide more to the community. If you would like to learn more about our volunteers or what they do, please let us know!



# Every \$1 invested in Extension yields \$4.63

What does Extension mean to you? Your family? Your community? In tough economic times like we are facing today, you have been asked to take a hard look at what the county and the state can offer, and what those offerings mean to you and your community. As you work to build a flourishing, healthy community, Extension is here providing you a robust partnership to help you reach your goals. Like a growing tree, Extension draws upon its roots to provide the thick, strong branches that add the leaves of support and enrichment to Dunn County Constituents, as shown in the diagram to the right. In the 2019 Annual Extension Dunn County Report, we have highlighted the support and enrichment we have provided and will continue to provide to make Dunn County a thriving, healthy community.

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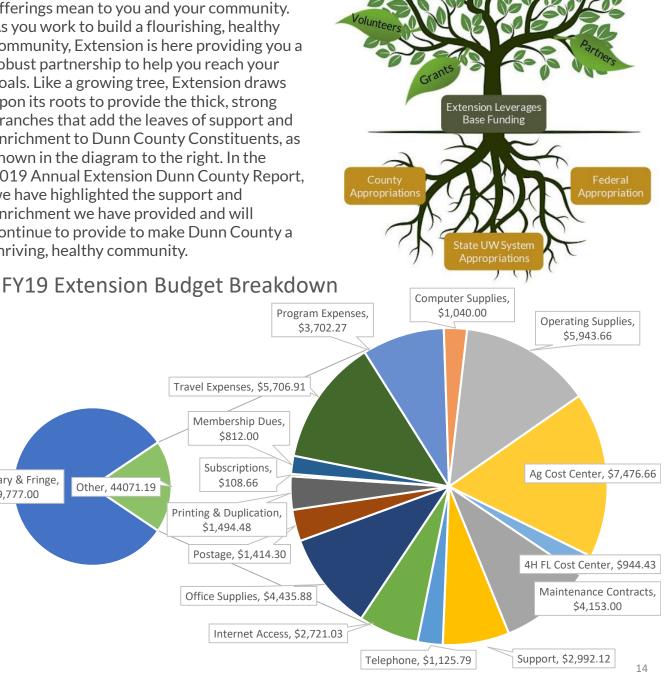
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# **Community Clubs Supported by Extension Dunn County**

14 Community 4-H Clubs, (22ers, Cedarlings, Colfax Comets, Connorsville Comets, Countyliners, Elk Meadow, Hay River Helpers, Ideal, Little Elk Creek, Menomin Helping Hands, Missouri Valley, Rock Falls Rockets, Sand Creek Pipers, and Willing Workers) as well as 8 countywide 4-H interest clubs (Dairy Judging Project, Dog Project, Horse Project, Horseless Horse Project, Meat Animal Project, Shooting Sports, Small Animal Project, and Youth Activities Council). 1 weekly after school club (Building Bridges Youth Program), Boys and Girls Club, 7 HCE Chapters, and The Master Gardener Volunteers

## **Collaborations with Community Agencies**

Bridge to Hope, House of Hope, Catholic Charities, Churches, Children's Service Society, Eau Claire Family Resource Center, Head Start, Stepping Stones, Workforce Resource, Arbor Place, Positive Alternatives, United Way, Red Cross, West CAP, Mayo Health Systems, Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Menomonie, UW-Stout, UW-River Falls, UW-Eau Claire, Chippewa Valley Technical College, Dunn County Farm Bureau and Young Farmer Agriculturist, Main Street, Menomonie. Menomonie, Boyceville, Colfax & Elk Mound School Districts, USDA Farm Service Agency and Natural Resources Conservation Services, Dunn County Farmers Union, Menomonie Farmer's Market, and local convenience stores

# **Collaborations with County Entities**

W2, 8 Senior Meal Sites, WIC, Public Health, Immunization Clinics, CJCC, Juvenile Justice Sub-Committee, Birth-3, Diversion Court, Energy Assistance, the Dunn County Fair Board, Human Services Department of Children and Families, Fish & Game, Land and Water Conservation, the Economic Development Corporation, Land Information Services, Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), and Veterans Service

## Committees Extension Educators led or participated in

Dunn County Soil and Water Health Partnership, Western Wisconsin Ag Lenders, Chippewa Valley Farm-City Day, Dunn County Dairy Promotion Committee, Alice in Dairyland Steering Committee, CVTC Farm Production Management Program Advisory Committee, Emergency Food & Shelter Collaborative, Resiliency Committee, Truancy Prevention, Dunn County Health Watch, Dunn County Partnership for Youth, Dunn County Health Improvement Cooperative, Eat Well Dunn County, Hmong Friendship Center, Eau Claire Area Hmong Mutual Assistance Association, Health Dunn Right, and Healthy Food Retail Collaboration with Dunn, Chippewa, & Eau Claire Counties

#### **Agriculture Extension Mandated Programs**

Private Pesticide Applicator Training (PAT) and Certification.

• State Statute ATCP 29 Wisconsin's Administrative Rule on Pesticide Use and Control. Extension has an agreement with DATCP to train farmers and proctor the exam.

## Tractor and Machinery Safety and Certification

• Federal regulation 29 CFR 570 Subpart E-1. also State Statute 36.32 Extension partners with local high school vocational agriculture instructors. Extension develops curriculum and material, performs instructor training and coordination.

#### Livestock Premises Identification

• Wisconsin Act 229, 95.36 UW-Extension serves as a local partner with the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium assisting livestock owners' complete the appropriate paperwork to comply with Wisconsin Livestock Premises Identification requirements.

## Beef and Pork Quality Assurance and Youth for the Quality Care of Animals

• This is a National Beef and Pork Board administrative rule that states that producers and youth must complete training and become certified to be able to market their livestock. Extension is one of the primary trainers for BQA, PQA, and YQCA and can sign certification cards indicating that the training has been completed.

#### **Emergency Government**

• Homeland Security Presidential Directive -5. Establishment of NIMS. Extension is one of numerous county partners trained to perform duties as part of the Dunn County Disaster Assessment Team.

## Farm Worker Safety Education

• OSHA directive CPL 04-00 (LEP 009) for Wisconsin Dairy Farms, was established in late 2011. It requires dairy farms with over 11 employees to provide safety training to their workers. Extension provides this training for skid loader safety and cattle handling to meet this mandate placed on local dairy producers as well as providing walk through and check list reviews.

#### **4-H Program Mandated Program**

#### Youth Protection Program

• 4-H Adult Volunteers must complete the Youth Protection Program to serve in leadership roles in 4-H Clubs. This includes background checks, volunteer orientation training, and mandated reporter training.

#### **Human Development & Relationships Mandated Programs**

#### Parent's Forever

Dunn County Courts require divorcing parents to take Parents Forever per State Statue 767.401: During the
pendency of a divorce or paternity action, the court may order the parties to attend a class that is approved by
the court and that addresses such issues as child development, family dynamics, how parental separation
affects a child's development, and what parents can do to make raising a child in a separated situation less
stressful for the child.

#### **Federally Funded Nutrition Education Programs**

#### FoodWlse

• Title III of the Older American Act funds meals and address food insecurities. State Policy and Procedure Manual of the Wisconsin Aging Network, Chapter 8—8.4.4 states Nutrition Education will be provided a minimum of four times per year (one time per quarter) to participants in congregate and home delivered meal programs. Where feasible, each program will provide monthly nutrition education suitable to participant needs and interest.

#### Food Share Employment Training Program

• This is a federal requirement that can help some FoodShare members meet the work requirements in order to continue receiving FoodShare benefits.

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