

Advancing Tennessee

Extension Strategic Plan 2011 and Beyond

Dear Friend,

A **NEW** UT Extension Strategic Plan is being formulated by obtaining opinions from a number of Tennesseans, including statewide Extension personnel, decision-makers, clientele and other stakeholders. The result will be a plan for implementing statewide Extension programs that address the most critical issues facing our state. Our goal is that these programs will improve Tennessee's economic security, environmental vitality and quality of life.

The responses we receive to this survey, from you and other citizens, will assist us in preparing for the future and in making Extension efficient and effective.

This will be an anonymous, voluntary survey. You may stop at anytime. It will take 20 minutes or less to complete. Your responses will be grouped with those of other citizens across the state. Your participation is very important. Please contact us with any questions about this survey.

Yours truly,

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Programs in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H youth development, family and consumer sciences, and resource development.

University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture and county governments cooperating.

UT Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.

Please answer these questions about UT Extension's relevance and usefulness. Check the

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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know
Q1. UT Extension programs are relevant to my needs.						
Q2. When a community issue arises, UT Extension is quick to respond.						
Q3. It is clear why UT Extension conducts the programs it does.						
Q4. People know about UT Extension in my community.						
Q5. I learn new things from UT Extension programs.						
Q6. I am better off because of UT Extension.						
Q7. My community is better off because of UT Extension.						
Q8. UT Extension is worth the money.						
Q9. UT Extension duplicates the services of other organizations.						
Q10. UT Extension effectively markets its services to the people of Tennessee.						
Q11. The information I receive from UT Extension is useful.						
Q12. UT Extension has benefitted my family and me.						
Q13. I depend on UT Extension for information to solve problems.						
Q14. UT Extension should charge a fee for some programs.						
Q15. UT Extension should charge a fee for some publications.						

Q16. What UT Extension programs provide the greatest benefit to your community?
Q17. What is ONE thing you would like to change about UT Extension?
Q18. Think about social, political, and economic changes or trends in your community. What is the ONE most important change or trend that will affect your community over the next five years?
Q19. How did you first learn about UT Extension?
☐ FRIEND/NEIGHBOR ☐ LOCAL EXTENSION AGENT ☐ LOCAL EXTENSION OFFICE ☐ NEWSLETTER ☐ RADIO ☐ SOCIAL MEDIA (YOU TUBE, FACEBOOK, TWITTER, ETC.) ☐ TV ☐ WEBSITE ☐ OTHER, PLEASE LIST:

Q20. How do you prefer to learn something new? Check the box to indicate if you prefer, sometimes prefer, or do not prefer the following methods.

	Prefer	Sometimes Prefer	Do Not Prefer
BOOK/MANUAL			
CD/DVD			
DEMONSTRATION			
DISCUSSION			
FACT SHEET			
FIELD DAY			
HANDS-ON			
LECTURE/SEMINAR			
MEETING			
Newsletter			
Newspaper			
ONE-ON-ONE			
ONLINE/WEB-BASED			
RADIO			
Tour			
TV			
Workshop			

Q21. In which UT Extension program(s) have you personally participated? Please mark all that apply. ☐ AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES ☐ FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES ☐ 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ☐ RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT Q22. How often do you use UT Extension? ☐ MORE THAN ONCE A WEEK – PLEASE GO TO Q22A ☐ WEEKLY— PLEASE GO TO Q22A ☐ SEVERAL TIMES PER MONTH – PLEASE GO TO Q22A ☐ MONTHLY— PLEASE GO TO Q22A ☐ OCCASIONALLY— PLEASE GO TO Q22A ☐ NEVER – PLEASE GO TO Q23 Q22A. Please mark any of the following that are true for you. Please mark all that apply. ☐ I OFTEN ATTEND UT EXTENSION MEETINGS ☐ I OFTEN VISIT MY COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE ☐ I AM A MEMBER OF A CLUB OR GROUP (4-H, FCE, MASTER GARDENERS) ☐ I OFTEN RECEIVE UT EXTENSION NEWSLETTERS ☐ I OFTEN USE THE UT EXTENSION WEBSITE ☐ I SERVE ON A UT EXTENSION ADVISORY COUNCIL Q23. What is your age? ☐ UNDER 18 □ 19-29 \Box 30 – 39 \Box 40 – 49 □ 50 – 59 □ 60 – 69 □ 70 – 79 \square 80 – 89 ☐ 90 YEARS OR OLDER

Because we want this survey to reach all people, will you please answer these next few

questions about yourself?

Q24. What is your gender?
☐ FEMALE ☐ MALE
Q25. What is your race/ethnicity (you may indicate multiple races/ethnicities)?
 □ AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE □ ASIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER □ BLACK, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN □ HISPANIC □ WHITE, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN
Q26. What is your county?
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Q27. How did you find out about this survey?
☐ Invited by Local Extension Office/Extension Personnel☐ UT Extension website☐ Other
Q28. If there is anything else you would like to share that would assist us in the strategic planning effort, please write it below:
Thank you. We appreciate your input. UT Extension Strategic Planning Leadership Team
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