

# Green County UW-Extension

Green County UW-Extension is a division of the University of Wisconsin-Extension and a partnership of the University of Wisconsin and the United States Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the Green County Board of Supervisors and the Agriculture and Extension Education Committee. We serve the educational needs of Green County residents by extending the research and knowledge base of the University system.

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*Growing our economy  
and protecting our  
natural resources*

*Developing leadership  
and life skills in  
youth and adults*



*Enriching the lives of  
families through  
education, community  
connections, and nutrition*



**The University In Your Community**



# ABOUT US

Green County University of Wisconsin Extension brings university knowledge and resources directly to the places Green County residents live and work. We offer Green County residents research based education designed to meet local needs in the areas of Agriculture, Community Resource and Economic Development, 4-H Youth Development, Family Living, and Nutrition.



## THE UNIVERSITY IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Green County UW-Extension faculty are trained to recognize everyday local issues and rapidly changing community needs. By applying knowledge from **research-based education**, we develop **low cost, high impact educational programs** that further enhance the knowledge and resources of Green County residents.



## 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Green County UW-Extension's 4-H Youth Development program creates opportunities for youth to become active and engaged citizens by providing educational opportunities and improving community support.

**Supporting young people by providing quality educational programs for youth and building relationships between youth and adults.**

- Develops leadership and life skills in youth through a variety of projects and activities.
- Provides opportunities for youth and adults to increase their civic involvement and sense of community.
- Promotes best practices for youth engagement and development.
- Provides leadership and support for the 4-H Community Club Program.
- Builds effective community partnership with schools and other agencies that promote positive youth development.
- Enhances teen and adult abilities to plan, conduct, and evaluate educational programs for youth.



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## COMMUNITY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Green County UW-Extension's Community Resource Development program focuses on building local, organizational, and regional capacities for community, economic development, and natural resource protection.

**Building capacity and collaborative partnerships to support informed community decision-making.**

- Provides research-based assessments, strategic planning, and evaluation services to local communities and organizations.
- Enhances organizational development and community leadership.
- Conducts and communicates community development research.
- Supports county and local government.
- Facilitates community planning and visioning processes.
- Promotes informed decision-making and contributes to community development discussions.
- Assists with drinking water testing and provides groundwater education.
- Builds leadership skills by organizing and facilitating the Green County Leaders.



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## AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

Green County UW-Extension's Agriculture and Natural Resources Program focuses on supporting the county's agriculture and horticulture industries while encouraging practices that preserve and protect valued land and water resources.

**Providing objective, research-based information that allows Wisconsin's agricultural industry to be competitive.**

- Enhances agricultural profitability.
- Designs livestock farm structures and ventilation systems.
- Provides dairy and livestock production management information.
- Assists with farm business planning and analysis.
- Offers grain and forage production management information.
- Provides information on milk quality management.
- Provides soil testing services.
- Conducts the Master Gardener program and teaches volunteers to respond to horticultural inquiries.
- Assists with farm succession planning and lease agreements.
- Assists farmers with developing Nutrient Management Plans.



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## FAMILY LIVING

Green County UW-Extension's Family Living Education program focuses on promoting community-based healthy living.

**Providing education focused on family financial security and working to enhance family relationships, parenting, and childcare.**

- Provides research & evidence based education and resources to local childcare providers, parents, and caregivers.
- Provides educational programs to help families manage their economic resources.
- Conducts and communicates research on children and families.
- Provides leadership in family & community diversity issues.
- Distributes information on food safety and nutrition, and teaches & answers questions about food preservation.
- Provides leadership and research-based information to community-based coalitions on housing, mental health, and family issues. These coalitions are actively engaged in making community level changes and impacts.



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## NUTRITION

Green County's Nutrition Education program teaches families how to eat healthy and be more physically active.

**Providing free "Eating Smart, Being Active" lessons to families to help them make healthier food choices and save money.**

### *Parents learn...*

- Ideas for quick, healthy, low-cost meals and snacks.
- How to plan menus kids will eat.
- Tips for saving money at the grocery store.
- Food preparation and safety.
- Fun, easy ways for their families to be more active.

### *What parents are saying...*

- "We are watching our children's sugar intake more carefully."
- "I'm adding more vegetables to my cooking and my son is trying them."
- "It helps us learn to plan meals and how to spend our money better."
- "You learn about food labels like the percentage part. It helps give information about what you are buying and eating."



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