AGRI LIFE
EXTENSION

HELPING TEXAS THRIVE

ABOUT

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is a unique education agency that provides programs, tools and resources on a local and statewide level that teach people how to improve agriculture and food production, advance health practices, protect the environment, strengthen the economy and enrich youth.

With 250 county offices serving Texans in all 254 counties, county Extension agents and specialists serve families, youth, communities and businesses throughout the state.

People
Through a statewide network of professional educators, trained volunteers and county offices, AgriLife Extension addresses the diverse range of contemporary and emerging issues that affect local communities.

Partnerships
AgriLife Extension partners with many external organizations, including thousands of trained volunteers, to deliver local programming. The agency is also empowering the next generation of leaders in Texas through programs like 4-H, the state’s largest youth development program.

Programs
Helping Texans lead healthy lifestyles and empowering our food and fiber industries is just a small part of AgriLife Extension’s continuing education. Through programs that range from field days to web-based classes covering a wide variety of life sciences, the agency is committed to serving all Texans.

LOOKING AHEAD

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service 2021-2025 Strategic Plan builds upon our values and mission to focus on our strengths and utilize innovative technology to serve many Texans in impactful and lasting ways.

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**PROGRAMS**

AgriLife Extension personnel have the expertise to provide programs in the areas of:

- Supporting production agriculture
- Empowering Youth
- Improving Texas’ health, nutrition and safety
- Protecting natural resources

Extending the latest research results to Texans, AgriLife Extension's programs, tools and services address a diverse range of traditional and emerging issues that affect Texas communities.

In addition to providing educational tools and programs, our agency administers services such as soil analysis, water testing, pest identification, plant disease diagnosis and wildlife damage management.

We also offer technical certification and training, teaching thousands of people each year who provide essential services and positive economic results.

**BUDGET**

Available funding budget FY22 ($160M)

- State Appropriations ($68M)
- Contracts, Grants and User Fees ($40M)
- County Funds ($38M)
- Federal Appropriations ($14M)

Distribution of resources by program area FY22

- Ag and Natural Resources: 54%
- Wildlife Services: 24%
- Leadership and Education: 17%
- Health and Safety Education: 5%

**REACHING EVERY COUNTY**

- Texas A&M University and Agency Headquarters
- Texas A&M AgriLife District Office
- Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center
- Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service County Office

**WORKFORCE**

The total workforce of 1,812 full-time equivalent positions is made up of 1,454 positions budgeted by the agency and 360 county-funded personnel who work in the county Extension offices. The agency’s cost for administration and shared administrative services is only 3.5% of its total budgeted expense.