WELCOME TO AGRILIFE EXTENSION!
FOR MORE THAN 100 YEARS, WE HAVE IMPROVED TEXANS’ LIVES THROUGH INNOVATIVE, SCIENCE-BASED SOLUTIONS AND EDUCATION IN COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE STATE.
MISSION AND HISTORY
HELPING TEXANS THRIVE

OUR MISSION
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service works daily to make Texas better by providing innovative solutions at the intersection of agriculture, natural resources, youth and health, thereby improving the well-being of individuals, families, businesses and communities through education and service.

OUR VISION
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will be the leader in providing science-based information and solutions in agriculture and health to every Texan.

OUR VALUES
We value People, Programs and Partnerships.
**HISTORY**

1887
- Congress passed the Hatch Experiment Station Act of 1887 which led to the founding of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at the Agricultural & Mechanical College of Texas.

1915
- To help the land-grant universities extend their findings to the farmers and ranchers that relied on their advancements, Congress passed the Smith-Lever Act in 1914. The Texas Agricultural Extension Service was established on January 29, 1915.

1948
- In 1948, the Extension agency was incorporated with six other agencies into the newly established Texas A&M University System.

2012
- Texas Agricultural Extension Service changed its name in 2001 to Texas Cooperative Extension and again in 2008 to Texas AgriLife Extension Service. Finally, on September 1, 2012, the agency incorporated “A&M” into its name becoming Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.
"At the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, we have a universal understanding that Texas is filled with the most inspiring people, businesses and communities."

Rick Avery, Ph.D.
Director of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
WE SERVICE ALL 254 COUNTIES IN TEXAS
EXTENDING ACROSS TEXAS

AGENTS

VOLUNTEERS

SPECIALISTS
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

HELPING TEXANS BETTER THEIR LIVES
4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

4-H is the nation’s largest youth development program. Through local 4-H programs, kids and teens learn valuable life skills and participate in project areas like health, science, agriculture and civic engagement.

- Conduct trainings & workshops
- Work with kids aging from third grade to seniors in highschool
- Work with 4-H clubs & school programs
- Work with volunteers and parents
- 381,935 youth reached through participation in 4-H activities
AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES
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Helping Texans safeguard the state’s natural environment and natural resources is a big part of our work at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Program Areas
- Agriculture & Natural Resources
- Horticulture
- Integrated Pest Management
- Coastal Marine
- Agronomy

Impact
- Provides leadership to help solve social, economic & environmental problems
- Work with producers, agri-businesses, community leaders, councils, agents & specialists

Focus
- Nourishing Our State and World
- Responsive Stewardship
FAMILY & COMMUNITY HEALTH
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The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service has a variety of materials, programs and resources for promoting the lives and health of Texans. These include an array of nutrition, health and wellness materials and programs for both youth and adult audiences, including many community-driven programs.

Program Areas
- Family & Community Health
- Better Living for Texans
- Healthy South Texas
- Expanded Food & Nutrition Education Program
- Health

Impact
- Reduce chronic disease risk through nutrition and physical activity
- Promote a habit of physical activity
- Demonstrate quick and healthy meals
- Promote safe food handling practices
- Educate child care providers and parents
- Promote mental health awareness and wellness resources
- Engage volunteers
DISASTER ASSESSMENT & RECOVERY

We are dedicated to educating citizens about disaster mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. To support Texans, we provide a wide variety of educational resources to reduce the impact of natural and man-made disasters on individuals, families and communities.

Experts in Response and Recovery

- Emergency Preparedness Emergency Response & Recovery
- Plan for Risk Reduction
- Support Community Health
- Teach mitigation and recovery
- Collaborate with other agencies
- Operate animal supply points
- Assess damage
- Teach recovery workshops
- Conduct Mental Health First Aid trainings
- Act as liaisons
- Provide expert help
250 OFFICES
SERVING ALL 254 COUNTIES IN TEXAS

20.8 MILLION
ANNUAL DIRECT TEACHING CONTACTS

4,500,000
HOURS OF SERVICE
1,745+ EMPLOYEES ACROSS TEXAS

1,370 AGRILIFE FUNDED POSITIONS

375 COUNTY FUNDED POSITIONS
STRENGTHEN TEXAS WITH US

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
- Disaster Relief
SEE YOURSELF WITH EXTENSION

DESIRE TO SERVE OTHERS | PEOPLE SKILLS | INTEGRITY
ORGANIZED | TEACHING AND FACILITATION SKILLS
CONFLICT MANAGEMENT | ABILITY TO MULTITASK WELL
COMPASSIONATE | SUBJECT-MATTER EXPERTISE
SELFLESS SERVICE | COMMUNITY FOCUSED
At Agrilife Extension, we are...
A CULTURE OF CARING
MORE THAN A TEAM.
A FAMILY.
MORE THAN A JOB. A CALLING.
THE AUTONOMY AND FLEXIBILITY YOU WANT. THE PURPOSE YOU NEED.
JOIN OUR EXTENSION FAMILY

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Stay up to date on the latest information for programs, events and opportunities you can get involved in!