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Making a Local Difference

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Since 1917, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service has played a key role in communities across Texas to provide science-based education, programming and service opportunities. Our strategic commitment to the historic Land Grant mission of our agency is made possible through our partnership with the Commissioners Courts and elected leadership of men and women **across all 254 counties** in the Lone Star State.

Counties provide salary support, additional staffing, operating costs, and travel, which account for over **\$38 million** in direct support of our agency. This partnership allows the Extension Agent Network to not just operate across Texas, but it helps us become a part of the community and a force multiplier for the work and functions of local county government to **serve Texans where they need us**.

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service also serves county elected officials across Texas through the educational efforts and support from the **V.G. Young Institute of County Government**, established in 1969 to assist county officials with their educational needs and to help coordinate their continuing education across the state. This investment from the agency, as well as the community involvement and service of our Extension Agent Network, will enhance our relationship with Texas counties and local government for many years to come.



county in Texas 20.6M annual direct teaching contacts

offices serving every

83,477 volunteers giving 3.19 million hours of service valued at \$101 million

407,000 youth reached through participation in 4-H activities

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension is an equal opportunity employer and program provider. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

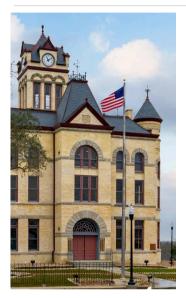


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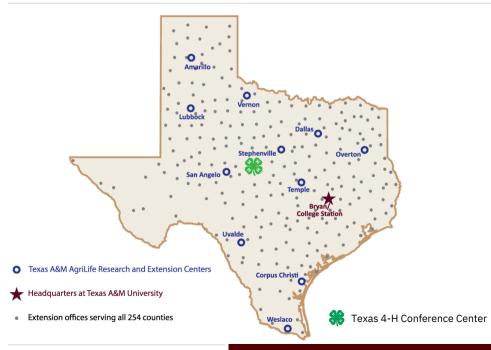
Building Better Communities



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> The indirect support of our county programs is immense, as counties provide office space for our agents and staff, often in the courthouse or other high visibility locations. Counties also provide support through facilities for our educational programs to be conducted, such as multi-purpose centers, livestock facilities, garden space, 4-H arenas and shooting sports facilities, and the list continues. There is no other state agency that has the level of physical presence in each county that Texas A&M AgriLife Extension has, and that is made possible due to the partnership established many years ago with Commissioners Courts.

Reaching Every County in Texas



Serving Texans Where They Need Us

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.

Through a statewide network of professional educators, trained volunteers, and county offices, Extension addresses the diverse range of contemporary and emerging issues that affect local communities, and we provide educational programming that addresses the needs of Texans.

Visit AgriLife Extension's website for more information about specific programs and contact information for your local county AgriLife Extension office.

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