

Cheyenne & Deuel Counties Impact At-A-Glance



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Nebraska Extension organized Progressive Agriculture Safety Day for 2nd grade youth in Cheyenne & Deuel Counties. Over 125 students attended the event.

Progressive Agriculture Safety Day is an ag literacy program that helps youth learn about a variety of safety topics including sun, water, electricity, seat belt, and weather. Throughout the day students rotate to a variety of different stations that give them an opportunity for hands-on learning. One teacher that attended said, "Safety Day is a great experience for students to get out of the classroom and experience hands-on training in safety. They get to learn about ways to be safe in different kinds of weather and environments. Safety Day is a great time for fun and learning!"

Programs At-A-Glance

- Extension Educators provided pesticide training in Cheyenne and Deuel Counties with 100 adults completed the training.
- Extension Educators supported businesses and chambers by facilitating several Red Carpet Training events with over 50 local business employees participating.

718

PreK through 4th grade students were impacted by a 4-H Ag Literacy Program

**STRENGTHEN NEBRASKA
AGRICULTURE & FOOD SYSTEMS**

1,387

Youth were involved in a 4-H School Enrichment Program in Cheyenne and Deuel Counties

**INSPIRE NEBRASKANS & THEIR
COMMUNITIES**

200+

Hours were donated by local high school students participating in the Rural Fellows Program

**ENHANCE THE HEALTH & WELLBEING
OF ALL NEBRASKANS**

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Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities Conference

Public Value

The CEC Conference educates attendees on various tools and resources available to assist them in helping their communities grow and prosper. Participants bring back techniques to increase rural prosperity in their own communities, which creates value for those who were not able to attend.

The Situation

The initial need identified by the Community Vitality team was to help communities become more entrepreneurially friendly in their effort to attract, grow and retain business enterprises. However, we recognize that community needs have since shifted to broader questions around building and maintaining quality of life systems to support local people and businesses.

Extension Response

These needs were addressed by creating an annual conference to provide a launching pad for tools and programs available to communities, showcasing the vast resources available through the University of Nebraska, as well as bringing together other partner groups and organizations with resources for communities, and encouraging peer learning among progressive communities. Educating local leaders on tools and resources available increases capacity for growth and development across the state.

Impacts

In 2023, 99 community leaders from across the state attended the conference.

100% of respondents to the evaluation said they learned something new at the conference.

"CEC does just what the name implies – it connects the most entrepreneurial communities across Nebraska. It brings together people who see a bright future for our state." -2023 CEC attendee



Participant Feedback

"I learned a wealth of information I am working through and preparing to implement."

"We will be evaluating new partnerships with Extension and Rural Prosperity Nebraska to double down on their great work!"

"I now feel comfortable reaching out to other leaders to ask questions if we face similar challenges."

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Stakeholders: City of Valentine, Cherry County Tourism.

Extension Big 3 Alignment

- Strengthen Nebraska Agriculture & Food Systems
- Inspire Nebraskans & Their Communities
- Enhance The Health & Wellbeing of All Nebraskans