

Knox County 2024 Impact At-A-Glance

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Rural Prosperity Nebraska partnerships fostered strong relationships, aligned resources and expertise, and helped Knox County community members see themselves in a positive light—enabling them to address significant opportunities and challenges.

Rural Prosperity Nebraska, in partnership with Knox County Economic Development, was awarded a \$248,000 USDA Rural Placemaking Innovation Challenge Grant. Through this grant, six community conversations were held in Knox County, during which the results of the professional First Impressions visits were shared. Ninety-two residents attended, representing various sectors of the community. Additionally, the Rural Placemaking Innovation Challenge provided opportunities for Knox County residents to attend a grant writing workshop, host a "Red Carpet Service Training," and engage locals through a "Peer-to-Peer tour," which brought together 15 residents. This partnership helped Knox County communities move projects from paper to implementation.

Programs At-A-Glance
A total of 112 Knox County middle school youth participated in the Secrets of Service program, where they learned about the importance of customer service in the workplace and the responsible ethical behavior needed both in the community and on the job.

256
adult and youth volunteers offer their time to help guide and support the Knox County 4-H program.

1,394
Knox County youth received educational STEM and leadership programming through school enrichment.

70%
of farmers in the Bazile Groundwater Management Area enhanced their knowledge of soil health.

Big 3 STRENGTHEN NEBRASKA AGRICULTURE & FOOD SYSTEMS

INSPIRE NEBRASKANS & THEIR COMMUNITIES

ENHANCE THE HEALTH & WELLBEING OF ALL NEBRASKANS