

EXTENSION TRENDS: **WASHINGTON COUNTY**

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2024 By the Numbers

- **912** direct contacts
- **736** youth participants
- **28** volunteers
- **2,223** volunteers hours
- **\$5,000** extramural funding

Our Advisory Council

Special thanks to our volunteers who help shape programming and inform the work we do for UI Extension in Washington County: Brooke Mink, Ryan Barton, Justin Mink, Eddie an Shannon Sprinkel, Royce and Pam Schwenkfelder, Mark Moura and Gordon Wilkerson.

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2024 Impact

UI Extension is making a difference in the community through many different avenues and exploring new ways to make an impact. Two different schools were held in Cambridge this year, both relating to heifer development, where producers learned new strategies to raise heifers efficiently. In addition, a Master Gardener program began in Washington County with the help of other Extension educators. Volunteers in this program diagnosed 19 different plant or pest issues, in addition to constructing raised beds for the UI Extension office beautification project.

4-H in Washington County

Washington County 4-H experienced another year of growth in 2024 with 186 enrolled youth. The Washington County Fair had a great year of fundraising for the new addition to the livestock barn to house increased projects. Youth also gained valuable knowledge through a series of animal science clinics, with over 150 attendees over the course of the three clinics.

On the Horizon

UI Extension, Washington County will continue to offer a winter beef program, as well as continuing the Master Gardener program for 2025.