

Master Family & Consumer Sciences Volunteer Program

Toolkit for Volunteer Development

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Resource Development

Lesson Objectives

After participation in this lesson, you will be able to:

- Discuss benefits of Family & Consumer Sciences
- Identify types of resources
- Decipher agencies/organizations to collaborate with to develop and expand programming and services
- Develop ideas for finding resources



Communicating the Value of Family & Consumer Sciences

- Benefits
- Important characteristics
- Impact on communities and quality of living
- Emphasizes the need for resources



Benefits of Family & Consumer Sciences

- Teaches essential life skills
- Uses unbiased research
- Helps families meet and solve complex and diverse challenges



Benefits of Family & Consumer Sciences

- Empower individuals, families and communities to improve their quality of living
- Impart decision-making skills, confidence and subject knowledge to solve problems



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Challenges



Resources

Resources

Resources



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Strengthen Families, Farms, Communities and the Economy



Types of Resources

Human

Materials

Time

Natural

Financial



Human Resources

Human resources are the physical and/or intellectual efforts that individuals provide to develop programming and services, which include:

- Extension faculty and staff
- Volunteers
- Experts/Intelligence
- Influential People
- Community Members



Materials Resources

Materials resources are tangible and intangible good used for the creation of activities to meet human needs or wants. Materials resources include:

- Space
(Buildings/Office/Room/Site)
- Equipment and Supplies
- Technology and Media
- Vehicles
- Food and Drink



Time Resources

Time is a limited resource that does not change or fluctuate, but our abilities to manage time is vital to successfully reach goals. Time resources include:

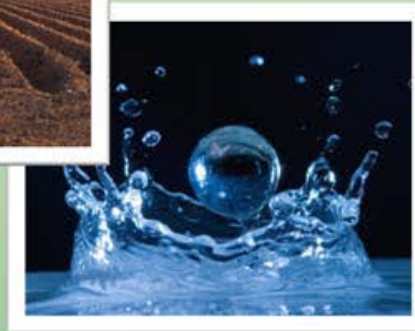
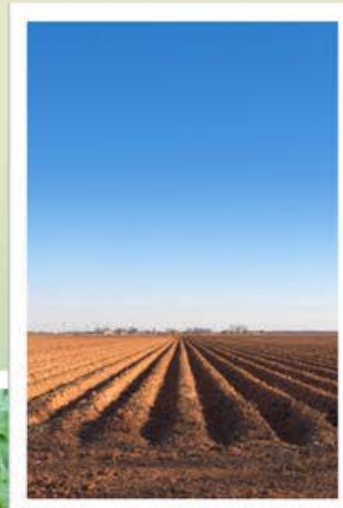
- Allotting time
- Time management
- Return on investment



Natural Resources

Natural resources occur, within environments that exist relatively undisturbed by humanity, in a natural form.

- Land
- Energy
- Water
- Plants
- Food



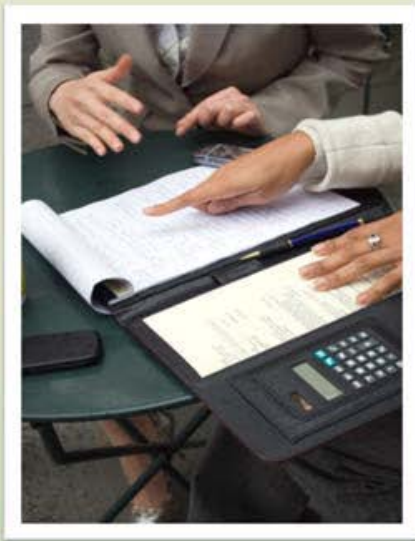
Financial Resources

Financial resources are the money, savings, and other financial assets that we use to support aspects of educational programs, including staff, facilities, educational materials, supplies, and publicity. Financial resources are:

- Money, Savings, Other Assets
- Budgeting, Accounting and Record keeping



Identifying Resources



Conduct an assessment to match goals with resources

Input from community members and participants



Identifying Resources



Develop a plan for acquiring resources

Identify formal and informal
collaborations



Finding Resources

- Government Agencies
- Experts/Influential People
- Businesses
- Organizations
- Human/health services
- University programs/personnel
- Individuals



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Why People Give



In Review

Resource development:

- Implies a deliberate process of gathering people and assets to prepare for the future
- Building relationships
- Communicating the value and benefits of Extension Family & Consumer Sciences programs



Activities and Post Test



Please proceed to the next slides to complete the activities and post test.



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Activity

Choose an educational program that you may serve and work with as a volunteer with Family & Consumer Sciences.

Make a list of the resources that you will need to plan, implement, and evaluate this program.

Remember that we characterize resources into the following dimensions: human; materials; time; natural; and financial.

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Activity

Make a list of possible resources in your geographic area.

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