



EXTENSION

# 2025 IMPACT ON OKLAHOMA

## EXTENSION HIGHLIGHTS

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### Extension Educators & State Specialists

Across all 77 Oklahoma counties, educators and state specialists provide education, resources and training in:

- 4-H youth development
- Agriculture and natural resources
- Family and consumer sciences
- Community health
- Community economic development

### OSU Extension is

A lifelong learning hub, from families with infants to 4-H youth, adults and seniors.

A rapid response team including crop or livestock disease, economic downturns and local disasters.

A STEM education network, in all our program areas.

## AGRICULTURE

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### Pesticide Safety Education Program

The OSU Extension Pesticide Safety Education Program provides training for all Oklahoma applicators and pesticide information for all Oklahomans. In 2025, OSU Extension provided **52 continuing education units** at **64 education events**, totaling **2,998 attendee hours** for pesticide applicators across the state, with an **estimated value of \$74,950** to attendees. This program also supports our goal of creating more sustainable cropping systems by providing applicators with current information on proper pesticide utilization.

## 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

**14.1K** enrolled participants  
**1.3K** adults certified  
**500** youth volunteers

**183.1K** youth reached through 4-H programs

**25.8K** youth participated in STEM programs

**30.7K** youth participated in civic engagement and leadership programs

**39.2K** youth participated in healthy living programs

**49.7K** youth participated in agriculture programs

**15.9K** youth participated in environmental education programs

## COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### 1.9K Participants

OSU Extension provided training in proper solid waste management to over 1,900 participants in 2025. This training protects Oklahoma and our environment from the harmful impacts of improper disposal of unwanted waste materials generated from homes, industries, agricultural operations and commercial and community activities.

### Hotspot Lending Programs

Since 2017, OSU Extension has partnered with **33 rural Oklahoma libraries** to establish “hotspot lending programs” for patrons without regular home internet connection, lending out approximately **130 devices** per location per year.

## FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

### Reality Check

An interactive financial simulation teaching basic life skills was held for:



**2.9K Students**



**23 High Schools & Technology Centers**



**15 Counties**

Resulting in:

**12% Increase**  
in the intent of youth to be careful with their money.

**4% Increase**  
in knowledge of the importance of saving money in a bank.

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