



SUPPORT EXTENSION

Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service (OCES) is a valuable asset to the Oklahoma communities and families. In partnership with the Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, OSU Extension helps Oklahomans better manage their resources and solve local issues and concerns. Extension offices in every county across the state promote youth leadership and provide access to a wealth of science-based education and research. Such programs include 4-H, Master Gardeners, and diverse offerings that cover many aspects of life.

“OCES programming impacts individual lives, families, businesses and communities to benefit Oklahomans and help improve our state. They address timely issues raised through local connections. With access to OCES educational resources, people can be personally and professionally better off.”

- Dr. Damona Doye
OCES Associate Vice President



Local Extension Educators host workshops, demonstrations, conferences, webinars, 4-H Clubs, provide research-based education and conduct thousands of one-on-one consultations. They are supported by area, district and state specialists in researched-based program development and delivery.

PROGRAMS FOCUS ON:

- Increasing opportunities for agricultural enterprises
- Natural resources and environmental management
- Food, nutrition, health and safety education
- Youth, family and community development

Federal, state and local government funding have fueled these incredible Extension programs. **But state funding cuts are impacting personnel as well as program delivery.** The support and generosity from the communities served by Extension offices has never been more important.

Extension aims to diversify the revenue base, including growing resources in the form of donations. The OCES Excellence Fund has been established as a way for supporters to contribute. **The Excellence Fund will enhance the Extension mission with funds used solely to support the operations of the OCES.** Together, we can secure Extension's legacy into the future.





HOW TO HELP FUND PROGRAMMING FOR EXTENSION

Donations and endowments help keep Extension services at the highest standard for OSU and DASNR. Increased funding will support Extension in their incredible educational work that is relied on by so many. You can support the OCES Excellence Fund by visiting OSUgiving.com/your-passion/extension.

ENDOWMENTS SUPPORT EXTENSION

- An individual, company or organization may create and/or endow funds that can be donated as a lump sum or over a period of time to help financially support Extension. Creating endowments that last in perpetuity provides sustained annual funding.
- You can include OSU and Extension in your estate plans to establish endowments to build a lasting legacy.
- The funds from an endowment can help local Extension offices by supporting an Extension educator or paraprofessional position, general operating expenses, and/or expenses related to a course or program.
- Additionally, funds can establish endowments for Extension area specialists, faculty, research, programming support, scholarships and more.

Endowments are an integral part of maintaining high quality Extension services and other university programs. The endowment minimum is \$25,000, but outright annual support of any value can be contributed to existing funds such as the OCES Excellence Fund. Endowments to fully fund a local educator position would be substantially higher.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SUPPORT EXTENSION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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