



DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

SUPPORT EXTENSION

OSU Extension is a valuable asset to 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. Programs include 4-H, Master Gardeners, and diverse offerings that cover many aspects of life.



Federal, state and local government funding have fueled these incredible Extension programs. **But state funding cuts have impacted personnel as well as program delivery.** The support and generosity of 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 Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service 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.

"OSU Extension programs impact individual lives, families, businesses and communities to benefit Oklahomans and help improve our state. Programs address timely issues raised through local connections. With access to Extension resources, people are personally and professionally better off."

Dr. Damona Doye | OCES
Associate Vice President

Local Extension Educators host workshops, demonstrations, conferences, webinars and 4-H Clubs to provide education plus 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





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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