



ANNUAL REPORT

MSU Extension Marquette County

Food • Ag • Youth • Health • Environment • Community

Since 1914, the Michigan State University (MSU) Extension has helped residents in Marquette County improve their lives through an educational process that applies knowledge to critical issues, needs, and opportunities.

67

Programs hosted in Marquette County

2,155

Participants attended programs hosted in Marquette County

408

MSU Extension Programs (in county, online or statewide) were attended by Marquette County residents

3,784

Marquette County Residents attended MSU Extension Programs (in county, online or statewide)

36,049

Facebook reach

1093

Individual class sessions attended

37

Submissions to Ask Extension

57

Programs delivered by Marquette County staff

MARQUETTE COUNTY STAFF

5

Extension Educators

1

Community Nutrition Instructor

1

4-H Program Coordinator

.5

AmeriCorps Aide

27

Partnerships and Coalitions

MARQUETTE COUNTY FOCUS AREAS

Agriculture

MSU Extension works to increase farmers' success while protecting the environment, ensuring food safety, reaching new markets and advancing agriculture through applied research. Agriculture is now one of the fastest growing sectors of the Michigan economy.

- Residential and commercial soil testing
- Heroes to Hives
- Pollinator Champions
- Mi Great Beer state and trade show
- Consumer Horticulture/Ask Extension
- Virtual equine health series
- Michigan bee keepers association Spring conference
- U.P. Agriculture for Tomorrow Conference

Environment

Our natural resources programs improve public understanding, help landowners and communities use those assets for sustainable long-term social and economic development and conserve natural resources for future generations.

- Citizen science:MICorps cooperative lakes monitoring program
- Great Lakes angler diary Michigan river steal head project
- Lake Superior Fisheries workshop
- Adaptive gardening with Bay Cliff staff
- Birding 101 Fall refresher

Community

Successful and thriving communities combine knowledgeable and engaged legislators, businesses, community groups and residents. By connecting these groups with the most trusted tools, MSU Extension helps enhance the quality of life in Michigan.

- Farm Field Trips Spring 2022
- Citizen Planner
- Safe Routes to School in Powell Township and sustainable built environment initiative

Community (cont.)

- AgriPalooza
- Product center client consultations
- Start seeds save seeds program
- MARESA Transition Program Participants Learn New Skills at UPREC

Health & Nutrition

MSU Extension's programming promotes healthy lifestyles and empowers Michigan residents to take control of their health. Participants learn how to build nutritious diets on a budget, reduce foodborne diseases and become leaders in the food industry.

- Michigan Cottage Food Law
- Preserving Michigan Harvest
- Serve safe- Marquette County Health Department
- Tai Chi for arthritis
- Great garden detective
- Bay Cliff health camp series
- Youth Food Preservation - Canning
- Kids R Us farm field trip
- Show me nutrition- KI Sawyer
- Eat smart live strong Marquette Mill Creek club house
- RELAX alternatives to anger

4-H Programs and Youth

Keeping Michigan families strong and successful—financially, emotionally and physically—is a big part of measuring MSU Extension's success. Programs devoted to keeping families safe include those dealing with bullying and violence prevention.

- Teen movie series
- Cooking at Home with the U.S. Navy
- Babysitting Club- YMCA
- Pocket club- Marquette Children's museum
- Embryology Sawyer Elementary and Gilbert Elementary
- Pet Patrol spin club at U PAWS
- 4-H Washington focus
- Lake Superior gardening club
- Exploration Days
- State youth leadership council training

4-H Marquette County

*According to research completed by the Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development at Tufts University, 4-H'ers are **4X** more likely to make contributions to their communities, **2X** more likely to be civically active, and **2X** more likely to make healthier choices.*

23
Clubs

283
Members

235
Organized 4-H
Community Club
members

48
Special
Interest/
Short Term

18
Adult
Volunteers