UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO EXTENSION 4-H.... MAKING THE BEST BETTER

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OVERVIEW

- Historical path
- UI Extension and 4-H Today
- Our Future
WHY WAS EXTENSION CREATED?

- Morrill Act - 1862
- Hatch Act - 1887
- Smith-Lever Act – 1914
- Idaho’s Extension Agents – 1913
- College of Agricultural and Life Sciences
EXTENSION PARTNERSHIP
University of Idaho Extension improves people’s lives by…

…engaging the University and our communities through research based education. Our areas of expertise are Agriculture, Community Development, Family and Consumer Sciences, Natural Resources and Youth Development.
OUR TEAM
STATEWIDE PRESENCE

- 42 County Extension Offices
- 3 Indian Reservation Offices
- 9 Research and Extension Centers
OUR TEAM

- Faculty positions
  - 70 County Educator positions (3 vacant)
  - 15 Area Educator positions
  - 48 Specialists
  - 7.5 Administrators
- 60 Program Coordinators & Extension Associates
Leadership, Support and subject matter specialties.

- Positive Youth Development, community collaborations
- Volunteer Management, orientation, training, conflict resolution
- Healthy Living
- Project-based science program
- Citizenship, Teen Leadership, Military, International, conferences, trips
LOCAL 4-H PERSONNEL

- Extension educators
- 4-H Program Coordinators
- 4-H Program Assistants
- Temporary Help
- Summer Interns
SNAP SHOT OF CURRENT PROGRAM
MISSION MANDATES

- Healthy living
- Citizenship
- Science
The Tufts 4-H Study of PYD:

3x more likely to CONTRIBUTE

2x more likely to pursue SCIENCE

2x more likely to go to COLLEGE

Less Likely to be involved in risky behavior

Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development at Tufts University
FINANCES

- 4-H Clubs
- 4-H County Volunteer Associations (Leaders' Council)
- 4-H Affiliates
- County Accounts (UI Extension and County Partnerships)
- UI Extension financial support
3200 Adult Volunteers

- Background Check
- Basics of Youth Development
- Subject matter training
- Passionate!