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2015 SOUTHERN AREA PROGRAM GUIDE

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University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, Southern Area includes all of Clark, Nye, Lincoln, White Pine, Eureka and Esmeralda Counties. Cooperative Extension is the outreach college of the University of Nevada and designs and delivers community programs to residents of Nevada with other agencies and volunteers. Our University Faculty learn about the needs of our community and develop programs to meet them. They teach classes, hold workshops and sponsor seminars related to those needs and provide online information. Cooperative Extension offers education, training and instruction in: Health & Nutrition; Children, Youth & Professional Development for Agencies; College & Career Readiness for Youth; Health & Wellness; Workforce Development; Parent & Family Development; Local Food Systems; Economic Development.

2014 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Faculty secured $1,539,156 with 27 grants
- Faculty/staff had over 382,900 face-to-face contacts
- Over 70,500 newsletters were distributed to local residents
- KNPR’s Desert Bloom (faculty member) radio broadcast reached 49,000 listeners weekly
- Over 40 programs were offered to citizens of Clark County
- Faculty/staff received 2 national awards/recognition
- Faculty/staff presented at 42 local, state and national conferences
- Over 5,200 volunteer hours were recorded
- Faculty published 12 peer-reviewed publications (fact sheets, special pubs, journal articles, curriculum and audio/video)
- 2 new community needs assessments were conducted
- 4 new Health & Nutrition interns were trained
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Not all programs are offered in all areas at all times.

MASTER GARDENERS

- Master Gardeners are certified volunteers providing information and technical assistance to the public in the areas of water-efficient gardening and horticulture
- Basic Principles of Landscape Maintenance designed to teach correct landscape principles to the landscape professionals of southern Nevada
- Community Horticulture Education teaches Southern Nevada residents how to improve their urban landscapes while conserving natural resources
- Good Agricultural Practices work with fruit and vegetable growers to reduce legal and financial risk and improve market access
- Food for Thoughts School Gardens works with teachers and school administrators to create school gardens and related programs that can be used as outdoor classrooms
- Natural Resources Nevada Naturalist an adult environmental education program that focuses on giving participants a broad understanding of nature through classes and field trips
- Growing Local Growers is a combination of education and research using presentations, workshops and demonstrations to assist local producers and potential producers with the adoption and application of new knowledge and skills

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Community Horticulture Education teaches Southern Nevada residents how to improve their urban landscapes while conserving natural resources
- Public Policy Education timely, credible, unbiased and research-based information and education about public issue
- Area Sector Analysis Process change or influence a community’s approach to economic development by using sound economic development principles and practices that builds community capacity through education and participation
- Local Food Production and Marketing support to produce agricultural products that are specialized for direct marketing to local markets
- Managing Food Safety Liability in Nevada addresses the liabilities faced by small specialty farms with regard to food safety, especially by Home-based and Small Business entrepreneurs

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**All 4 Kids: Healthy, Happy, Active, Fit** promotes healthful habits regarding physical activity, snacking, feeding cues and acceptance of self and others for preschool age children 3-5 years old

**Food for Thoughts School Gardens** works with teachers and school administrators to create school gardens and related programs that can be used as outdoor classrooms

**4-H Junior Master Gardener** children ages 7-12 experience hands-on gardening activities while learning about plants, water, soil, veggies and more, leading to an end product they can eat

**Strengthening Families** is designed to help parents/caregivers to learn: nurturing skills that support their children; and how to effectively discipline and guide their youth

**Lincoln County Workforce** assists young adults find a career path that fits them and adults will be helped with training and job finding to become employed or to achieve a more fulfilling career

**Just In Time Parenting** offers free parenting e-Newsletters written by parenting experts

**Exploring Your True Colors** provides valuable insight into what is most important to others, why they may react to situations differently than others, how you can best communicate

**LITERACY (PARENT & CHILD)**

**Family Storyteller** enriches parent/child interactions and promotes lifelong learning skills for both parent and child via children’s literature

**Little Books & Little Cooks** creates parent-child interaction via cooking helping children learn pre-kindergarten skills and good nutrition while trying nutritious foods

**Partners in Parenting umbrella for Family Storyteller (English/Spanish); Fun To Play; Kinship Connectors; and Child Safety and Welfare prevention**

**Striving Readers** focuses on phonological awareness, reading readiness, vocabulary, emergent writing, and oral language development to selected child care programs

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR AGENCIES**

**Child Development Associate Credentials** 120 hour child care training program to improve a caregiver’s skills and knowledge while completing CEU credit

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**Commercial Horticulture Education** provides intense training in best practices to conserve plant materials, water and other natural resources to landscape professionals from municipalities, Las Vegas resorts, UNLV and private landscape maintenance firms. Classes occur in both English/Spanish

**4-H: Head, Hands, Heart, Health** prepares young people to step up to the challenges in the workplace, community and the world by learning leadership, citizenship and life skills in fun, safe and inclusive learning environments
**NUTRITION & FOOD SAFETY**

*Food Preservation* demonstrates food-safety practices, basic cooking skills, evaluate preserved products, evaluate equipment, recipes or products used to preserve food.

*Healthy Eating on a Budget* works in partnership with the Nevada Division of Welfare’s Job Readiness program, teaching SNAP recipients about good nutrition, food safety and food resource management to help low income families adopt healthy eating habits and extend their benefit dollars.

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**SUBSTANCE ADDICTION, HEALTH & BODY IMAGE**

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**CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION**

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*Calcium, It’s Not Just Milk!* increases the amount of low-fat calcium-rich foods eaten by 11-14 year-old youth through middle school classroom activities in low-income areas.

*Beginning Desert Gardening* basic plant and soil science, growing vegetables, trees and shrubs and irrigation techniques for new residents.

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**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

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