



2021 IN HUMBOLDT COUNTY

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach connects the needs of Iowans with Iowa State research and resources. We listen, learn, and work with the people of Humboldt County for a #STRONGIOWA.



**Sustainable
ENVIRONMENTS**



**Thriving
COMMUNITIES**



**Resilient
PEOPLE**



**Future
LEADERS**



The Humboldt County Extension Council has been elected by the people of the county to guide local educational programming by partnering with extension staff. From needs assessment through program implementation and evaluation of outcomes, the council represents you and your issues. We are always serving Iowans and we are here for you. Now. Always.

Thank you for your support.

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Serving the People of Humboldt County

As Iowans adjusted to life during the COVID-19 pandemic, ISU Extension and Outreach continued to prioritize health and safety as we delivered research-based education to the people of Humboldt County. During 2021 we focused on the following virtual or in-person programs.

Farm Succession and Estate Planning Workshop — helping farm families begin conversations and start putting transition plans on paper.

Powerful Tools for Caregivers — Family caregivers of adults with chronic conditions or children with special health or behavioral needs learn ways to take care of themselves, reduce stress, improve their caregiving confidence, and establish balance in their life as they care for others.

Small Change - Building Financial Security — Designed for Iowa educators, connects participants with curricula,



resources, and school-based programs for elementary, middle and high school levels. Educators can earn one Iowa license renewal credit.

Science of Parenting Workshops —

Parents learn effective parenting techniques involving the building blocks of positive discipline and understanding research and reality.

Iowa Learning Farms Field Days — Field days were held with local farmers, exemplifying stewardship and conservation.

ServSafe® — The food safety certification course developed by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation for those with oversight and management responsibility in any type of foodservice operation.

2021 Farm Bill Decisions — Webinar series presented to aid Iowa producers in determining their farm election for 2021.

Showcasing 4-H at the Humboldt County Fair

The Humboldt County Fair provided the



opportunity for youth to demonstrate what they had learned through their 4-H project work over the past year, from showing their livestock in the show ring to exhibiting static exhibits. They also had the opportunity to showcase their communication events in the exhibit hall, plus their clothing items in the Fashion Review show. The youth enjoyed being able to have a “normal fair” again with all events taking place.

Working toward Recovery

As our state works toward recovery, ISU Extension and Outreach in Humboldt County has been supporting Iowans in reviving the Iowa economy, including the farm economy.

In 2021 a StoryWalk® event was held to encourage families to visit downtown businesses in Humboldt.

Looking ahead to 2022, ISU Extension and Outreach in Humboldt County will be providing small businesses with educational opportunities covering marketing/social media.

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