The Agriculture and Natural Resources unit of the Cooperative Extension Program is the primary educational outreach unit of the university that disseminates research based knowledge to agricultural producers. County and specialist staffs assist small scale farmers and ranchers to become self sustaining and profitable.

To learn more about the Agriculture and Natural Resources Unit, select one of the items below:

- Farm Financial Management and Marketing
- Sustainable Livestock and Crop Production
- Water Quality and Environmental Issues

PUBLICATIONS
- Pasture Management
- Water Quality
- Environmental Issues
- Lawn & Gardening
- Livestock

Contact Dr. Nelson Daniels for updated information regarding recent publications.

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The Family and Consumer Sciences component of the Cooperative Extension Program recognizes that strong families are important to a prosperous and productive society. The family is the major provider of joy, security, values and goals. The Extension staff works to plan and deliver research-based family focused programs in health and well being, parenting, life skills and nutrition to underserved clientele, but, not excluding other audiences, that will serve as a catalyst to improve the quality of living.

To learn more about the Family & Consumer Sciences Unit, select one of the items below:

- Parenting
- Financial Resource Management
- Nutrition & Health

Program Areas

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The Cooperative Extension 4-H & Youth Development Program at Prairie View A&M University officially started in 1985. Prior to 1985 the youth program was called the Recreation and Outdoor Education Program. Trained professionals and paraprofessionals used fun wagons that contained recreational and camping activities to attract young people and teach them to use their leisure time constructively.

**Mission Statement**

Prepare youth to meet the challenges of childhood, adolescence and adulthood, through a coordinated, long-term, progressive series of educational experiences that enhance life skills and develop social, emotional, physical and cognitive competencies.

**4-H Creed:** Learn by doing

**4-H Motto:** To make the best better

**What is 4-H?**

4-H Is...

Learning by doing, and is available to all boys and girls in the 3rd through 12th grades, from urban, suburban and rural areas. First, an adult leader brings together youth that have common interests. Second, the youth choose one or more projects. Projects are chosen from among 100 project areas offered, or if you don’t see the one you like, you can create your own project. Third, the group enrolls as a club, and fourth meets together to learn and have FUN. Clubs are able to explore 4-H activities, events and trips. In 4-H there are events happening all year round.

**Who is 4-H for?**

ALL YOUTH and adults

Ages 5-8: Clover Kids (non-competitive activities)

Ages 9-13: Sub-Juniors, Juniors, and Intermediates (name

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**4-H Pledge:**

I pledge:

- My head to clearer thinking
- My heart to greater loyalty
- My hands to larger service
- My health to better living

For my club, my community, my country, and my world.

**What is a 4-H Club?**

These are the traditional clubs that have been, and will continue to be, the basic unit and foundation of the 4-H program. Clubs may be organized on a project basis or on a community basis.

* In a PROJECT club, all members of about the same age work on the same project area together.
Ages 9-13: Sub-Juniors, Juniors, and Intermediates (name depends on area of state)
Ages 14-19: Senior 4-H

How Do I Join 4-H?
Contact your Extension Agent - 4-H (CEP) to sign up for a 4-H club in your area.

* A COMMUNITY club includes a larger number of members of various ages who work on a variety of projects.

LINKS
National 4-H Council
4-H Brand Network
Texas AgriLife Extension
The Cooperative Extension Program (CEP) was established at Prairie View A & M University in 1972. County staff were advised to assist clientele in all the areas they could to help them improve their level of living. The Community & Economic Development program grew out of the numerous requests of clientele and the need to improve community and economic conditions.

Today, all CEP agents work in community and economic development, devoting approximately 20% of their time to this program area. It is generally said that one cannot work in the other program areas without performing work in this program area.

There is no clear cut definition for community development. Community development means different things to many people. As one writer said, community development is people from many different groups all pulling together to solve problems.

Community and Economic Development has five emphases areas.

Leadership
Housing
Facilities Acquisition and Maintenance
Community Enhancement
Business Development

Strategic planning for the overall Extension program has started. County and headquarters staff were involved in compiling the issues identified by stakeholders at the local level and further identified issues at the state level. After processing the information, it was determined that the Community and Economic Development program will have three areas of emphasis over the next five years.

Economic Growth and Development
Housing
Community Development

Special Project
Rural Business and Economic Development