

July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019
Environment, Housing and Energy
Program of Work Report

Areas Reporting: 14/14

Areas with 100% of counties reporting: Lake Cumberland, Lincoln Trail and Northern Kentucky

Number of Counties Reporting: **98/120 -- 82%**

Number of members who took actions related to environment, housing and energy listed below between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019:

- a. Implemented one or more water saving practices in the past year: **1,806**
- b. Adopted new landscape practices (such as installing a rain garden): **362**
- c. Grew fruits and vegetables for your family: **2,102**
- d. Preserved fruits and vegetables for your family: **1,593**
- e. Initiated or participated in an Adopt-A-Highway project: **185**
- f. Initiated or participated in a plant and/or seed swap: **807**
- g. Initiated or participated in a community beautification project: **407**
- h. Sponsored or taught a community gardening class for community members: **133**

Please share information regarding the quantity of fruits and vegetables preserved through canning, freezing or drying this year:

- a. Quantity of fruits preserved: **13,295 pints; 8,827 quarts**
- b. Quantity of vegetables preserved: **13,276 pints; 32,868 quarts**

Estimated dollar value of community beautification project(s): **\$12,720.00**

Source of funds included: **Monetary Donations, In-Kind Donations, Club and Chamber of Commerce.**

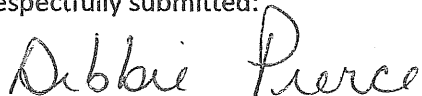
Not everyone recorded a percentage, so the funds could not be broken down.

Please share a one paragraph description of environment, housing and/or energy programs conducted by your club/county/area.

- Worked Homemaker/Community Day in county.
- Had club lessons for hiring contractors. (Price, legal aspects, contracts).
- Temperature control for water and conserve water usage.
- Worked to beautify town and repair sidewalks.
- Went all out on recycling including conserving electric, water, heat, etc. by participating in energy saving appliances.
- Worked with TMMK, Scott County Extension and Scott County Schools to implement Truth or Consequences – The Choice is Yours. Teaching 831 8th grade students.
- Several clubs attended Green Cleaning lesson and followed up by sharing and demonstrating numerous safe and/or homemade “green” cleaning products.
- Maintain local landscape, tree giveaways, recycling events, plant swaps community clean up, green cleaning classes and green living fair.
- Club members did a landscaping project for Sr. Citizens Center.
- Collected rainwater around city to water flowers.

- Planted flowers for streets in town.
- Adopted a Highway.
- Had Bee and Honey Workshop.
- Flower bulbs and herb exchange.
- Healthy homes workshop.
- Extension Homemakers conducted 42 recycling education trainings with PreK through 4th grade students. A total of 16t97 children and 180 adults were reached.
- A Crayola Color Cycle Program was introduced in the schools for the recycling of used spent markers.
- A public education class was organized and hosted by Extension Homemakers pertaining to the importance of bees and it was called "Bees in the Know". Extension Homemakers enlisted a Master Gardener and another Extension Homemaker to plan and plant a flower garden at The Dan Talbott Amphitheater.
- One group sponsors plant, flower and tree sale with demonstrations and information for planting and care.
- One club planted, watered and maintained 10 large pots of flowers throughout the community of Gamaliel.
- One county started a four-year project to revitalize a rural area owned by the Corps of Engineers as a nature area for pollinators, native plants and trees. In partnership with the Corps of Engineers and several other organizations, they hope to restore this rundown area to a vital community go-to.
- One club provided food, flowers and many volunteer hours to help Oil Springs United Methodist Church clean up after a destructive flood damaged the exterior the church. All women in attendance were member of the homemakers.
- Homemakers planted and maintained flowers at Carter Caves State Park.
- One county gardening program attended and volunteered hours for seed distribution at libraries in the area. Assisted in the preparation for four classes on trees, grafting of fruit trees and directions for seed planting and transplanting.
- Area EHE chairs worked with Area Homemakers to present "Healthy Horticulture for Everybody" Seminar. Seventy (70) participants received information on the mental, physical and psychological benefits of gardening and how to do this as we age. They also attended seminars on growing hydrangeas, starting seeds, growing herbs, growing cut lowers and raised bed gardens.
- Collected plastic lids for table and benches for parks and schools and for the Cancer Society.
- Collected medicine bottles for Doctors without Borders.
- Collected plastic bags and saltshakers, cereal and other food items for BeCon (Homeless and Poverty Assistance Store).
- Collected women's personal items, underwear for all ages, socks, scarves, hats and gloves for the homeless shelter, BeCon, and the Veterans.
- One county participated in the lesson "The Buzz about Honey".
- One county participated in the Trash Bash road clean up and the River Sweep.
- One area participated in a museum landscaping and herb garden.
- One county's clubs collected pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House.

Respectfully submitted:



Debbie Pierce, Chairman

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