

2013 Extension Impacts in DeKalb County



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The Alabama Cooperative Extension System, the primary outreach organization for the land-grant mission of Alabama A&M University and Auburn University, delivers research-based educational programs that enable people to improve their quality of life and economic well-being.

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Our commitment is solidified in our ongoing support of offices in all 67 counties. These offices assure our connection to the local needs and issues of all citizens.

The Alabama Cooperative Extension System funds 5.88 FTEs (full-time equivalent employees) in **DeKalb County**. These professionals deliver educational programs throughout the year. Programs are developed statewide and delivered locally in each county. Extension regularly partners with the people of Alabama to assess the educational needs in all walks of life.

Agriculture, Forestry, Wildlife, and Natural Resources

- DeKalb County Extension regional agents conducted more than 60 agricultural programs that brought **higher profits and better management practices** to more than 300 county producers.

Economic and Community Development

- Six specific tourism efforts by Extension and related to the Little River Canyon have **significantly increased public awareness** of this natural DeKalb County resource.

Urban Affairs and New Nontraditional Programs

- With more than **1,200 Hispanic individuals** residing in a county of 54,000 people, the DeKalb County Extension office through its urban regional agent conducted in a 12-month period 14 programs specifically **targeting this emerging audience**.

Family and Consumer Sciences

- More than 100 DeKalb County students learned to **eat healthier and be more active** through the Body Quest: Food of the Warrior program.

4-H and Youth Development

- 22 young people in 4-H learned **responsibility, commitment, and financial management** skills through their participation in the DeKalb County 4-H Chick Chain program.