

# **BELKNAP COUNTY**

A YEAR IN REVIEW 2018

Belknap County and the University of New Hampshire (UNH) provide funding to serve county citizens, enhance the quality of life and improve the local economy.

**62**EXTENSION STAFF

WORKED WITH
BELKNAP COUNTY RESIDENTS

\$310,752 253 VOLUNTEERS WORKED 12,480 HOURS VALUE OF VOLUNTEER TIME



BUILDING CAPACITY TO INCREASE IMPACT IN THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE

BELKNAP COUNTY
Total Contributions
\$155,275

UNH
Total Contributions\*
\$413,281

IN 2018, FOR EVERY \$1.00 BELKNAP COUNTY CONTRIBUTED, UNH PROVIDED \$2.66 OF STATEWIDE RESOURCES

\* Includes funding from federal, state and other non-county resources.

Extension led a community visioning process in Alton that resulted in the formation of citizen-led action committees to improve the downtown, as well as steward the community's cultural and natural assets.



Forestry and Wildlife staff advised 74 woodlot owners, resulting in improved management on 2,132 acres of forestland. Water quality was monitored at 25 lake sites in Belknap County.



#### **County Impact Examples**

28 farms or other agricultural businesses received on-site support from Extension specialists in topics including crop production, marketing, pest management, and soil health. 50 workers were trained in safe food handling.



In Belknap County, 94 volunteers gave 9,452 volunteer hours to 4-H and other programs equaling 5 full-time employees. 92% of 4-H Youth Leadership team members led projects in their community that made a difference and five schools improved their health and wellness policies affecting 2000 students.



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# STATEWIDE HIGHLIGHTS 2018

**Extension is at work** in every New Hampshire county, strengthening key industries, developing vibrant communities and engaged citizens, fostering healthy families and stewarding productive and healthy natural resources.



### **COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

The Community & Economic Development program provides educational programs and planning assistance to communities to help them cultivate civic leaders; foster participation in community decision making; revitilize downtowns; and grow the local and regional economy.

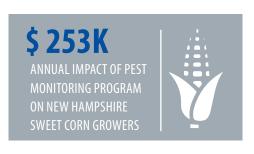
Technical assistance and planning support was provided to **31** New Hampshire towns.





#### **FOOD & AGRICULTURE**

The Food & Agriculture program provides research-based information and education to farms, agricultural businesses, and the state's food system sectors. Through research, education, and on-site



advising, our specialists support production of quality products, sustainable use of resources, and profitability of businesses.



## **NATURAL RESOURCES**

The Natural Resources program provides science-based advice, training and technical support on natural resource protection, management and stewardship to landowners, professionals, industry, agencies, organizations, communities, schools, volunteers and citizen scientists.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXTENSION COUNTY FORESTERS RESULTED IN:

REVENUE	PRODUCTION VALUE	TAX REVENUE
ADDITIONAL	ADDITIONAL	ADDITIONAL
\$ 427,000	\$ 1.2M	\$ 44,000
FOR		FOR
LANDOWNERS		MUNICIPALITIES



# **YOUTH & FAMILY**



Our 4-H, Resiliency, STEM Education, and Healthy Living programs work at three levels to achieve real impact: (1) we work directly with youth and family members to teach valuable skills, (2) we train volunteers and educators to work effectively with youth, and (3) we provide technical assistance to schools and organizations to build systems of support.

(1)	30,632	PARTICIPATED in Youth & Family Programs
(2)	1,960	TRAINED to work with youth
(3)	746	PROVIDED with technical assistance



## **UNH PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING (PD & T)**

A network of 200 instructors helped workers accelerate their careers through licensure renewal, job placement, and professional development.

4,000 PD &T STUDENTS
ATTENDED 450
PROGRAMS

#### PD&T CONTINUES TO SERVE MILITARY PERSONNEL AND VETERANS.

For military personnel, PD&T has worked closely with UNH's Military & Veteran Services office to cover PD&T programs under the GI bill.

