



# **Sutton County Extension Year In Review- 2006**

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Extension Programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.  
The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

**Extension Outreach:**  
**Putting A&M's Resources To Work In Your Life and Community**

- Texas Cooperative Extension puts current and cutting-edge information to work in your life and community.
- Extension covers a wide range of subjects: from raising livestock to landscaping your yard, from teaching computer technology for adults to preparing healthy meals for your family, from pesticide applicator training to building self-esteem and responsibility in young people.
- Educational opportunities may be via internet, in person, news column, radio brief, or seminar.

# Agriculture

- Ranchers, wildlife managers, and small landowners can obtain information on anything from livestock or wildlife management, brush control, and soil fertility to risk management and economic analysis.
- A network of agents, specialists, and researchers is available to assist.



- Range Herbicide Workshop: Feb. 1, 2006
- Pesticide Applicator Training: Mar. 27, 2006
- Applied Research Projects: Mar. 30, 2006







- Rangeland Leasing Conference: May. 2, 2006
- Rancher's RoundUp: May. 23, 2006
- RAWHIDE: Aug. 1, 2006







- Fall Rangeland Field Day: Oct. 17, 2006
- Ranching In The 21st Century Workshop: October 27, 2006



# Horticulture

- Home owners can get help with weed & pest control, fertilization, landscaping, plant disease treatment, gardening tips, and much more.
- Home visits are made to help diagnose disease, deficiency, pest, etc.
- A Master Gardener course is available to prepare and certify participants to help solve many of their plant needs and those of their neighbors





- Garden Management Seminar
- Diagnosing Plant Problems Clinic
- Pest Management Seminar
- Fire Ant Control Demonstration





# Family & Consumer Science (FCS)

- Families can receive recommendations on balanced nutrition, exercise, budget planning, health, child safety, and more.
- Restaurants commonly use FCS agents to conduct food safety & sanitation training for their personnel.
- Additionally, a Better Living For Texans (BLT) program which targets serving families of limited income and resources.

# Community Development

- Extension personnel can provide training for small business leadership, computer technology, home improvement, nature tourism, fairs and festivals, and other endeavors which provide opportunity for economic growth and development.
- Extension partners with various agencies to provide a more complete approach.



- Computer Technology Series
- Senior Citizens Nutritional Programming
- Diabetes Education
- Faces of Meth Workshop



# Youth Development

- Known as 4-H, this involvement strives to develop responsible, productive, self-motivated youths.
- Youngsters ages 8-18 can become involved in activities as diverse as poetry, photography, outdoor & wildlife education, wood-working, food & nutrition, clothing & textiles, livestock, range science, computers, veterinary science, small engines, public-speaking, dance, shooting sports, and much more.
- There is also opportunity for curriculum enrichment in partnership with the school district.





- Project work







- Personal and social development







## Community Involvement



**Best of all, there is no cost for most services provided by Texas Cooperative Extension.**

- However, services such as forage testing, soil analysis, and water testing do have a small fee.
- For more information, contact local agents **Pascual Hernandez (Ag)** or **Kelly Thorp (FCS)** at (325) 387-3101 or (325) 387-3604 or come by 1700 N. Crockett.
- Educational programs are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.