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A YEAR IN REVIEW



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Message from Director

As we reflect on 2022, we are grateful for the growth of our local team and our increased capacity to address challenges in our community. Drought and the associated impacts on agricultural systems certainly topped the list of challenges, and we responded with research and educational opportunities to help address the widespread negative impacts. Our climate smart agriculture program helped agriculture producers implement production practices that will continue to mitigate similar challenges for years to come. Youth in our community benefit from our exceptional 4-H and nutrition programs as we deliver unique formal and informal educational opportunities throughout the county. Our farm advisors continue to pursue cutting edge applied research to advance production practices for our vital agriculture industry and our Master Gardener volunteers bring a wealth of knowledge to address home horticulture and landscape challenges in our community.

These impacts rely on a vast network of UC researchers and educators, working in collaboration with farmers, ranchers, youth, volunteers, and local organizations. We bring the power of UC research to our community with support from Glenn County to deliver our programs. Our scientists and educators live and work in the communities they serve, gaining an intricate understanding of the local challenges that our county faces. Our work would not be possible without the hundreds of volunteers who extend our reach through the Master Gardener Program and the 4-H Youth Development Program. Thousands of educational hours are delivered by these volunteers, who are trained by and acting as agents of the University of California.

Our locally relevant applied research would be impossible without the collaboration of forward thinking and innovative cooperators. The insight from these leaders is essential to conduct our problem-solving research. We look forward to continuing to partner for positive change in our community.

With Sincere Thanks,

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Betsy Karle County Director

What we do: Turn science into solutions. How we do it: Teamwork and collaboration.

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Natural resources advisors conduct wildfire education and research natural resources conservation.

Nutrition educators promote nutritious eating habits and exercise for better health. Through the California 4-H Youth Development Program we engage youth to become the citizens of tomorrow.

Thousands of volunteers extend our reach through the Master Gardener, Master Food Preserver, California Naturalist, and the California 4-H Youth Development Programs.



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About Us

The University of California Extension was first introduced to Glenn County in 1915. UCCE Glenn County provides programs tailored to meet the needs of county residents. Extension services include exceptional 4-H and Master Gardener programs, as well as expert advice for farmers and growers.



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Partnering for Change

UC ANR builds partnerships based on deep and long-lasting relationships with local, state and federal governments, community-based organizations, schools, nonprofits and private industry. UC Cooperative Extension Glenn County is fortunate to work with many partners in our community.

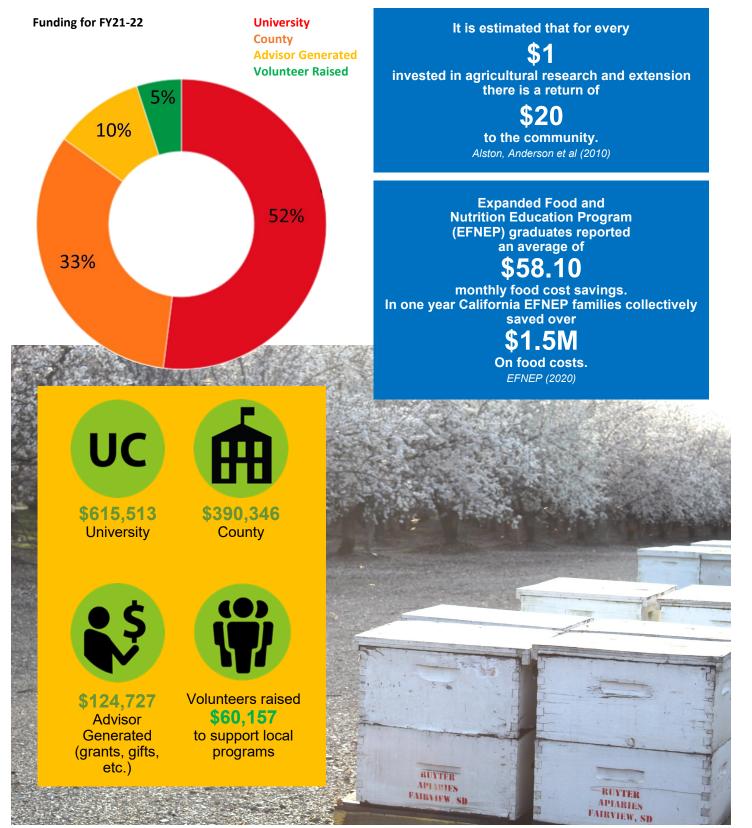
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UCCE Funding

UCCE Glenn County Funding for Fiscal Year 2021-2022



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4-H Youth Development Program UCCE Glenn County



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Program Delivery

In 2022, Glenn County 4-H was filled with many community service opportunities, such as Fair Clean-up Days, the Corn Maze Clean-up, making Christmas a little brighter for seven children through the Adopt-a-Family program, and keeping our community warm with more than 75 coats donated for the Coats-for Kids program.

With nearly 100 approved Adult Volunteers, our program was able to reach youth with various interests and provide them with hands-on educational experiences. Providing opportunities for Civic Engagement, Leadership, Healthy Living, and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math).

While creating impactful experiences, Glenn County 4-H also teaches life skills through various opportunities such as, Presentation Day, Job Interview Contest, 4-H Summer Camp, and various scholarships throughout the year.

Although we use evaluations and levels of measure to determine successful outcomes, the lasting impact 4-H has on oneself, is immeasurable and beyond valuable. Glenn County 4-H is always fulfilling the 4-H Motto "To Make the Best Better."

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Master Gardener Program UCCE Glenn County



Glenn County Master Gardener Volunteer Program

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Program Delivery

In 2022, the Glenn County Master Gardener Program continued to provide both virtual and in person plant clinic advice. The program has responded to 29 public contacts through the plant clinic, providing research based information on vegetable gardening, tree health, tree pruning, insects, pest, weed identification, landscaping resources, and suitability to the climate and the drought. Master Gardeners also provided information to approximately 60 attendees at public events. During the year, Master Gardeners attended four major events in Glenn County. They were the Hobby Day and Honey Bee Festival, the Olive Festival, Tomato Days at Ace Hardware Store and the National Night Out event.

Master Gardeners continue to develop their Monarch butterfly and pollinator garden located at the County building in Orland. The program hopes to expand activities in the coming year by developing community classes and increasing the number of volunteers.

In the Fall of 2023, the Master Gardener program will be recruiting for its 2024 training. The program will be seeking individuals to participate in the UCANR research based training to provide public education and services to the Glenn County community. Look for applications on the website in the Fall of 2023!

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Nutrition Education Program UCCE Glenn County



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Program Delivery

The CalFresh Healthy Living, UCCE program of Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Sutter, and Yuba Counties utilize multiple delivery methods and intervention strategies to reach low-income elementary school students, their parents, school administrators, school educators, and community members. Glenn County students were able to participate in CalFresh Healthy Living activities, programming, and education. The school-based programming extends from the classroom to improving access and quality of physical activity through community events, school gardens, and school wellness committee work.

Our Community Education Specialist enrolled a new participating school in Glenn County and worked on an outdoor playground stenciling project that inspires students to be active. Monthly direct education lessons have been delivered to promote nutritional messages and support the Coordinated Approach to Child Health (CATCH) curriculum objectives.

Mill Street Elementary got to plant seeds in their school gardens in late November and have harvested some amazing radishes. Students love the experience of planting and learning about sustaining their plants in a fun way!

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Climate Smart Agriculture Program UCCE Glenn County



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Program Delivery

Farmers and ranchers in Glenn County are implementing new practices to improve soil health and sequestering large amounts of carbon through programs like the Healthy Soils Program (HSP), State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program (SWEEP), and Alternative Manure Management Program (AMMP).

UCCE advisors and educators assisted with the verification and implementation of these programs in 2022. Our Climate Smart Agriculture educators have assisted grantees who were awarded a combined \$4.6 million in CDFA Healthy Soils Program grants beginning in 2017. The funds allocated for Glenn County farmers and ranchers has decreased GHG emissions by 17.155.2 MTCO2e, the equivalence of eliminating 3,696 cars. In addition to decreasing GHG emissions, the SWEEP program has saved 13,226-acre inches of water; the equivalent to 543 Olympic sized pools in Glenn County alone.

The Climate Smart Agriculture team conducted a case study for 2017 HSP awardees. The awardees were asked to participate in the study by completing a survey to provide feedback on their continuing practices, practice implementation, challenges they faced and how they overcame those challenges. For those who participated, a soil sample of their fields was taken to evaluate the changes in their soil and test for increased levels of organic matter. The case study will continue into the new year.

Website https://ceglenn.ucanr.edu/Climate Smart Agriculture/ CDFA Grant Website https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/

Dairy Program UCCE Glenn County



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Program Delivery

Research

Research activities include building communities of practice on dairies, improving on-farm milk quality, managing arthropod pests, adoption of manure management practices, and decreasing antibiotic resistance.

Extension & Education

Research results were shared in multiple venues, including World Ag Expo, Golden State Dairy Management Conference, and International scientific meetings. Outcomes of research were further extended in a variety of print publications throughout the year and quarterly in the Golden State Dairy Management newsletter.

Contributions to scholarly literature:

Research results are published in peer-reviewed scientific journals, amplifying our local efforts. Papers published in 2022 addressed:

- Effects of antibiotic treatment on cow's microbiota
- Effectiveness of treatments and cow health
- Impact of implementation of antibiotic use legislation
- Antibiotic resistance associated with fresh cow diseases
- Organic dairy disease management

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Irrigation and Water Resources Program UCCE Glenn County



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Program Delivery

Research

In 2022 we began collaborating on several critical irrigation studies in almond, walnut, and olive. Each of these studies explore ways in which producers can maximize the benefits of their irrigation applications on production, tree health, and input use efficiency. We also joined another exciting project looking at how rootstock propagation methods affect root architecture and eventual water utilization in almond.

Extension & Education

In addition to regular farm calls and newsletter articles, presentations were made at a wide range of events in 2022, addressing topics such as irrigating for pesticide efficiency, irrigation scheduling options, and best practices for soil health. We also began the process of developing a Master Irrigator Program for the State of California, which will offer participants a comprehensive educational series covering basic to advanced irrigation strategies and best practices, in addition to sections on soil and plant water relations, nutrient management, system design and maintenance, and much more.

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Orchard Systems Program UCCE Cross County



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Program Delivery

Research & Education

Orchard research and education efforts in the Northern Sacramento Valley continued to grow in 2022 thanks to the teamwork of Orchard Staff Research Associate, Clarissa Reyes, Irrigation Advisor Curt Pierce, and IPM Advisor Sudan Gyawaly. In 2022 key vacant positions supporting orchard research and education in the North Sacramento Valley began to be filled.

In 2022, in Glenn County alone this team hosted the North Valley Nut Conference, as well as a walnut field meeting focusing on rootstock selection and irrigation management. In Butte County two field meetings were held at the Almond Variety Trial at the CSU, Chico Farm, and a video was produced summarizing the study for growers at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pN3Mz5ISzGU. Orchard educational offering remain robust with the Growing the Valley podcast at https://www.growingthevalleypodcast.com/ and Sacramento Valley Orchard quarterly newsletters as well as the sacvalleyorchards.com website.

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Rice Farming Systems Program UCCE Cross County



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Program Delivery

Research & Education

The drought drastically reduced rice acreage in 2022. Statewide, only half the rice acreage was planted. The west side of the Sacramento Valley was where most of the cuts were made. Glenn County only planted 20% of the acres, while Butte County fared a little better with an estimate 75% planted.

Overall, 2022 was a year of extremes. A cold spell experienced early in the season slowed down rice and resulted in some challenges with weed management and a slight delay in harvest. Later, we experienced a hot spell during grain fill which resulted in lower grain quality. The rice program continued research projects on variety testing, management of pests and diseases, weedy rice, and planting after field fallowing.

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Livestock, Range, and Natural Resources Program UCCE Cross County



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Program Delivery

Research & Education

Livestock research is focused primarily on cattle health and production. Examples of topics in animal health include pink eye prevention and treatment, anaplasmosis prevention, efficacy of dewormer strategies for parasite control, and mineral supplementation. Production project topics include effectively feeding ionophores for weight gain in mineral, range improvement economics based on weight gain, and low-cost supplementation strategies. Range and pasture research includes weed control and improving rangeland quality and productive capacity.

All projects have an economic approach with an attempt to make implementation profitable. Rigorous research backs management recommendations because the tight margins of the livestock industry require it. Research and extension also covers aspects of natural resource management in range and pasture with the intent in preserving natural resources for future generations of land managers. Research based Information is conveyed through newsletters, websites, timely workshops, publications, and farm visits.

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Integrated Pest Management Program UCCE Cross County



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Program Delivery

Research & Education

In 2022, the integrated pest management (IPM) program continued providing IPM educational services through newsletter articles, one-on-one farm calls, and presentations at grower meetings or conferences throughout the Sacramento Valley. Also, in 2022, Sudan's program started monitoring the critical pests of almonds, walnuts, and peaches to track their development and provided the degree day information to his clientele. The IPM research efforts in 2022 involved surveying the web -spinning spider mites populations and evaluating the mating disruption of navel orangeworms in walnuts. Sudan intends to share the results of these studies in upcoming grower meetings.



IPM Website https://ipm.ucanr.edu/

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