# Family and Community Wellness

NDSU Extension Family and Community Wellness (FCW) professionals address critical needs across the state of North Dakota. Research is conducted and educational programming is offered on a variety of topics, including nutrition, food safety, chronic disease prevention, food systems, food security, rural stress, family science, aging well, leadership development and civic engagement.

## **FCW Supports North Dakota Agriculture**

Field to Fork is a webinar series offering education on growing, preserving, preparing and creating food products for sale at farmers markets and retail settings.



**82%** changed growing practices



78% trying to attract more pollinators



**50%** growing vegetables they had never grown before

# **FCW Strengthens** North Dakota **Rural Communities**

The Aging in Community project is identifying community-based solutions to help older adults stay in their rural homes and communities longer.



15 community members providing

1,631 volunteer hours



**2,800** older adults reached



report feeling more confident living at home

## **FCW Builds** North Dakota's Leaders

Lead Local provides education related to serving on boards, councils and committees.



**24%** more can model effective ways to deal with group conflict

Rural Leadership North Dakota is a dynamic leadership development program focusing on a mix of personal development, leadership study and location-related subject matter.



26% have run for public office



have been more involved in their community

# **FCW Highlights**



active grant-funded projects



\$13.7 million in grant funds



100% of specialists applied for grants

# **SBARE Request**

- O 1.0 FTE for FCW grant coordinator
- O Operating Support for NDSU Extension

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