



# BE AN EDUCATIONAL LEADER

## *Join the Cooper County Extension Council*

The Cooper County Extension Council invites you to become an educational leader in our community by allowing your name to be placed on the council election ballot.

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*“Serving on the extension council is a great way to make our community a better place to live. As a council member, I have been involved in ...”*

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The extension council improves people’s lives by linking Cooper County residents with information and educational programs based on research from the University of Missouri and Lincoln University.

The Cooper County Extension Council is designated by state statutes as the official body to cooperate with the University of Missouri in delivery of extension programs in the county. Members, who are elected and appointed, represent the broad educational needs and walks of life of Cooper County residents.

As a member of the Cooper County Extension Council, you can improve the social and economic well-being of our county by connecting your neighbors, family and friends with educational resources to improve their lives.

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**You can make a difference!**

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## *Extension Council Responsibilities*

- Assist in planning and carrying out extension educational efforts in the community.
- Identify concerns of the community and make recommendations to the University.
- Obtain funds to support local operations and educational programs through the county commission, program fees, donations and grants.
- Administer the council budget to support local office operations.

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## *University of Missouri Extension Improves Cooper Countians' Lives*

Cooper County residents contact their extension center for research-based resources to:

- *Build strong individuals, families and communities.*
- *Create and sustain healthy environments.*
- *Enhance the economic viability of residents, businesses, farms and communities.*

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## *Educational Program Highlights*

- Select Heifer program—In Cooper County Select two producers sold 110 heifers.
- In 2003-4 Pilot Grove and Bunceton elementary students participated in Tiger Safety Day.
- The Boonslick chapter of the Heart of Missouri Master Gardener Program has 36 active in Cooper, Howard, and Boone counties.
- Seventeen youth grades 3-8, participated in a youth entrepreneurship program at CBCC.
- More than 800 students attending Cooper County R-IV - Bunceton, Central, David Barton, and Prairie Home Elementary Schools received over 300 hours of nutrition education in compliance with the State Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's Show-Me standards.
- Four Cooper County businesses received counseling to help them develop marketing plans or secure government contracts.
- Mo-River.Net, a local Community Information Network (CIN), serves Howard, Cooper and Saline counties. More than 2000 pages are now on Mo-River.Net.
- Efforts have been made to reduce or eliminate rumors, to establish a base for which information on Latinos and for Latinos can be developed locally, to support efforts to inform the community about Latino culture, to minimize conflict from intercultural interaction.
- Grassroots efforts have been initiated by Extension to mobilize the historic, arts and tourist communities to work jointly to design and expand the number of attractions in a public-private partnership.
- Divorcing parents receive a 2 ½ to 3 hour parent education program in collaboration with the circuit court system.

## *2008 Cooper County Extension Council Members*

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*Bob Kraus*

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## **The Cooper County Extension Council Needs You!**

*Your time, talents  
and experience  
can make life  
better in  
our county.*