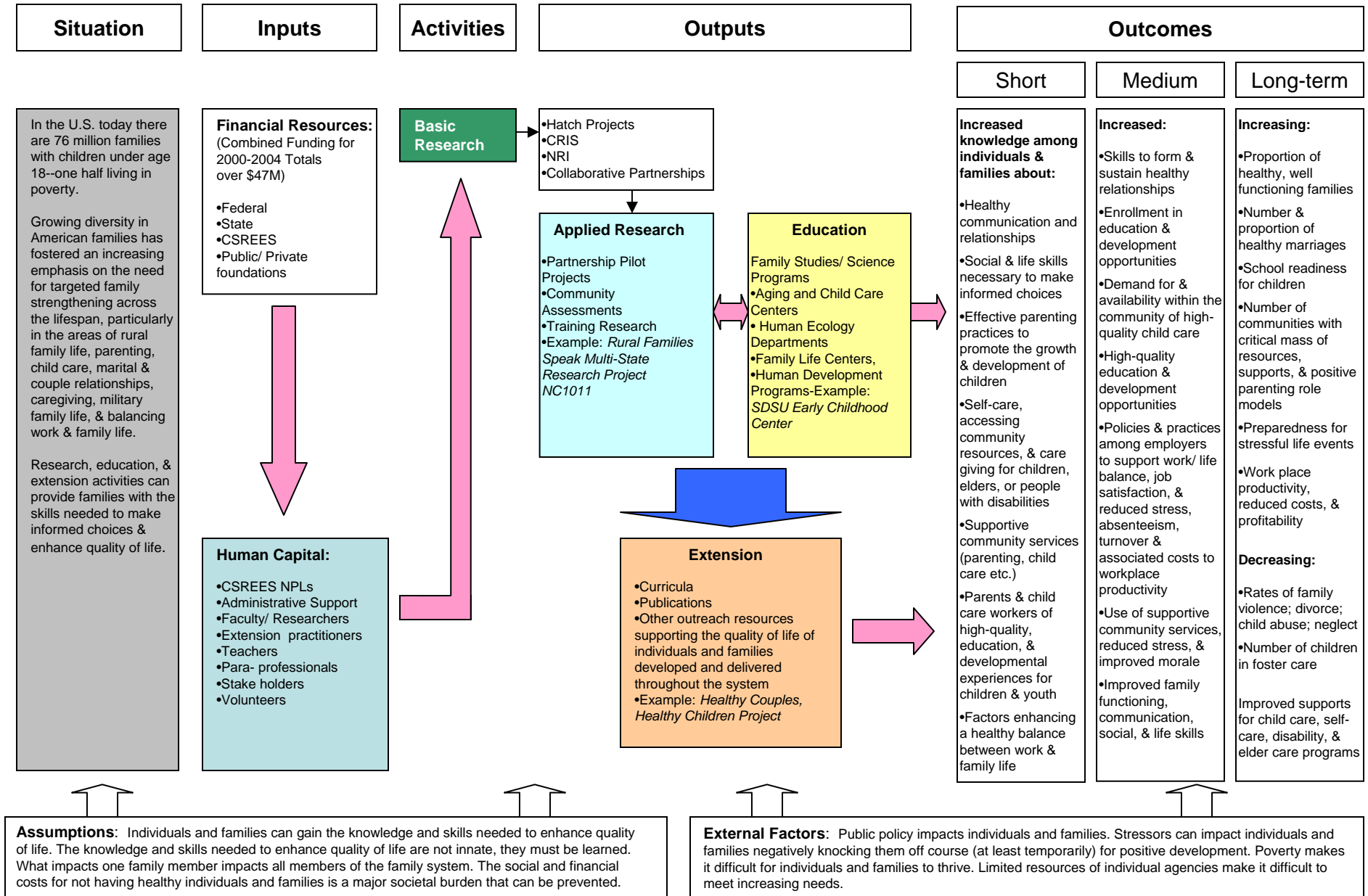
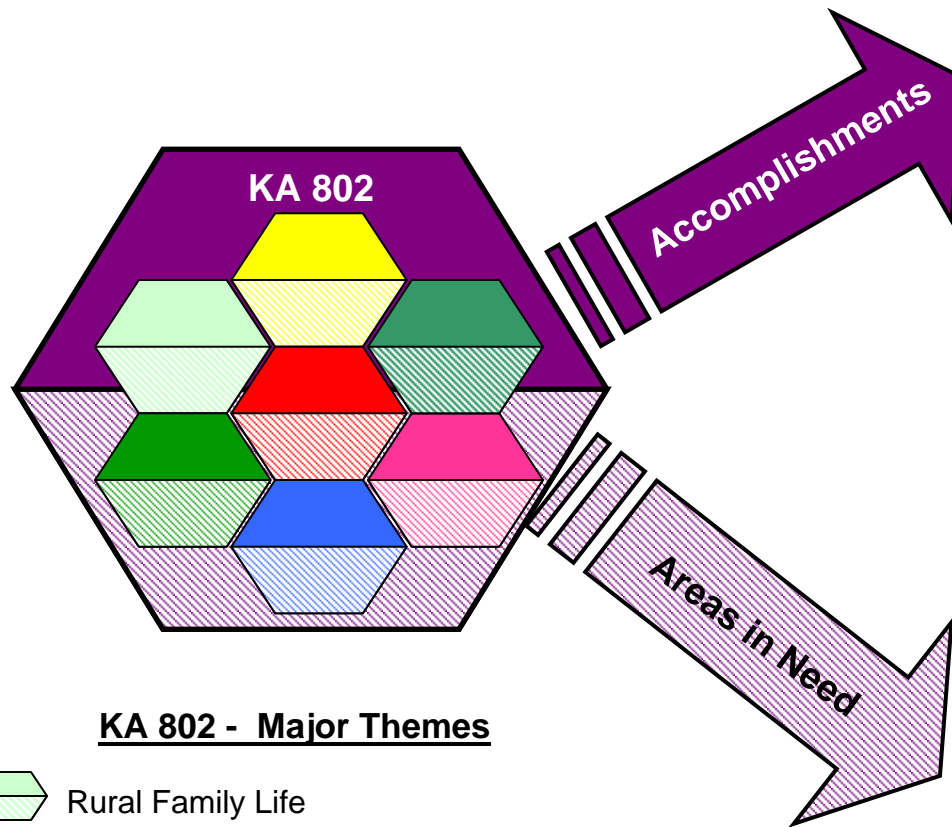









Portfolio 2.2 – Informed Decisions Affecting Quality of Life in Rural Areas: KA 802 Human Development and Family Well Being
















Knowledge Area 802: Human Development and Family Well-Being



KA 802 - Major Themes

-  Rural Family Life
-  Parent Education
-  Child Care
-  Marriage and Couple Relationships
-  Family Caregiving Across the Lifespan
-  Military Family Life
-  Balancing Work and Family Life

-  •In the Rural Families Speak longitudinal research project, one study of impoverished, rural mothers (n=307) contributed findings focusing on the connection between supportive relationships and mental health to a database being created to improve the limited knowledge base on this subject matter.
-  •Studies show that parents who use Just-In-Time parenting newsletters feel reassured about their child's development and their ability to identify emerging problems, and learn how to find appropriate help.
-  •The Better Kid Care Program provided educational opportunities for child care workers, including direct trainings, distance education via video & web-based learning, newsletters & other publications, and full-day conferences.
-  •The Healthy Couples, Healthy Children project has helped to reduce the risk of child abuse and neglect and promote child well-being by fostering healthy couple and co-parenting relationships.
-  •The Alliance for Family Caregiving provided training, educational resources, & support and facilitated linkages and networking opportunities to enhance the knowledge & quality of life of caregivers & families throughout Wisconsin.
-  •Since the Army Substance Abuse Program began at Fort Hood, Texas Cooperative Extension Agents have briefed 100% of the Units and over 85% of the 45,000 soldiers on Fort Hood on prevention resources.
-  •More than 4,000 people in three states accessed the publication Work and Family: Balancing and Weaving, over 600 individuals learned about managing family meals while dealing with busy schedules, and more than 3,500 individuals learned about how to effectively handle stress.

-  •Expand collaborations in all areas of rural family life work
-  •Enhance standards/indicators for parent education programming & evaluation
-  •Expand work/professional development in child care
-  •Expanded collaborations in decreasing divorces
-  •Expansion of work/professional development in adult development/aging
-  •Expand collaborations in all areas of military family life work
-  •Working with employers on caregiving and work/life balance issues