Extension is on a collaborative journey. We work together with families, students, communities, businesses, farmers and statewide partners. We educate. We convene diverse groups to help solve problems.

Join Us.
Why Extension

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Extension is a part of UConn’s College of Agriculture, Health, and Natural Resources (CAHNR). We have over 100 years of experience strengthening communities in Connecticut and beyond. Our educational specialists are ready to work with you and your community.

Extension programs cover the full spectrum of topics aligned to the CAHNR strategic initiatives:

- Ensuring a vibrant and sustainable agricultural industry and food supply
- Enhancing health and well-being locally, nationally, and globally
- Advancing adaptation and resilience in a changing climate
- Designing sustainable landscapes across urban-rural interfaces

Programs delivered by Extension reach individuals, communities, and businesses in each of the 169 municipalities across the state (see map on back page). The “by the Numbers 2019” (right page) highlights some of our key impacts from these initiatives.

#AskUConnExtension

Connect with one of our professionals today.

You have questions. Our specialists have a wealth of knowledge and resources ranging from livestock to farm business and regulations; climate resilience to finding community training opportunities; gardening to wildlife management; fitness to nutrition; how to join 4-H; and more.

We are ready to answer your questions:

- Submit a question online: bit.ly/AskUConnExtension
- Specialists answer questions on video: bit.ly/AskUConnExtension-videos
- Email us: extension@uconn.edu
- Visit our website: extension.uconn.edu
- Call us: 860-486-9228 (we will direct you to the right specialist).
### FOOD

- 232,708 students in 81 school districts across the state participate in our Put Local on Your Tray Program.
- 1,024 participants in our commercial vegetable and fruit production programs.

> “The partnership with UConn [Extension] has made the tribe stronger. It’s refocused our attention towards farming and healthier eating. ...we’ve been able to work with them to ensure that some of our traditional protocols and farming techniques have been cornerstone to this project.”

  ~ Tribal Councillor, Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation

### HEALTH

- 5,821 low-income families served through community nutrition and empowerment programs.
- 24,589 weekly trail users at 15 sites throughout CT, monitored by UConn.
- 378 families engaged on using trails for healthy lifestyles at pop-up events in Meriden and Groton.

> “Having an environment to discuss this topic is amazing and important, and I’m so appreciative of having it!”

  ~ Participant in the two-part program Farmer Stress Support Workshop and the CT Ag Wellness Summit

### 4-H YOUTH

- 18,326 participating youth.
- 3,981 active volunteers.

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  ~ Amanda, Climate Corps Student

### ECONOMICS

- $16.4 million in active grants.
- $1.75 million in municipal savings from MS4 program (stormwater general permit) in 121 towns.
- $5.3 million worth of volunteer hours served in communities across the state.

### SUSTAINABILITY

- 29,269 unique users to the Connecticut Environmental Conditions Online (CT ECO) mapping website.
- 626 plants analyzed at the Plant Diagnostics Lab.
- 12,474 soil samples analyzed from 169 Connecticut towns and 21 U.S. states.

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### OTHERS

- 207,887 volunteer hours across all programs - that’s a 25% increase compared to 2018.
- 7,438 volunteers across all program areas.
- 12,023 hours of instruction by Extension specialists across all programs.
- 763 programs & events throughout the state.
- 375 UConn Extension publications.
- 152,156 individuals reached through our UConn Extension Facebook, Twitter, & YouTube accounts.
- 21 National and State awards & honors received by Extension Specialists.
- 2,849 programs provided to Connecticut cities & towns.
In Our Communities

Active Extension Programs in Connecticut

There were a total of 2,849 programs provided in Connecticut towns and cities in 2019. That’s no fewer than 7 programs in each of the 169 municipalities, and some had 31.

Statewide Offices

Extension, with its headquarters on the Storrs campus, has offices throughout the state to better serve our communities.

- UConn Storrs Campus
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  - 860-486-3581
- Soil Nutrient Analysis Lab
  - soiltest@uconn.edu
  - soiltest.uconn.edu
  - 860-486-4274
- Home & Garden Education Center
  - ladybug@uconn.edu
  - ladybug.uconn.edu
  - 1-877-486-6271
- Plant Diagnostic Lab
  - plant.lab.uconn.edu
  - 860-486-6271
- UConn State 4-H Office
  - 4-H.uconn.edu
  - 1-888-FOURHCT
- 4-H Education Center at Auerfarm
  - auerfarm.org
  - 860-242-7144
- Connecticut Sea Grant
  - seagrant.uconn.edu
  - 860-405-9127
- Fairfield County
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- Hartford County
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