

East Feliciana Parish Profile



Report to Stakeholders

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About the LSU AgCenter

The LSU AgCenter is dedicated to providing innovative research, information and education to improve people's lives. Working in a unique statewide network of parish extension offices, research stations and academic departments, the LSU AgCenter helps Louisiana citizens make the best use of natural resources, protect the environment, enhance agricultural enterprises and develop human and community resources.



Program Highlights

Family and Consumer Sciences

Obesity is a national health issue prevalent across all socio-economic strata. The Council on Aging provides an excellent venue for teaching proper nutrition, food safety and healthy lifestyles to senior citizens and other age groups. Twenty-five older adults regularly participate in these lessons and as a result have increased their knowledge of nutrition, are aware of foodborne illnesses and have improved their health through exercise and proper eating habits. A new effort, Family Nutrition Program, is bringing the same information into the schools, teaching low-income elementary school students and their parents about nutrition, diets and healthy eating on a limited income.

4-H Youth Development

Teen and adult volunteers help Extension meet the educational needs of East Feliciana 4-H club members. In this parish, there are three youth that serve on 4-H state boards. These include food and fitness, fashion and citizenship boards. Three adult leaders participated in area leader trainings where they learned about club organization, the needs of 4-H, service-learning and character development. More than 2,000 youth had the opportunity to learn about healthy eating and healthy lifestyles.



Agriculture and Natural Resources

Feeder calf and timber production dominate agricultural production in East Feliciana Parish. Programs delivered to clientele include beef/forage field days, forestry forums, forestry field days, an oil/gas seminar and pesticide trainings. Beef producers were introduced to pasture irrigation as a method of prolonging late summer grazing and presented tools to use to select, develop and breed herd replacement females. Private pesticide applicators were trained in worker protection methods and learned techniques to minimize spray drift.



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Programs

4-H and Youth Development

- Wetlands Education
- Shooting Sports Program
- Teen Leadership
- Foods and Nutrition
- Life Skills Education
- 4-H Camp

Agriculture & Natural Resources (ANR)

- Beef Cattle
- Forages
- Forestry
- Horticulture/Lawns & Gardens
- Pest Management
- Wildlife

Family & Consumer Sciences (FCS)

- Family Resource Management
- FNP-Family Nutrition Program
- Nutrition and Health

Who we reach.

- 4,487 - Youth (includes 348 4-H club members and 10 school 4-H clubs)
- 16,483 - Adults
 - 4,500 Ag and Natural Resources
 - 900 Family and Consumer Sciences

How we reach them:

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| 4-H clubs | Publications |
| School enrichment | Demonstrations |
| Field days | Workshops |
| Newsletters | Websites |
| Seminars | |

Expanding our efforts:

- 212 Volunteers -
- 4-H, Family and Community, Master Cattle Producer, Master Gardeners,

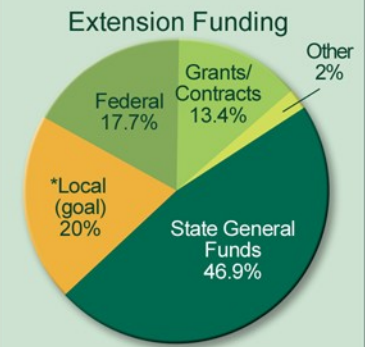
Parish Facts

LSU AgCenter county agents provide re- search-based information on plant, forestry, wildlife and animal enterprises to East Feliciana Parish clientele. The 2010 total dollar amount from these commodities was:

- Plant enterprises - \$18,217,469
- Fisheries and Wildlife - \$1,206,919
- Animal enterprises - \$14,314,526

Data from the Louisiana Ag Summary Website: LSUAgCenter.com/agsummary

- Population - 20,970
- Land area (square miles) - 453.40
- Persons under 18 years old - 21.4%
- Persons 65 years old and over - 12.7%
- Median household income - \$39,244
- Persons below poverty - 21.2%



**Local Funding*

*East Feliciana Parish Police Jury
East Feliciana Parish School System*

How we are funded.

You are the local supporters and beneficiaries in the LSU AgCenter's Extension programs. Just 20 percent support keeps these programs in your community.

Your parish extension office offers programs in:

- Sustaining Louisiana's agriculture, forestry and fisheries.
- Building leaders and good citizens through 4-H youth development.
- Family, nutrition, health and community development to enhance the quality of life for Louisiana citizens.

Local Issues & Plans for this year.

1. Increase productivity and profitability of Louisiana Agriculture.

- Conduct beef cattle and forestry field days
- Conduct a two-parish home grounds seminar
- Conduct a forestry forum
- Conduct a breeding soundness evaluation clinic
- Conduct pesticide recertification workshop
- Publish news articles in local newspaper and post fact sheets and other information on parish website
- Conduct farm and home educational visits



2. Build leaders and good citizens through 4-H youth development.

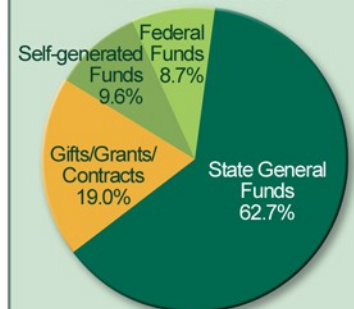
- Teach character development to 4-H club members and other students
- Conduct Mini-Farm for grades K-2, teaching about agriculture and food production
- Teach teen leadership skills and life lessons through Junior Leader conferences and Citizenship Camp
- Enhance and expand service learning projects
- Conduct food safety and healthy eating lessons through workshops and programs
- Teach bullying awareness to youth, parents and teachers
- Teach nutrition fitness and awareness of healthy eating habits



3. Strengthen families and communities.

- Teach FNP families how to prepare healthy meals on a limited budget
- Teach health awareness
- Conduct food safety and healthy living programs for parish families

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