2022 Statewide Needs Assessment Survey

Envisioning the Future: Cochise County

Arizona Cooperative Extension conducted a statewide needs assessment survey in Fall 2022 to better understand community needs and priorities. Cooperative Extension users, topical experts, and members of the general public from each county were invited to participate via online or paper survey. Participants were shown 99 items across topics relevant to Cooperative Extension and asked to rank how important it is to prioritize each item in their community on a 5-point scale.

Cochise County had 170 survey responses.



Health and community wellbeing

Education and youth development

Agriculture

Natural resources and the environment

Community and economic development

Top Priorities Identified by Cochise County Respondents

Percent of respondents who selected "extremely" or "very" important

Water conservation, 96%
Child abuse and neglect prevention, 93%
Access to affordable, healthy food, 93%
Having enough medical, dental, and mental health providers, 93%
Quality K-12 education, 92%
Access to affordable health insurance, 91%
Water quality, 91%
Recruitment and retention of qualified teachers, 90%
Healthy forests, forest restoration, and forest product development, 90%
Water-efficient farming and ranching, 90%
Water policy and water rights, 90%
Planning for and reducing drought effects, 90%
Helping all young people graduate high school or get a GED, 90%
Having enough, quality water for irrigation and livestock, 89%
Understanding and navigating the health care system, 89%
Infant and child health, 89%
Access to good, affordable child care and preschools, 88%
Small and local business support, 88%
Domestic violence prevention, 88%
Mental health and stress management, 88%
Screenings and early intervention for developmental delays, 88%

