## 2022 Statewide Needs Assessment Survey

## Envisioning the Future: Greenlee 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.

Greenlee County had 108 survey responses.



Health and community wellbeing

Education and youth development

Agriculture

Natural resources and the environment

Community and economic development

## **Top Priorities**Identified by Greenlee County Respondents

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

Quality K-12 education, 96% Preserving family or individually-owned farms and ranches, 95% Water policy and water rights, 93% Recruitment and retention of qualified teachers, 93% Access to affordable, healthy food, 92% Having enough, quality water for irrigation and livestock, 92% Helping all young people graduate high school or get a GED, 91% Water-efficient farming and ranching, 88% Support for new farmers and ranchers, 88% Affordable housing, 86% Farm and ranch profitability, 86% Access to affordable health insurance, 86% Planning for and reducing the severity of wildfires, 86% Having enough well-trained agricultural workers, 86% Planning for and reducing drought effects, 85% Water quality, 85% Water conservation, 84% Child abuse and neglect prevention, 83% Crop nutrient management (fertilizer and soil amendment), 83% Youth internships, apprenticeships, and mentoring for career development, 82%

