2022 Statewide Needs Assessment Survey

Envisioning the Future: Yuma 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.

Yuma County had 140 survey responses.



Health and community wellbeing

Education and youth development

Agriculture

Natural resources and the environment

Community and economic development

Top Priorities Identified by Yuma County Respondents

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

Quality K-12 education, 98% Water conservation, 97% Water quality, 97% Recruitment and retention of qualified teachers, 96% Water-efficient farming and ranching, 95% Child abuse and neglect prevention, 94% Water policy and water rights, 94% Having enough, quality water for irrigation and livestock, 93% Soil health, 93% Planning for and reducing drought effects, 92% Domestic violence prevention, 92% Infant and child health, 92% Having enough well-trained agricultural workers, 91% Helping all young people graduate high school or get a GED, 90% Early childhood reading and language skills, 90% Access to affordable, healthy food, 90% Healthy physical activity, 90% Food safety in agricultural production, 90% Screenings and early intervention for developmental delays, 90% In-school resources (e.g., counselors, nurses, substance use prevention), 90%

