Cost Benefit Analysis

Missouri 4-H Youth Development Programs
University of Missouri Extension
July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Return on Investment

Public Investment in University of Missouri Extension:

\$ 6,395,918

4-H Youth Development faculty and staff; administrative support

Other Investments: External Funding and Leveraged Resources:

Missouri 4-H Foundation \$ 587,494 Grants and Contracts \$ 1,642,359

10,145 volunteers @ 200 hours @\$18.70/hr \$ 37,530,000 (leveraged)

Total External/Leveraged

\$ 39,759,853

For every \$1.00 invested from public resources to support University of Missouri Extension, Missouri 4-H leveraged \$6.20 to serve the youth and families of Missouri.

Total Annual Investment:

\$ 46,155,770

This is an average annual investment of \$641 for each of the 71,996 young people enrolled in Missouri 4-H in 2012.

Program Value

For every \$1 from public resources invested in University of Missouri Extension, Missouri 4-H provided programming valued at a return of \$1.64 in program value to young people parents, communities and funders.

In "A Matter of Money: The cost and financing of youth development," the Center for Youth Development and Policy Research calculates the average cost of youth development programs as \$4.20 per hour. For the 71,966 youth enrolled in 4-H programs in 2012, the estimated value is:

25,329 youths in 4-H clubs @ 60 hours x \$3.92/hour \$6,382,908 16,614 youths in 4-H special interest @ 30 hours x \$3.92/hour \$2,093,364 41,703 youths in 4-H school enrichment @ 12 hours x \$3.92/hour \$2,011,752

Total 4-H Program Value

\$ 10,488,025