

OSU EXTENSION SERVICE



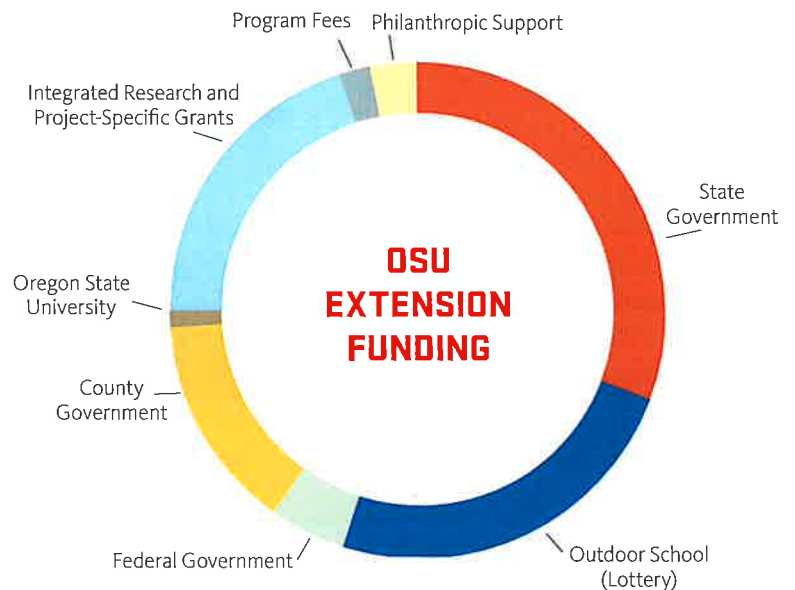
OSU Extension **engages** the people of Oregon with research-based knowledge and education that **strengthen** communities and economies, **sustain** natural resources and **promote** healthy families and individuals to create a resilient society.

WHAT IS EXTENSION?

A link. We connect Oregon's people and communities with the university to share knowledge and co-create solutions.

A partnership. Local investment leverages state and federal funds. 26 counties support Extension with voter-approved service districts or levies.

A trusted resource. We serve through professionals, volunteers and partners in every Oregon county and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.



Based on actual expenditures/revenue for FY22.

FAST FACTS

67,400+

Young people in 4-H and youth programs

13,000+

Volunteers extend capacity

620+

Employees serving Oregon*

* Full and partial Extension appointments



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2023 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

In the 2023-25 biennium, the OSU Statewide Public Service Programs — OSU Extension, Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station and the Oregon Forest Research Laboratory — will seek state legislative funding for the following.

1. Full base funding to sustain program and service levels:

- 8.67% increase to maintain current operations.
- \$2.2 million to restore deficit from 2021-23 allocation.

2. New and expanded programming to support a resilient future for Oregon:

Food systems

Natural resources

Communities, with focus on:

- Rural economic development and healthy communities.
- Urban social and environmental systems.
- Community health — including behavioral health and houselessness.

And bolster capacity to enhance core mission work in critical areas across ag, forestry, public health and youth development.

State funding is a critical complement to local investment in OSU Extension, and provides for delivery of statewide programming that is responsive to local needs.

ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES FOR EVERY COMMUNITY

With financial and facilities support from local government partners and input from local advisory councils, OSU Extension professionals work to understand and respond to community priorities. As a result, Extension is different in each county and community.

Here are a few highlights of our work across Oregon.



Thriving youth, individuals and families

Cultivating positive youth development by engaging youth in hands-on, experiential learning that fosters essential skills for life and leadership. Empowering students and families to access education and advance their careers. Includes 4-H, Juntos, Outdoor School and more.



Sustainable agriculture, food systems and gardening

Encouraging resilience across the food chain by enhancing pollinator health, farm and ranch productivity, food safety and food access in a changing climate. Supporting home and community gardens, and farms of all sizes. Includes Master Gardener, Master Melittologist, Small Farms Program and more.



Resilient and productive forests and natural ecosystems

Supporting sustainable natural resource management to ensure our forests and ecosystems continue to provide a wide array of benefits. Supporting woodland owners, communities and industry through research, education, technical support and community scientists. Includes Oregon Sea Grant, OSU Extension Fire Program, Master Woodland Manager, Oregon Forest Pest Detector and more.



Healthy communities and economies

Enhancing health and well-being for every stage of life through culturally-relevant, evidence-based programs on mental health, nutrition and physical activity, food preservation and more. Working with community coalitions toward positive change at individual, community and system levels. **Supporting workforce development** by building job skills and increasing college access.

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