Items of Interest

The Ridge Center for Targeted Studies: Request for Proposals

Deadline May 8, 2014

The purpose of the RIDGE Center for Target Studies is to invest in innovative social sciences-based research that explores the food and nutrition assistance challenges of rural people and places. The program is especially interested in a wide array of topics and issues. Proposals that focus on racial/ethnic populations, as well as low-wealth individuals/households, are strongly encouraged.

Learn more.

Cooperative Extension: A Century of Innovation

Cooperative Extension celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2014; the Land-Grant System will be reflecting on the first century of accomplishments and preparing for a second century of education. This commentary is the first in a series of six throughout the year that will analyze the rich history of Cooperative Extension, examine its role in contemporary society, and help us collaboratively envision the future of this unique American educational endeavor.

Learn more.
County Health Rankings
Each year the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, in partnership with the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, produces a ranking of the health outcomes and health factors for every county in the country. The chart also includes information on how to work with communities to improve health outcomes.

Learn more.

Conferences, Workshops, Trainings

16th Annual National Value-Added Agriculture Conference
National Value Added Conference and What Works III Regional Conference
National Press Club
May 13-15, 2013
Baltimore, MD

Learn more.

NACDEP 2014 - The Art of Reinvention
National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals
June 22-25, 2014
Grand Rapids, MI

Learn more.
CDS 2014 Annual International Conference

Keynote speaker Chad Predgracke. Pregracke organizes community cleanups across the country through his non-profit, Living Lands & Waters.

July 20 – 23, 2014
Dubuque, Iowa

Learn more.

RSS 2014 Annual Conference

Equity, Democracy, and the Commons: Counter-Narratives for Rural Transformation

Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting

July 30 - August 3, 2014
New Orleans, LA

Learn more.

Job Opportunities

Assistant Professor – Nonprofit Leadership and Management in Rural and Urban Communities

The University of Florida is offering a 12-month tenure-accruing position in the Department of Family, Youth and Community Sciences, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, assigned 65% Extension and 35% research. This assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit.

Learn more.
Program Director, V.G. Young Institute of County Government

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is pleased to announce the opening for the position of Director, V.G. Young Institute of County Government. A Masters Degree in Education, Public Administration, Political Science, or related field is required. Doctorate Degree in Education, Public Administration, Political Science, or related field is preferred.

Learn more.

Upcoming Webinars Series

How to Run Meetings that Don’t Leave Introverts Out
May 6, 2014
Learn more.

Helping WI Kids Get Covered: Connecting to Health Coverage through Schools.
An example of a state working to insure children.
May 29, 2014
Learn more.

Archived Webinars

Blogging for Food
February 13, 2014

Crafting A Consistent Marketing Message!
January 9, 2014
Affordable Care Act and Your Small Business

October 10, 2013

Are You a Supermarket Vendor or a Super Market Vendor?

June 13, 2013

Tracking Sales to Learn What Customers Really Think

May 9, 2013

Learn more.

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