Putting Knowledge to Work!

West Virginia University Extension works to provide “solutions in your community” through key program areas including agriculture, environment and natural resources, 4-H youth development, food and nutrition, health and wellness, financial planning and home gardening. These research-based programs and services are available to all residents of Logan County thanks to the tremendous support of our community members, local organizations, volunteers and local partners – the Board of Education and County Commission.

Highlights

Partnered with PIECES coalition to provide substance abuse prevention activities for approximately 650 Logan County high School students during Red Ribbon Week

4-H and Youth Development

In 2015, we celebrated 100 years of 4-H camping!

- 34 youth and 6 adults attended Logan County 4-H Camp.
- Three youth attended State 4-H Camp.
- Funded 5 Energy Express sites. D (served 7,822 meals).

Community, Economic and Workforce Development

- Bill Richardson wrote and received three grants totaling $110,000 to support tourism development in Mingo and Logan counties.
- Bill Richardson is bringing hundreds of tourists into Mingo and Logan counties on motor coaches that add tens of thousands of dollars to the local economy.
- Bill Richardson is doing research to track the economic impact of heritage tourism in Mingo and Logan counties.

Families and Health

- Families and Health educational activities encourages youth and adults to develop healthy lifestyle behaviors. Over 1,200 individuals were reached in 2015 through various activities.
- Financially prepared 38 DHHR employees to transition from a bi-monthly pay schedule to a bi-weekly pay schedule.
- Provided nutrition education and food security for families through delivery of Cooking Matters program. Participants learned how to prepare healthy and delicious meals while developing budgeting skills.

- All three county high schools participated in Southern West Virginia Lifestyles Initiative (SWVL) Project which produced 32,150 social media posts of youth engaging in healthy behaviors.