



Extension Service: 100 Stories in Marion County's First 100 years

We are celebrating by finding at least 100 great stories of how Extension programs have had a personal impact on someone's life or family member that now resides in Marion County. A story about one's experience as a 4H member, club leader or volunteer; a new skill or ability as a result of Extension practice; a career impact – or simply a smarter way to improve one's well-being. ***What changed? What got better as a result of Extension?***

We are looking for real stories that represent the broad work of Extension, from helping pull people out of the despair of poverty, to building their wisdom, to helping increase their prosperity, to help others, etc. These stories should be from current Marion County residents who are willing to share this information with photos then and now. *We are not asking you to write your entire story*, just share the facts and let our volunteers follow up later with a few questions and glean additional information as needed. We might conduct a video interview if you would be willing to participate further in sharing your story.

Here is a checklist of key questions to help us tell your story (use page two for details of your story):

As a result of Extension Service (name), _____

was able to: _____

1. Year(s) this happened _____ Name of Extension staff/agent if known: _____

2. Some of the specific Extension related activities were: _____

3. Some of my activities were: _____

4. At what point in your Extension activity did you **first** begin to realize it was making a positive difference for you?
almost immediately after a few wks/mtgs after a few months/activities or not until _____

5. **Please write a paragraph of highlights of your story on page two.** Some story components are: When? Where? What need was there? What changed for you or improved as a result of extension programs or activities?

6. Are there others you know who may also have a story to share? yes no If yes, can you share their names or contact information here? _____

Your Name _____ Postal City & Zip _____

Email/telephone Contact Information: _____ If telephone, best time to call: _____ Mailing Address: _____

Choose one: I authorize you to share: my story, my name and possibly likeness (photo, video) with the media, on our web site and published in Extension materials, my first name and last initial only, other_____.

Signature

Date: _____

Submit: _____

Please feel free to add detail to your story by answering the questions below.

What changed for you or improved as a result of extension programs or activities?

When did this occur?

Where (what event or organization)?

What need was there?

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