



Your Monthly News & Updates

Webinar - "Youth in MCB"
March 9, 2017
6:00-7:00pm



You will learn:

Benefits available to youth involved in MCB

What is required of an MCB Youth

Don't reinvent the wheel. Engage and involve youth from other established groups such as 4-H, Interact, FFA, FBLA, Church Youth Groups, YEP, Scouts....

Hear from MCB Sponsors who are involved with active MCB Youth Groups; how they were established and how they are maintained.

The March 9 webinar/discussion is open to 4-H staff, volunteers/club leaders, schools, youth organizations, and local leaders supportive of youth development.

To register, please contact:

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The webinar is offered free of charge through a partnership between Missouri 4-H and Missouri Community Betterment.

Speak Up For Rural Missouri

[Link to Survey](#)

Have you noticed how much of the reporting on rural America focuses on the "decline" of rural America? While we would all agree that some rural areas are struggling, we also know that many are doing just fine, but that doesn't often get reported or recognized. Much of the data that is collected and reported about rural communities is quantitative (numbers) and that doesn't tell the full story. What's missing is the voice of rural residents. To better understand the assets... and opportunities, as well as issues and recommendations, for rural communities, we need your help. All the experts have something to say but now it's your turn.



The Missouri Rural Development Partners, Missouri's federally authorized rural development council, is launching the first annual Missouri Rural Survey to hear from rural citizens, business owners and leaders about the key issues, opportunities and challenges facing rural Missouri communities. The survey is done in partnership with University of Missouri Extension and the Missouri Department of Economic Development's Office of Rural Development and is supported by many statewide organizations, including Rural Missouri Magazine and Missouri Community Betterment.

The anonymous online survey is open until March 30th, to anyone over 18 years of age and should take about 15 minutes to complete. Your responses will provide a better understanding of the attitudes and opinions of actual rural Missouri residents. Survey results, again completely anonymous, will be published later in 2017 and also provided to local, state and national leaders so they can gauge the issues facing rural communities.

If you are not able to access the online survey and would like to receive a paper copy, please email your name and mailing address to gulicks@missouri.edu or call 573-882-8393 and we'll send one to you. Thanks for listening, and thanks for speaking out-using your voice to speak for rural Missouri.

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2017 "Feels Like Home Tour" Selected Communities

We are happy to announce the MCB Communities selected for the 2017 MCB/MoDED "Feels Like Home Tour". Tour visits will begin the end of March. Contact [Teresa Keller](#) for additional information.

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