



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT (BOSAIR)

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Award Type: Agenda Item

Is a Board Meeting Date Requested? Yes

Requested Board Meeting Date: 01/20/2026

Project Title / Description: Pima County Cooperative Extension Annual Report and Presentation

Agenda Item Report

Introduction / Background: The University of Arizona Pima County Cooperative Extension (Pima Extension) offers educational programming on natural resources, 4-H youth development, and health and nutrition to the citizens of Pima County.

Discussion: Per state statute, the County Board of Supervisors appoints the County Extension Advisory Board and receives an annual report from the office. In FY25, Pima County provided \$151,400 to Pima County Cooperative Extension through a budgeted appropriations agreement between Pima County and the University of Arizona. This presentation will describe the distribution of Pima Extension program impact in County Districts in addition to highlighting FY25 program successes and goals.

Conclusion: Pima Extension programs provide education and engagement to help people throughout Pima County improve their lives. Pima Extension programs provide direct education as well as strategic planning and community collaborations to help Pima County residents and systems become more resilient in the face of future challenges. The support from Pima County government is crucial to that mission and is much appreciated.

Recommendation: Continued support by Pima County for University of Arizona Pima County Cooperative Extension programs and operations.

Fiscal Impact: Discussions are underway to evaluate funding levels in relationship to program elements currently supported by the County and through Pima County Conservation Lands and Resources Department.

Support of Prosperity Initiative: C-S 2. Address Climate Resilience and Environmental Justice

Provide information that explains how this activity supports the selected Prosperity Initiative

This activity supports multiple Prosperity Initiatives:
(2) Pima County Cooperative Extension provides health and wellness programs and services in high poverty neighborhoods to intentionally improve access to resources. The Garden Kitchen is one highly successful example, located in South Tucson.
(6) Through collaborative projects throughout the county, Pima County Cooperative

Extension connects parents and education providers to enhance early childcare and education that continues through middle-school 4-H programs.

(10) Pima County Cooperative Extension provides extensive training for all County residents (including underserved) that prepares youth, young adults, and adults for the workforce. Transferable job skills that do not require advanced degrees (such as landscaping/horticulture, culinary skills, customer service, and community engagement) are highly sought after, and Cooperative Extension provides training in these areas and hosts youth, interns, and students for hands-on training opportunities throughout the year.

(11) Through their Family and Consumer Services programs, Pima County Cooperative Extension provides entrepreneurship training and small business development workshops that support minorities and other underserved communities in their goals to strengthen local businesses. Through their hosted farmers markets, they also provide opportunities for local entrepreneurs to access clients and customers.

(12) Pima County Cooperative Extension's Family and Consumer Services programs also support financial literacy throughout underserved neighborhoods in the County, which increases awareness of financial empowerment resources available.

(C-S 2) Pima County Cooperative Extension provides training, opportunities for community engagement, and workshops related to natural resources to reduce environmental degradation because of invasive species. Through these efforts, they reduce wildland fuel build-up and thus, reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire across the County.

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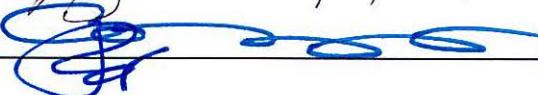
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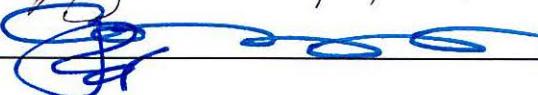
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