

EXTENSION TRENDS: **FREMONT COUNTY**

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2025 By the Numbers

- **12,159** direct contacts
- **307** youth participants
- **32** volunteers
- **256** volunteer hours
- **\$2,357,165** extramural funding

Our Advisory Council

Special thanks to our volunteers who help shape programming and inform the work we do for UI Extension in Fremont County: Rebecca Anderson, Kim Crain, Weston Crapo, Kenny Dalling, Blair Dance, Nate Froelich, Brody Harshbarger, Rick Hill, Jamie Little, Sam Lusk, Brian Miller, Corbett Peebles, Laura Pickard, Andrew Schauerhamer, Morgan Schauerhamer, Frank Tavaréz, Irene Tavaréz and Clint Washburn.

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2025 Impact

UI Extension, Fremont County delivered high-impact, community-centered programs that reached 12,159 direct contacts across agriculture, youth development and community education in 2025. Extension held field trials on lime applications, barley and wheat management, and non-dormant alfalfa, providing producers with research-based tools to improve soil health, yields, and management decisions. More than 75 classes, workshops, and presentations—including pesticide applicator trainings, gardening classes, and greenhouse and noxious weed webinars—equipped residents with practical, applicable skills. Youth programs remained a cornerstone, engaging 307 youth through 4-H camps, livestock shows, leadership events, the county fair and state competitions. Extension also supported 32 volunteers, whose service expanded program capacity and enriched learning opportunities for youth and adults. Innovative STEM education continued through the AgXRP robotics program, blending agriculture, engineering and coding to support teachers and students. Master Gardener programming, including the regional convention, elevated horticulture knowledge for gardeners, educators and professionals across eastern Idaho.

4-H in Fremont County

The UI Extension, Fremont County 4-H program delivered hands-on learning and community engagement opportunities. A total of 307 youth participated in clubs, camps, leadership programs, and fair activities, gaining skills in agriculture, STEM, citizenship, and personal responsibility. A major highlight was Alpine 4-H Camp, where 63 youth were immersed in outdoor learning, leadership activities, and team-building experiences. Members excelled at the Fremont County Fair and Eastern Idaho State Fair, exhibiting livestock and participating in horse, dog, rabbit and small animal projects. Leadership development thrived through the State Leadership Convention, Parliamentary Procedure and Conduct of Meetings LDEs, Horse Bowl, and countywide activities. Youth gained confidence and strengthened communication and teamwork skills while representing Fremont County at regional and state events. Thirty-two dedicated volunteers provided essential mentorship, club leadership and event support, making these achievements possible.

On the Horizon

New and upcoming programs will strengthen UI Extension's impact in Fremont County. A major highlight is the AgXRP Robotics program, which will be piloted in high schools across Idaho. This statewide rollout will give students hands-on experience with agricultural robotics, engineering design, programming and problem-solving. An AgXRP curriculum is being developed, including modules on soils, engineering, programming, cybersecurity, and applied agricultural science. The next phase of the precipitated calcium carbonate soil pH remediation study will commence, along with ongoing trials on alfalfa varieties, herbicide interactions and soil health. These projects provide producers with data-driven recommendations to strengthen management decisions. Outreach will be expanded through the new Green Thumb Community Gardening classes, offered every month throughout Fremont County. These classes will provide residents with practical, seasonally relevant gardening skills—from soil preparation and pruning to pest management and greenhouse care. Youth and community programs will continue to grow through enhanced workshops, leadership events and hands-on learning opportunities. Together, these initiatives represent a year of innovation, strengthened partnerships and exciting statewide impact.