

EXTENSION TRENDS: **PAYETTE COUNTY**

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2025 By the Numbers

- **1,890** direct contacts
- **365** youth participants
- **75** volunteers

Our Advisory Council

Special thanks to our volunteers who help shape programming and inform the work we do for UI Extension in Payette County: Barbara Brody, Danny Gabiola, Mike Partin, Carolina Gomez and Gayle VanWeerdhizen.

2025 Impact

UI Extension in Payette County impacts the community by providing educational opportunities to an area that is rapidly growing and changing. This year programming mainly focused on enrolled 4-H members, providing fun and safe activities for youth. From livestock to family and consumer science topics, youth were engaged with hands-on activities. Payette County has 26 4-H clubs that were also offering unique experiences to youth.

4-H in Payette County

Highlights of the 4-H year included the 4-H Friday day camps that were offered. Throughout the year, 4-H Program Coordinator FaithAnn Hynek facilitated five day camps including the science of slime, jewelry making, gifts from the kitchen, forensic science, and skillet creations. Each day camp had 15-20 youth in attendance and were the highlight of many youth experiences. Another highlight was a beef quality assurance day that featured two guest speakers who brought in live calves for youth to learn off. The Payette County Teen Leaders were also a big highlight this year with monthly meetings and a growing number of excited teens.

On the Horizon

The UI Extension, Payette County office will be offering a 4-H club officer training in 2026 and an oral presentation boot camp, both of which have been requested by clubs and families. A babysitting class will be offered during spring break.