

Ohio State University Extension Community Development Program Review

Key Questions for External Review

Does a clear and compelling vision exist for the OSU Extension Community Development Program? What are the priorities for the OSU Extension Community Development Program? How do these priorities connect with the vision for OSU Extension and CFAES? What evidence is there of alignment?

What common community development framework guides the work of OSU Extension Community Development faculty and staff?

To what degree does the OSU Extension Community Development Program engage with the academic departments of the Colleges of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, Education and Human Ecology, or other colleges on Ohio State campuses to enhance and advance programmatic efforts? What opportunities for collaboration should be pursued?

Do the demographic characteristics of Ohio residents engaged in OSU Extension Community Development mirror the population of the state? If not, what groups are underrepresented? What strategies might be used to increase participation by those groups? How do the demographic characteristics of OSU Extension Community Development personnel reflect those of the state?

How do county-based OSU Extension Community Development professionals describe their role?

Are county-based OSU Extension Community Development faculty and staff getting what they need from the state Community Development office faculty and staff? If not, what are the specific things needed?

Does the OSU Extension Community Development program receive what it needs from Extension administration? CFAES? Relevant support units? The broader university?

How do current stakeholders and partners in the OSU Extension Community Development program advance the growth of community development in Ohio? In what ways do they restrict or constrain growth?

How can OSU Extension Community Development work more effectively with advancement staff to increase private support for OSU Extension Community? How can OSU Extension Community Development work more effectively to increase public support?

To what degree are OSU Extension Community Development program efforts aligned with others such as NACDEP, CDS, IACD, eXtension, nonprofits and government agencies focused on community development at the regional / national / international levels?

