Cooperative Extension carries out University of Nebraska's land-grant mission by extending reliable, research-based information to the public for use in everyday life.

Lancaster County Extension utilizes multiple media avenues and new technologies to impact people in Lancaster County and beyond, 24 hours a day.

UNL Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County’s Web site, lancaster.unl.edu, has grown substantially since 1998, from receiving approximately 101,000 total hits annually to nearly 1,900,000!

Visitors can easily navigate the site and find resources on 4-H and Youth Programs, Agriculture and Agcres, Environment and Natural Resources, Family Living, Food Safety and Nutrition, Gardening, Home Environment, Posts and Points and Wildlife. Visitors can also learn more about Lancaster County through numerous educational newsletters and view current and archived issues of The Nebraska newsletter. Hundreds of Web site users have signed up to receive free weekly updates and announcements via e-mail.

The content-rich Web site is updated daily and consists of more than 3,000 Web pages with numerous educational resources, a program calendar, photos of events, multimedia clips and downloadable Powerpoint presentations. The site also has interactive features such as a searchable database, online registration forms, quizzes and Master Gardener Diagnostic Center.

The 4-H Egg Web Cam was selected by the National Science Teachers Association as a resource for their "SciLinks," an endeavor to connect textbooks to useful online content, and the site was listed as a “Kool Site of the Week” on the national radio program, "The Kim Komando Show."

The Head Lice Resources You Can Trust portion of Lancaster County Extension’s Web site was also selected as a "SciLinks."

The Food Web site continues to be rated “Among the Best!” by Tufts University Nutrition Education Navigator — a rating guide to Nutrition Web sites.

Over 3,000 Web Pages of Content

"I would like to compliment you on your excellent Web site — it is probably the most informative one on the net."

— Web site user

Partnering with the Community

Through numerous partnerships and collaborations, Cooperative Extension leverages its resources and those of the community to reach larger audiences and maximize impact. In the past year, UNL Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County has partnered with the following organizations, agencies, businesses and schools: