

**PDC Strategic Opportunities Survey  
Metro Area Data  
91 Surveys Received**

	<b>Number Of Respondents</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Ag And Natural Resources	17	18.7
Community Development	21	23.1
Family And Consumer Science	26	28.6
4-H Youth Development	27	29.7

	<b>Number Of Respondents To Important Or Somewhat Important</b>	<b>Percentage Important Or Somewhat Important</b>
<b>SUSTAIN PROFITABLE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION SYSTEMS</b>		
Develop Animal And Crop Production Systems That Thrive In The Variable Conditions Of The Great Plains	68	79.1
Develop Horticulture, Forestry And Alternative Green Enterprises That Thrive In The Variable Conditions Of The Great Plains	65	75.6
Advance New And Improved Systems Of Agricultural Production To Meet The Needs Of Producers And Consumers	71	82.5
Enhance The Value Of Agricultural Products	68	79.1
<b>PREPARE PEOPLE IN KANSAS TO THRIVE IN A GLOBAL WORKFORCE AND ALL ASPECTS OF LIFE</b>		
Improve Life-Long Money Management Skills To Create Financial Security	78	91.8
Build Harmonious Relationships To Create Resilient Families	68	80.0
Help Children And Youth Develop Competence, Confidence, Integrity, Compassion And A Sense Of Belonging	78	91.8
Engage Youth In The Sciences To Improve Life For A Sustainable World	78	91.8
Assist People To Successfully Live In Their Homes As Long As Possible	69	81.2
<b>IDENTIFY PATHWAYS FOR EFFICIENT AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY USE</b>		
Identify And Assess Opportunities For Economic Development Through Alternative Energy	71	83.6
Increase Sciences-Based Knowledge On Energy Resources And Technologies	76	89.4
Enhance Knowledge And Skills About Efficient Energy Practices	81	95.2

<b>ENSURE AN ABUNDANT AND SAFE FOOD SUPPLY FOR ALL</b>		
Improve Access To High Quality Foods, Including Local Foods, Especially For Consumers With Limited Resources	76	89.4
Increase Food Variety And Value By Developing New And Enhanced Food Products	58	68.3
Enhance The Safety Of Our Food Supply By Reducing Or Eliminating Hazards From Food Production To Consumption	77	90.6
Improve Protection And Defense Strategies To Safeguard The Food Supply	72	84.7
<b>ENHANCE EFFECTIVE DECISION-MAKING REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP</b>		
Improve And Protect Soil And Water Quality In Agricultural, Rural, And Urban Landscapes And Watersheds	80	95.2
Conserve And Prolong The Life Of The Ogallala Aquifer And Other Important Surface And Groundwater Resources While Sustaining Communities Dependent On Those Water Resources	75	89.3
Improve Understanding Of Sources, Fate, And Transport Of Air Emissions From Confined Animal Feeding, Agricultural Burning And Tillage , Soil Erosion, And Other Activities	66	78.6
Improve Understanding Of Natural Resources, Environmental, Economic, And Social Impacts Of Changing Climate And Energy Needs	69	82.1
<b>ASSIST COMMUNITIES IN BECOMING SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT TO THE UNCERTAINTIES OF ECONOMICS, WEATHER, HEALTH, AND SECURITY</b>		
Grow Communities' Capacity To Identify And Meet Local Needs	67	79.7
Improve Participation Of Children, Youth, And Adults In The Life Of The Community	79	94.1
Enhance Community Leadership And Entrepreneurship	74	88.1
Help Residents, Organizations, And Communities Identify Opportunities For Partnerships	71	84.5
Partner With Communities To Facilitate Preparation For, Response To, And Recovery From Emergencies And Disasters	71	84.5
<b>CREATE OPPORTUNITIES AND SUPPORT PEOPLE IN KANSAS TO IMPROVE THEIR PHYSICAL, MENTAL, AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING</b>		
Build Capacity Of People To Optimize Their Personal Health And Well-Being And To Avoid Or Manage Chronic Health Conditions	69	82.2
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