

East Carroll Parish Profile

Report to Stakeholders December 2019



About the LSU AgCenter

The LSU AgCenter is dedicated to providing innovative research, information and education to improve people's lives. Working in a statewide network of parish extension offices, research stations and academic departments, the LSU AgCenter helps Louisiana citizens make the best use of natural resources, protect the environment, enhance agricultural enterprises, and develop human and community resources.

Program Highlights

Family and Consumer Sciences

The FCS program of Southern University is research-based and provides programs such as Family Financial Management, Conflict Resolution, Health & Wellness and Parenting. These programs disseminate information to the citizens of Louisiana in a manner that is useful in addressing their technological, social economic and cultural needs. Parents can prepare for success when they develop knowledge and skills in family life and money management. Parenting enables parents to provide the necessary guidance and discipline to help children become responsible adults.

4-H Youth Development

The East Carroll Parish Youth Development Program provides diverse opportunities for youth and adult volunteers to make a difference in their lives and that of their communities. Young people acquire valuable knowledge and life skills through participation in local, parish, state and national programs. We are flexible in offering many opportunities for youth and family participation, including 4-H workshops, overnight camps, community service and service-learning activities, project trainings, age appropriate competitions and many other fun and educational activities throughout the year.

Agriculture and Natural Resources

ANR programs are designed to bring LSU research-based information to Ag producers in the areas of row crop agriculture, forestry, aquaculture and cattle production, and to homeowners in the areas of home gardening and lawn care. On-farm demonstrations are the most common form of education and include variety trials for all of the crops grown in East Carroll Parish, verification trials and workshops addressing in-season issues. Further information is delivered via newsletter, email, Facebook, on-farm visits, telephone calls and newspaper articles. Worker Protection standards are provided for farm workers yearly.

Horticulture

Horticulture programming for East Carroll Parish is designed to increase gardening and lawn care knowledge of students and adults within the parish. This is accomplished through programs such as Louisiana Master Gardener, Library to the Garden, home visits, emails, social media and Horticulture Hints. All information provided is backed by research from LSU AgCenter scientists.



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Programs

4-H and Youth Development

- Citizenship/Leadership
- Science, Engineering & Technology
- Healthy Living

Agriculture and Natural Resources

- Commercial Vegetable Production
- Crop Variety & Agronomic Demonstrations & Recommendations
- Farm & Pesticide Safety
- Pest Management
- Soybean & Rice Verification Programs

Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS)

- Smart Portions
- Smart Bodies
- Healthy Beginnings
- Community Nutrition
- Parents Preparing for Success
- Family Resource Management
- Nutrition & Health

Horticulture

- LA Master Gardener Program
- Community & School Gardens
- Lawns & Gardens
- Vegetable Production

Whom we reach:

In the first four months of the fiscal year, East Carroll Parish reached the following number of contacts:

	Youth	Adults
4-H	1,245	109
ANR	--	737
FCS	--	--
Horticulture	60	865
Total	1,305	1,711

How we reach them:

4-H Clubs, school enrichment, field days, publications, newsletters, class series, social media, email, newspaper, demonstrations, website and workshops.

Expanding our efforts:

75 volunteers from 4-H, agriculture and natural resources, family and consumer sciences and horticulture.

Parish Facts:

LSU AgCenter county agents provide research-based information on plant, aquaculture, wildlife and animal enterprises to East Carroll Parish residents. The total dollar amount from these commodities were:

- Animal enterprises - \$2,056,781
- Aquaculture and wildlife - \$49,527
- Plant enterprises - \$110,888,854

Land area — 420.70 square miles

Population — 7,037

Population under 18 years old — 24.6%

Population 65 years old and over — 14.8%

Median household income — \$20,795

Persons below poverty — 46.7%

Local issues and plans for this year

Increase productivity and profitability of Louisiana agriculture.

- Write news columns, web page content and seminars on agriculture practices.
- Conduct farm and home educational visits.
- Conduct variety and related on-farm demonstrations.
- Conduct Worker Protection Standards training.

Build leaders and good citizens through 4-H youth development.

- Develop and implement service-learning projects throughout the parish.

Strengthen families and communities

- Conduct parenting education sessions to build family management/resiliency skills.
- Conduct monthly nutrition education programs for families and youth.
- Distribute nutrition fact sheets for Food for Seniors, commodity distribution site.



William B. Richardson, LSU Vice President for Agriculture, Louisiana State University Agricultural Center, Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, LSU College of Agriculture. The LSU AgCenter and LSU provide equal opportunities in programs and employment.

How we are funded

You are the local supporters and beneficiaries in the LSU AgCenter extension programs. Just 20% support keeps these programs in your community.

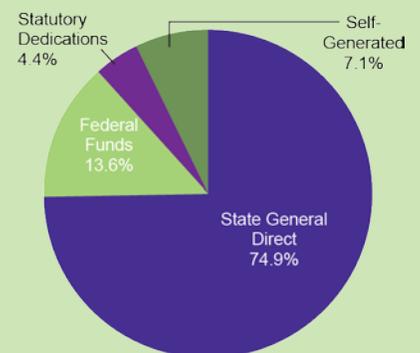
Your parish extension office offers programs in:

Sustaining Louisiana agriculture, forestry and fisheries.

Building leaders and good citizens through 4-H Youth Development.

Family, nutrition and health to enhance the quality of life for Louisiana's citizens.

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