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Extending Knowledge Changing Lives

2015 Public Value Statement-Positive Youth Development

When you support University of Illinois Extension 4-H programs, youth participants develop life skills that prep them for the workforce ahead. Youth learn communication, leadership, and decision-making skills through positive youth development, which increases their likelihood of becoming a positive credit to society, makes them less likely to participate in high-risk behaviors, and equips them with the necessary tools to effectively communicate with peers and adults. Youth succeed academically and they increase in their civic involvement. This ultimately ensures that more youth excel in their communities and advance in their career paths. This decreases crime rates, increases greater tax revenue and consumer spending, and raises the likelihood that youth will stay or return to their communities.



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