



# Supporting Rural Communities

Rural areas face many challenges, but they also have many strengths. Hatch Multistate research projects are amplifying the voices of rural families, showcasing their strengths, and addressing their needs. Scientists are studying changes in rural areas and finding ways to address major economic, environmental, and health crises. Research and Extension have helped increase access to utilities, healthcare, jobs, and food in rural areas and improved emergency response to hurricanes, wildfires, and COVID-19.



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