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# New MU Extension county council member[s] announced

NAME OF CITY, Mo. – [*name*], of [*hometown and/or county*], has been [*elected|appointed*] to a [*term*]-year term on the University of Missouri *[name of county]* Extension Council.

*[If multiple elected, use this: The following people have been [elected/appointed] to a [term]-year term on the University of Missouri [name of county] Extension Council: [bulleted list: name, hometown, affiliation, whether elected/appointment, term if differs]*

County extension councils serve as partners with MU Extension to identify local needs related to agriculture and the environment, youth and families, health and well-being and educational access and excellence. Composed of about 1,300 appointed and elected members, councils in all 114 Missouri counties and the City of St. Louis help guide local extension programming and manage finances and personnel for county extension operations.

*OPTIONAL:*

*Brief background[s] on member[s]*

*If news release is about a single member, then provide an optional brief quote from member about being on council.]*

*If news release includes multiple members, provide an optional brief quote from council chair, welcoming new council members and referencing importance of extension work in the county.]*

Through their efforts building community connections and partnerships, extension councils help MU carry out its land-grant mission to share the university’s research, knowledge and resources to improve Missourians’ lives.

[Required:]

For more information about extension councils, go to <https://extension.missouri.edu/programs/mu-extension-way/network-of-councils>.

*MU Extension is the link between the University of Missouri’s proven research, knowledge and resources, and Missouri’s 6.2 million citizens. Together, with state and local partners, we deliver innovative real-world solutions to address the grand challenges our state faces around agriculture, economic opportunity, educational access and health and well-being. Our faculty and staff in 114 counties and the City of St. Louis work to empower people, strengthen communities and develop new leaders. True to our land-grant mission, we serve Missouri and deliver Mizzou as we improve lives and opportunities now — and for Missouri’s future.*

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