2021 Impact

Few Extension events were held in Oneida County in 2021 due to the absence of an Extension educator for most of the year. In September, Sawyer Fonnesbeck was hired as the new UI Extension, Oneida County educator.

Since September, a meeting was held on water management within the Malad Valley as well as a beef school for producers in Oneida County. Both meetings were well attended. There are many more events planned for the upcoming year which will benefit the residents of Oneida County.

4-H in Oneida County

The Oneida County 4-H program had a great year in 2021 with many club projects being completed and a successful county fair and livestock sale. In September, the 4-H program held a Bug Extravaganza event where youth were able to learn about and hold certain insects and arachnids. This was a huge success and saw over 100 kids come to the new county event center to participate. There are plans to hold this event again in future years.

On the Horizon

UI Extension, Oneida County will offer more classes and informational sessions for farmers and ranchers which will help them gain more knowledge to help manage their operations. With a new educator available, plans are being made to help land and homeowners with soil samples and forage testing and bringing other opportunities to the community. There are also plans to increase the size and number of 4-H clubs available for youth in the county.

2021 By the Numbers

- **235** direct contacts
- **182** youth participants
- **19** volunteers
- **160** volunteer hours

Our Advisory Council

Special thanks to our volunteers who help shape programming and inform the work we do for UI Extension in Oneida County: Bill Lewis, Phillip Firth, John Williams, Jon Abrams, Josh Pasket, Lexie Evans and Luke Waldron.

UI Extension Educator

Sawyer Fonnesbeck
208-766-2243
sfonnesbeck@uidaho.edu