Increase:
- Number of Oklahomans completing safety audits to identify potential hazards in the home
- Number of Oklahomans practicing safety and injury prevention
- Number of Oklahomans prepared for emergencies
- Number of Oklahomans using assistive technology (Any tool or service that helps a person living with a condition that limits their ability to achieve an activity of daily living.)
- Increase number of Oklahomans with injury/disability who are seeking assistance

In Oklahoma, falls, fires/burns, and poisonings account for the majority of unintentional home injury deaths among all age groups.

Oklahoma is vulnerable to many natural disasters each year such as tornadoes, ice storms, floods and wildfires. These disasters can cause significant financial loss by destroying homes and businesses.

Among all age groups, older adults are most likely to die due to home injury. Over 13% of Oklahoma’s population is age 65 years and older, and of those, 31.3% live alone. One out of three adults age 65 and older fall each year, costing Medicare between $9,000 and $13,500 per fall.

It is estimated that between 15 and 30 percent of American farm operators and farm workers have physical disabilities, many of them sustained on the farm.

Societal Outcomes
An increase in the number of aging Oklahomans able to safely live independently will reduce Medicare costs to the state. Improved housing will result in a healthier workforce and attract new businesses to the state. By helping injured Oklahomans return to the workforce the number of people requiring Social Security Disability assistance will decrease. Improving housing and reducing housing related health issues will positively affect individuals, families, and communities.
OKLAHOMA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

Safety Issue Team Programs offered

Farm and Animal Safety
- Animal Safety
- ATV Safety
- Beef quality Assurance
- Farm Safety/Tractor Safety
- Lawn mower safety
- Master Cattleman’s
- Oklahoma Meat Goat Manual
- Pork Quality Assurance

Youth & General Safety
- Camp Counselor Training Manual
- Click it or Ticket
- Cyber Safety
- First Aid
- Oklahoma Gardening
- Shooting Sports
- Sun Safety
- The 8 Essential Elements of 4-H Youth Development

Housing and Older Adults Safety
- Arthritis Foundation Land Exercise Training
- Empowering Older Adults to Shop, Cook, & Eat
- Healthy Housing
- Integrated Pest Management
- Oklahoma Geriatric Education Center Disaster Preparedness Materials
- Reducing Chemical Exposure
- Your Home for a Lifetime

Partners
- Your Local County Educator
- OSU Extension Specialists
- Program Advisory Committee
- Various Partnering Organizations

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL EXTENSION EDUCATOR TO SCHEDULE A SAFETY PROGRAM

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