

A searchable directory of programmatic resources for Managing in Tough Times (MiTTNet) was created which contains over 800 educational resources for use by Extension professionals in developing educational programs for farm and ranch managers, individuals and families, youth, and communities related to meeting the demands of today's economic challenges. The URL is <http://MiTTNet.extension.org>. Resources can be viewed and downloaded for use in local programming by Extension faculty and staff. This is NOT a resource for the public, but a directory of educational materials and resources available to Cooperative Extension faculty and staff to use as they help to meet the challenges their clientele are facing in today's economic environment.

In the individuals and families area there are 511 resources listed and educators are being encouraged to continue to add resources as they are developed. The leadership of this initiative plans to send out messages to the system highlighting how Extension educators are using the Directory with success stories highlighted. Please send anecdotal information about how the MiTTNet Directory has been used, excellent resources found in the Directory, or a programmatic success related to MiTTNet that can be forwarded on to the marketing group. Send this information to Nancy Porter, Leader of the Individuals and Families Group, at [nporter@clermson.edu](mailto:nporter@clermson.edu).

In order to receive these general messages, people need to sign up to be a member of the Managing in Tough Times Community. The instructions are:

First, you must have an eXtension ID. If you don't have one, simply go to <http://people.extension.org>. At the bottom of the login page you will see: "If you don't already have an eXtension ID, please [signup for one!](#)" Once you have received confirmation that your eXtension ID is approved, simply log in to eXtension via <http://people.extension.org>. In the navigation bar you will see "Communities." Click and then scroll down to "Browse the list of communities." Choose the Managing in Tough Times Community. Ask to join. You'll receive an email when your community membership has been approved.

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For additional information about the "Managing in Tough Times" initiative contact Lyla Houglum, Western Region Extension Executive Director, [lyla.houglum@oregonstate.edu](mailto:lyla.houglum@oregonstate.edu).