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Glenn County 4-H Celebrates National 4-H Week: October 5-11

Every year, National 4-H Week sees millions of youth, parents, volunteers, and alumni come together to celebrate the many positive youth development opportunities offered by 4-H. The National 4-H Council created a campaign to rally support for Cooperative Extension's 4-H program and identify solutions to eliminate the opportunity gap that affects 55 million kids across America.

The 2025 National 4-H Week theme is "Beyond Ready." This perfectly describes what 4-H provides for young people. Through hands-on learning, project work, leadership opportunities, and community service, 4-H members gain not only knowledge but also the confidence, communication skills, and real-world experience they need to thrive—today and in the future. 4-H youth aren't just preparing for what comes next; they are beyond ready to step into it.

Glenn County 4-H has a long and strong history of providing positive, learn-by-doing community service and self-esteem-building activities, as well as opportunities for leadership and communication. In Glenn County 4-H, youth are truly given opportunities to lead. They serve as club officers, chair event committees, assist as Junior or Teen Leaders in projects, and even take part in the oversight of our county program. They also build confidence in public speaking, whether at our County Presentation Day event, in workshops, in clubs and projects, or in classrooms. All these experiences help prepare our youth for their future.



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With a strong foundation and continued support from the community, we can continue to provide youth with impactful experiences, a sense of belonging, youth-adult partnerships, and opportunities to prepare so that they are beyond ready.

We strive to reach more youth in our community, and I'm proud to say we have. In the 2024-2025 program year, the Glenn County 4-H Youth Development Program reached just over 400 youth and approximately 95 volunteer leaders-each contributing to stronger families, schools, and communities. The increase in involvement comes through the support of seven community clubs, 4-H Overnight Camp, and the newly introduced Teens as Teachers program, which offers teens the opportunity to deliver curriculum in our local afterschool programs.

Glenn County 4-H youth members Dalton Cecil of the Plaza 4-H Club and Miranda Zaragoza of the Stoney Creek 4-H Club presented the National 4-H Week Proclamation at the Glenn County Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2025. Glenn County 4-H will observe National 4-H Week this year by celebrating the daily themes that showcase the values and impact of 4-H. Each day highlights a unique focus—from 4-H spirit and service, to hands-on learning, leadership, and volunteer appreciation. Together, these themes reflect how 4-H youth are "Beyond Ready" to make a difference, not just in the future, but here and now. Start your week off by going green on **Monday**, **October 6**, **2025**, for 4-H Spirit Day and join us in showing your 4-H pride. Then, follow along throughout the week as we celebrate service, learning, leadership, volunteers, and the families and communities that make 4-H strong.

About 4-H – 4-H, the nation's largest youth development and empowerment organization, cultivates confident kids who tackle the issues that matter most in their communities. In the United States, 4-H

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programs empower six million young people through the 110 land-grant universities and Cooperative

Extension in more than 3,000 local offices serving every county and parish in the country. Outside the United States, independent, country-led 4-H organizations empower one million young people in more than 50 countries. National 4-H Council is the private sector, nonprofit partner of the Cooperative Extension System and 4-H National Headquarters located at the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) within the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

To learn more about Glenn County 4-H, visit: https://ucanr.edu/county/glenn-county/glenn-county-4-h-
program. Find Glenn County 4-H on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/GlennCounty4H/, and on
lnstagram.com/ucce_glenn_county_4h/. If you have any questions, please contact the Glenn County UC Cooperative Extension Office at (530) 865-1107.



Figure 1: Glenn County 4-H youth members, Community Education Specialist, and Glenn County Board of Supervisors celebrate National 4-H Week.