



# Kings County 4-H County-Level Record Book Award Information

In addition to the standard CA 4-H [Record Book](#) and [Achievement Programs](#), Kings County offers a few optional awards that are unique to our county. These awards are available to 4-H members ages 9-18 (as of 12/31 of the program year). Read below for more information on how to apply, requirements, and how they are evaluated.

## Project Medals

Project Medals can be earned by completing an Annual Project Report (APR) and an Expression Page, a full record book is not required. Members may only apply for a medal in one project per year. Project medals are awarded to all members who meet the criteria and are presented at the annual Achievement Night Award Ceremony. To apply include the application with your APR when submitted at the end of the year to your Club Leader.

### Project Medal Criteria:

- **Completed Annual Project Report (APR)**
  - All sections of report must be completed
  - Document required information: Date, Level, Hours, What, Where, Learned
  - Describe activities and experiences in the project
  - Tell what was learned and skills gained in the project
  - Include project financial record of expenses and income/value
- **100% Project Completion as required by the Project Leader**
  - APR must be signed by the Project Leader (only), confirming meeting attendance and project completion.
- **Share learning experiences with other 4-H members or community audiences and record in APR**
  - Juniors: 1 formal presentation in the project area as defined in the [4-H Presentation Manual](#) OR 4 communication activities in the project area.
  - Intermediates and Seniors: 2 formal presentations in the project area as defined in the [4-H Presentation Manual](#). (This can be two different presentations or one formal presentation given at two separate events.) OR 7 communication activities in the project area.
  - Communication Activity Examples
    - Write an article or blog post for the *4-H Youth Talk Newsletter*, 4-H website, 4-H social media page, or local/school newspaper.
    - Give an 4-H event or project report at any 4-H meeting at any level.
    - Write a thank-you letter to someone that supports your 4-H project.
    - Make a video that promotes 4-H and your project to the community.
    - Appear as a guest representing 4-H for radio or television.

- Represent 4-H to outside groups or audiences such as an informational booth at a community event or speaking about 4-H at school.
    - Serve as a judge at a 4-H activity or contest.
  - **Demonstrate a specific concept or knowledge gained in the project on an Expression Page**
    - The Expression Page should teach the reader something the member learned which was interesting to them. Design should be age appropriate, creative, and show how they identified their Spark(s) through the project.
    - If the Expression page is a drawing, written words, photos or other graphic images, the page must be one side of an 8 ½" x 11" piece of paper. The member may draw, write, use graphic design elements, or other creative elements, etc.
    - If the Expression page is a slide deck, provide the URL to the slide deck for viewing electronically or make a PDF of the slide deck and insert it into the record book. Slide deck slides are limited to 4 pages.
    - If the Expression page is a video or audio recording, provide the URL to the item. Videos and audio recordings should be less than 5 minutes.
  - **Show some form of community service or leadership in the project that is appropriate for age and year in 4-H**
    - Community Service Examples
      - Dog Project - Volunteer at an Animal Shelter
      - Gardening Project - Build a garden at a school or community site
      - Sewing Project - Donate gently used clothing
    - Leadership Examples
      - Swine Project - Serve as a Junior or Teen Leader
      - Dairy Project - Arrange a tour of a local dairy
      - Robotics Project - Lead a robotics workshop for younger members
  - **Formatting**
    - Record Book or APR should be submitted in a binder or folder and include a Cover Page containing: Name, Age, Birthday, Club, County, and Program Year. ([Record Book Manual](#) has more info on formatting)

## Outstanding Project Awards

Outstanding Project Awards are presented annually to one Kings County 4-H member in each project area. To qualify, members must earn both a Record Book Medal and a Project Medal during the current program year. Awards are open to all project areas, and first-year members are eligible to apply. Recipients are announced at the Achievement Night Award Ceremony and receive an individual plaque. In addition, five awards have sponsored perpetual plaques displayed at the Kings UCCE Office: the Brock Toledo Outstanding Dairy Award, Liz Perreira Outstanding Photography Award, Marion Brazil Outstanding Sheep Award, Peter Belezzuoli Outstanding Beef Award, and Ralph Loya Outstanding Swine Award. To apply include the completed Outstanding Project Award application with your Record Book when submitted at the end of the year to your Club Leader.

## Outstanding Project Award Criteria:

- **Earned a Project Medal in the Outstanding Project this year**
- **Earned a Record Book Medal this year**
- **References project in 4-H Story**
  - Member includes project in the 4-H Story included in their Record Book
- **Gave a 4-H Presentation related to the Outstanding Project this year**
  - Presentation must meet requirements as defined in the [4-H Presentation Manual](#)
  - Presentations are worth points depending on where it was given
    - 4-H Presentation Day events at the County, Regional, and State Levels are each worth 3 points
    - Serving as a Farm Day presenter is worth 5 points
    - Other public events are worth 1 point each
- **Shows activity in project**
  - Judging and Showing/Exhibiting activities are worth points depending on the event
  - **Judging Contests**
    - 4-H Club Level Judging Activities are worth 1 point
    - 4-H County Level Judging Events are worth 3 points
    - 4-H State Level Judging Events are worth 3 points
    - Other Judging Events are worth 1 point each
  - **Shows and Exhibits**
    - Kings County 4-H Fair
      - 3 points per exhibit, Example: 3 points per photo entered or 3 points per livestock animal shown
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    - Other events are worth 1 point each
      - Examples of other events include State Fair, 4-H State Field Day, CA 4-H Horse Classic, or Breed Association Shows.
      - Youth may not participate as a 4-H member in jackpot or prospector shows that do not comply with the [4-H Policy](#). Participation in these shows should NOT be recorded.
- **Bonus Point Opportunities**
  - Member serving as Junior or Teen Leader in the project is worth 10 points
    - Must include Leadership Report in Record Book which shows what goals were set and accomplished
  - Member incorporated their outstanding project into their other projects. This is judged on a scale:
    - No Evidence - 0 Points
    - Minimal Evidence - 1 Point
    - Moderate Evidence - 2 Points
    - Strong Evidence - 3 Points

- Examples:
      - Sheep Project - Member is also enrolled in Cooking (used lamb as an ingredient) and in Sewing (used wool to create one of their designs)
      - Photography - Member is also enrolled in Woodworking (made frames for their photos) and in Scrapbooking (used photos taken in photography project)
  - Member participated in community service and/or leadership activities during the current year, worth 1 point per activity
    - Examples:
      - Community Service - Donation drives, volunteering, writing letters to military service members
      - Leadership - Serve on a 4-H committee at any level, lead a 4-H group activity, be a 4-H officer, enroll and participate in a leadership project at any level, attend a 4-H leadership conference, workshop, or training at any level, be a junior or teen leader in other projects

## Resources

[Project Medal Application](#)

[Outstanding Project Award Application](#)

[Outstanding Project Award Score Sheet](#)

[CA 4-H Record Book Resource Center](#)

[CA 4-H Presentation Manual](#)

[Kings County 4-H Website](#)

## Questions?

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Points for awards at Kings County 4-H Fair & Kings Fair:

	Place	Points
Livestock Market/Breeding Classes, Indoor Event Classes, and Dog Show Agility and Obedience Classes	1	5
	2	4
	3	3
	4	2
	5	1
Showmanship Classes	1	8
	2	7
	3	6
	4	5
	5	4
Round Robin	1	8
	2	7
	3	6
	4	5
	5	4
Breed Champion		6
Reserve Breed Champion		5
Grand Champion/Best in Show		4
Reserve Grand Champion/Reserve Best in Show		3
Supreme Champion		2
Reserve Supreme Champion		1
Outstanding Exhibitor		8
People's Choice Award		5