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Volunteer at the 4-H Outreach Booth at the Yuba-Sutter Fair!



The **Yuba-Sutter Fair** is just around the corner! From **June 25–28**, our 4-H Outreach Booth will be in the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau’s Ag Ventures building located in **Palmer Hall**. Our booth will providing a great opportunity

to share the many benefits and experiences 4-H offers youth throughout our counties.

Members are invited to man the booth and tell people about our program. Working the booth is a fun way to meet community members, answer questions about 4-H, and help recruit future members and volunteers. Whether you enjoy talking about animal projects, leadership opportunities, STEM activities, community service, or other 4-H experiences, your enthusiasm can make a lasting impression on fair visitors.

We ask that members volunteering at the booth

1. Wear their **4-H uniform or club t-shirt**
2. Be prepared to actively engage with the public.



This is a **Bi-County Event**. As an added bonus, spending time in Palmer Hall can provide a welcome break from the summer heat during fair week!

[Sign up Here!](#)

Thank you for helping us share the 4-H story with our community!

As always our booth display will include our embryology program along with club members project photos.

4-H Fair Booth Display— Celebrate Your 4-H Legacy!



Help us create a special display for the 4-H Booth by sharing your family's 4-H story!

Gather photos from past and present generations of 4-H members and create a fun collage showcasing your family's 4-H legacy. Include photos of family members in their 4-H uniforms, project activities, award-winning moments, or memorable experiences. You can also add captions, descriptions, or a timeline highlighting your family's journey through 4-H. Be creative and have fun with it! Your display will help tell the story of how 4-H has impacted families across Sutter and Yuba Counties for generations.

Display Size: 8" x 10" to 12" x 12"

Contact me with any questions 530-822-7515 or rjmccrory@ucanr.edu.

**Celebrate the End of the 4-H Year!
Sunday, July 26 | Gauche Aquatic Park, Yuba City**

Join us for the **Sutter-Yuba 4-H End of Year Party** on Sunday, July 26, from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at GAP, 421 C Street in Yuba City. All youth members enrolled in 4-H during the 2025–2026 program year and their families are invited to attend.

Come celebrate another successful year of learning, leadership, service, and fun with fellow 4-H members. Snacks will be provided, and admission is free. Be sure to RSVP and join us as we wrap up the year and look ahead to another exciting season of 4-H opportunities!

RSVP HERE





COUNTY UPDATES

Join the Sutter-Yuba 4-H County Ambassador Team!



Become a 4-H County Ambassador!

Are you 14–18 and ready to grow as a leader? Apply to be a 4-H County Ambassador and represent your community while gaining valuable skills, recognition, and new friendships!

Why Apply?

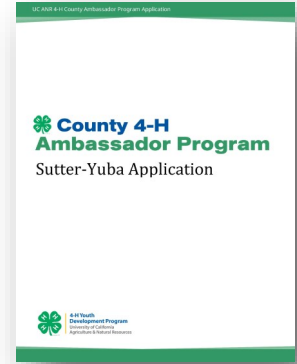
- Build leadership and public speaking skills
- Make a difference in your community
- Connect with youth and mentors

Requirements:

- 1+ year in 4-H
- Leadership, service, and public speaking experience
- OR achieve Gold Star Rank



Apply now and take the next step in your 4-H journey!



County 4-H Ambassador Application Form



2025-2025 New Year Community Club Leader Meeting Thursday, August 19, 2026 | 5:30pm Returning Volunteer Training 6:30pm Meeting Start

Mandatory meeting for all club leaders.

**If you cannot make the meeting, please send a club representative.*

What you will get:

- Returning Volunteer Training
- Updates on county and state policy and procedures
- Information on requirements to your club charter
- Networking
- Answer to your questions

It is very important that at least one Community Club Leader (*if not all*) from each club attend this meeting. If you cannot make it, please call me at 530-822-7515.



Year End Club Documents Deadlines



Facility Use Agreement

Prior to 1st Club Meeting - **September 2026**

Club Information Form

September 4, 2026

2025-2026 Outreach Methods
(complete [online](#) or [paper](#))

September 4, 2026

2025-2026 Secretary's Book

September 4, 2026

2025-2026 Treasurer's Book

September 4, 2026

Forms Required to maintain charter status:

- Completed [Club Budget Form](#) for 2025-2026 year (with actuals)
- Completed Audit/Peer Review (form [8.5](#) & [8.6](#))
- [Club Inventory Form](#) (form 6.2)
- [Annual Financial Report Form](#) (form 6.3)

2025-2026 [Online Financial Report](#)
(opens July 1st)


September 4, 2026



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4-H Kick Off Event Update:

The 4-H Kick-Off Event is getting a fresh new focus this year as we work to better introduce families and youth to the many opportunities available through 4-H. The event will remain in **September**, allowing clubs to help distribute information and flyers as students return to school.

 This year's event will feature club information booths and sample project displays designed to showcase the hands-on learning experiences 4-H offers. Families interested in joining 4-H will have the opportunity to meet members and leaders, learn about different projects, and explore how 4-H helps youth develop leadership, citizenship, life skills, and confidence through fun, educational activities.

We encourage every club to host at least one booth — or more if possible — to share information about your club, highlight project areas, and help welcome new members into the 4-H community.

Contact me with any questions at 530-822-7515 or rjmccrory@ucanr.edu. The event flyer will be ready closer to September.

Marysville Stampede Cattle Drive—**SAVE THE DATE**

Mark your calendars! The 2026 Marysville Stampede Cattle Drive will take place on **Thursday, September 10, 2026**. Please note that this year's event will be held on a **Thursday**, which is a change from previous years. Let me know if your club plans to have a float in the Stampede Parade. **THIS IS A BI-COUNTY EVENT.**

ZSuite Enrollment System Rollover:

- Closes to enrollment because of the end of year: **June 23 at 12pm**
- Opens for the new program year 2026-2027: **August 3rd, 12pm**



Volunteer Training Annual Rollover:

- Adult Volunteers can begin self-enrolling: **July 14 at 12pm**
- Last day to complete 2025-2026 New & Returning Volunteer courses: **June 23rd**—For those of you who are yet to complete your required trainings, please complete as soon as possible.
- The training for 2026-2027 program year will be available starting **July 1, 2026**

ACCESSIBILITY UPDATE & TIPS

Digital accessibility means making sure everyone can read, understand, and use our newsletter, website and social media post including people with visual, hearing, or cognitive disabilities. Small steps like using clear headings, simple language, readable colors, and image descriptions help make content easier for everyone to enjoy. Our goal is to create information that is welcoming, inclusive, and accessible to all readers.

Tips to consider when creating content:

- **Use clear headings** and short sections to make content easy to follow.
- **Keep text simple** with short sentences, bullet points, and spacing.
- **Use clear links** that describe where they go instead of "click here."
- **Add alt text to images** so screen readers can describe them.
- **Use high-contrast colors** and easy-to-read fonts.
- **Keep tables simple** and use header rows for data.
- **Include captions** for videos and important details in post captions.
- **Use CamelCase hashtags** like #DigitalAccessibilityTips so screen readers can read them correctly.
- **Use emojis sparingly** and place them at the end of posts.
- Avoid putting important information only in graphics or images.





COUNTY UPDATES

4-H Council/VMO update:

To align with the California 4-H Strategic Plan, Sutter-Yuba 4-H is transitioning to a new Volunteer Management Organization (VMO) model designed to focus more on youth development and less on administrative paperwork.

As part of this update, the 4-H Council will now be called the **Yuba-Sutter Counties 4-H Program Leadership Team**, made up of volunteers, youth members, staff, and partners. The former Executive Committee is now the **Administrative Commission**, and governance will shift from formal bylaws to more flexible operating procedures. In addition, Council meetings will now become **Town Halls**, open to all 4-H members, families, and leaders to encourage greater communication and involvement.

While the structure is changing, the programs and events members enjoy will continue as usual. Clubs and committees will still lead bi-county events, while the Administrative Commission oversees budgets and program support. These statewide changes will be implemented by **July 1, 2026**, helping keep 4-H accessible, sustainable, and focused on positive youth development for years to come.

Contact Rene in the 4-H office if you have any questions rjmccrory@ucanr.edu or 53-822-7515.



Calling All Young Entrepreneurs: BizKidz 2026

Do your kids have a creative idea, hobby, or product they would love to share? BizKidz 2026 is a fun opportunity for youth ages 6–17 to explore entrepreneurship, creativity, and leadership through hands-on experience.

Selected participants will get the chance to run their own booth at the Yuba Sutter Marketplace on July 25, 2026, where they can sell products or services, meet community members, and compete for prizes.

This is a great opportunity for 4-H members interested in crafts, agriculture, photography, art, woodworking, pet services, technology, and more. Business idea submissions are open June 8–July 12, so now is the perfect time to start brainstorming!

Learn more at ShopYubaSutterMarketplace.com



Y-S FAIR ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS UPDATE

Beginning with the *2026–2027 4-H program year*, all fair exhibitor entry requirements must be completed by **May 1st**. To be eligible to exhibit at the Yuba-Sutter Fair, members must complete the following requirements by the deadline:



- Be enrolled in 4-H through ZSuite by **November 1st**
- Give a presentation at the appropriate level by **May 1st**
- Attend at least 2 Bi-County events by **May 1st**
- Attend and complete their project exhibiting at Fair—[Steps to Success in 4-H](#)

Primary members are exempt from these requirements. (We strongly encouraged primary members participate and follow the requirements whenever possible. Doing so helps young members build important skills, develop good habits early, and gain a fuller 4-H learning experience while preparing them for future participation as regular members.)

Please plan ahead and complete all requirements on time to remain eligible for the Yuba-Sutter Fair participation.

⇒ Please note that bi-county events start in **July!**





2026-2027

Sutter-Yuba Counties 4-H Council

Calendar of Events

July 2026

- 24 County Record Book Judging
 - 26 End of Year Party
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August

- 19 CCL Meeting
 - TBD Club Officers Training
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September

- 3 Town Hall Meeting
 - 7 Labor Day Parade, Nicolaus
 - 10 Cattle Drive
 - 12-13 Marysville Stampede Rodeo
Kits Area Booth
 - 20 4-H Kick Off Event
 - 25 Farm Day
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October

- 4-10 National 4-H Week
 - TBD Volunteer Workshop
 - (18)TBC Fall Fair
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November

- 5 Town Hall Meeting
- 11 Veterans Day Parade
- 14 Craft Day
- 27-12/13 TSC Paper Clover (start)

December

- 11/27-13 TSC Paper Clover (con't)
 - 5 Christmas Parade
 - TBD CSU Chico Sheep & Goat Day
 - 12 Browns Valley Christmas Parade
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January 2026

- 7 4-H Town Hall Meeting
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February

- TBD County Presentation Day
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March

- 6 Bok Kai
 - 4 4-H Town Hall Meeting
 - TBD FB Spring Fling
 - 14 Color Me Green
 - TBD Regional Presentation Day
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April

- TBA TSC Paper Clover Campaign
 - TBD 4-H Talent Show
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May

- 1 County Fashion Revue
 - TBD Awards Banquet
 - 6 4-H Town Hall Meeting
 - TBD 4-H State Field Day
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June

- 24-27 Yuba-Sutter Fair 4-H Booth



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Isabel Garcia Memorial 4-H Senior Scholarship Winner

Sutter-Yuba 4-H is proud to announce that **Olivia Salle** has been selected as the recipient of the **2026 Isabel Garcia Memorial 4-H Senior Scholarship**. Throughout her 4-H career, Olivia has demonstrated outstanding leadership, dedication, and service. She has been actively involved in livestock projects, mentored younger members, and shared her passion for agriculture education through youth embryology programs. As a club teen leader and County Ambassador, Olivia has completed hundreds of hours of community service while inspiring others through her commitment, compassion, and leadership. The Isabel Garcia Memorial Scholarship recognizes graduating 4-H members who exemplify the values of leadership, service, and excellence. Olivia's contributions to Sutter-Yuba 4-H make her a deserving recipient of this honor. *Congratulations, Olivia!*



From Showmanship to Service: How 4-H Shaped My Leadership Journey

By Olivia Salle

My name is Olivia Salle, and I am a senior at Sutter Union High School. I will be attending CSU, Chico this fall to major in Biology with the goal of becoming an orthodontist. For the past five years, I have dedicated a large part of my high school career to Sutter-Yuba Counties 4-H, where I served as a County Ambassador and Teen Leader. While most people think 4-H is about livestock, my experience has been rooted in community service, agriculture education, and leadership development.

I joined Franklin 4-H at thirteen years old and quickly discovered a passion for showing animals. Over the years, I earned several awards at the Yuba-Sutter Fair, including Supreme Champion Poultry Meat Pen, 4-H Senior Champion Poultry Showman, and Reserve 4-H Senior Small Animal Master Showman. I also competed at the California State Fair, winning Champion Poultry Showman twice and placing in Small Animal Master Showmanship. In addition to poultry, I have shown lambs, dogs, pigmy goats, and rabbits through both 4-H and FFA.

Success at fair has been amazing, but I wanted to be more involved. I started showing up to events and helping wherever I could. I became a County Ambassador after my second year in 4-H. Having an animal project teaches you about



responsibility and time management. How to care for an animal that depends on you, but being a leader means that people depend on you, that young members look to you for guidance. Leaders come to you to better understand your perspective. Getting to be a voice for so many members has been an honor. Since 2023, I have completed over 240 hours of service to 4-H and participated in close to ninety events.

One of the most rewarding experiences was getting involved in the Embryology program. I first started donating eggs, then eventually took my love for chickens to Park Avenue Preschool where I helped the students learn about the life cycle of an egg and brought in my silkie, Kevin, for show and tell. Recently at the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau Farm Day, I talked about embryology to everyone visiting the 4-H booth. Watching the students' faces light up when learning about chickens and hatching eggs from my hens, is something I will never forget. It taught me that the best part of specialized knowledge is getting to share it with others. Because of my work with embryology in the classroom, I won the 2024 California Golden Clover Award for Brown Lee Science.

My time in 4-H taught me about advocacy, compassion, and work ethics. Beyond animals, I learned how to impact my community through service and education. I am grateful for the opportunities and support 4-H has given me, and I will carry these experiences with me into the next chapter of my life. 🌱

Supporting Youth During Competitive Season

May is Mental Health Awareness Month—a timely reminder that the fair and competition season, while exciting, can also feel overwhelming for youth and families. The pressure to perform, win, and meet expectations can create real stress for both kids and parents.

Prioritizing emotional wellbeing is just as important as preparing projects. Encouraging balance, open conversations, and a focus on growth over results can make a lasting difference.

Find helpful tips and resources here: <https://ucan.edu/blog/thriving-forward/article/supporting-youth-mental-and-emotional-health-4-h-competitive>

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Sutter-Yuba 4-H Featured in Crop Talk

The latest edition of *Crop Talk* features the inspiring story of our own **Olivia Salle** and her 4-H leadership journey. Olivia's article highlights the many opportunities 4-H provides for youth to develop leadership skills, serve their communities, and grow through hands-on learning experiences. We are proud to see one of our members representing Sutter-Yuba 4-H and sharing the positive impact that 4-H has had on her life.

We have the opportunity to write a 4-H article twice a year. Once in June around Yuba-Sutter Fair and then in October during National 4-H Week. If you would like to write an article about your 4-H experience, a special project, a community service activity, or your fair project, please contact Rene McCrory at the 4-H Office at rimccrory@ucanr.edu or **530-822-7515**. We would love to help share your 4-H story with the community.



Matt would like to lead a NEW project in Sutter and Yuba Counties



Matt is interested in leading a **new 4-H project** in Sutter and Yuba Counties and would like your input on what topics members would be interested in joining. Your feedback will help shape this new opportunity for the 2026-2027 4-H program year. Please take a moment to complete this quick 2-minute survey by **Friday, June 26th**.

Matt is also looking for an adult volunteer who would be interested in co-leading the project. If you'd like to help Matt, please let us know.

COMPLETE SURVEY





STATE UPDATES

2026 California 4-H State Leadership Conference

Cosmic Impact: Launch Your Spark

Mark your calendars for the **2026 California 4-H State Leadership Conference**, happening July 23–26, 2026 at UC Davis! Youth ages 11–19 are invited to join fellow 4-H members from across California for four exciting days of leadership development, hands-on workshops, inspiring speakers, and unforgettable experiences.

Participants will experience college life by staying in UC Davis residence halls, eating in the dining commons, and attending sessions in university classrooms. This year's conference theme, *Cosmic Impact: Launch Your Spark*, encourages youth to explore new interests, build leadership skills, and prepare for future success.

New for 2026, all age groups will arrive together on Thursday, July 23 for a full conference experience. Members will also have the opportunity to choose from five program tracks:



- Animal Science & Agriculture
- Civics & Leadership
- Healthy Living
- Shooting Sports Leadership
- STEM

interest.

Registration and additional details, including Program Assistant, Facilitator, and Chaperone opportunities, are now available. We encourage families to start planning for this exciting statewide event!

For additional information and registration details, [visit the California 4-H State Leadership Conference website.](#)

For more information, contact 4hslc@ucanr.edu.

Horse Classic 2026

California 4-H Horse Classic July 15-19, 2026 Brookside Park, Elk Grove

Get ready to compete at the California 4-H Horse Classic! The Educational Contests will be held July 15 and 16. Please [go to the Equine Science page](#) on the Resource Center for study resources. The top placing Senior teams or individuals qualify to represent California 4-H at the National 4-H Horse Classic at the Western National Roundup in Denver, CO.

New options have been added this year for the State 4-H Horse Classic Show on July 17-19. We will now have Novice Rider and three age divisions, plus Ranch is now available for all age and skill divisions. Ranch is also now included in the overall high point!

Registration due July 1. Shirts are included this year- register early to guarantee your shirt size!

Learn more about Horse Classic at bit.ly/CA-4-H-Horse-Classic.

CALIFORNIA 4-H HORSE CLASSIC

California 4-H State Horse Classic

at Brookside Show Park, Elk Grove, CA
July 15-19, 2026
REGISTER BY JULY 1

bit.ly/CA-4-H-Horse-Classic

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Agriculture & Natural Resources



STATE UPDATE

Fall 2026 Level 1 Training Workshops SAVE THE DATE, DETAILS TO FOLLOW



Thinking about becoming a 4-H Shooting Sports Leader? Plan now for our Fall 2026 trainings in Merced County at the Safety First Shooting Sports Range in Winton, CA.

Be sure to reference the process to become a Shooting Sports Project leader in the image below.

Archery or Shotgun -- **August 8-9, 2026**
Rifle -- **September 12-13, 2026**
Archery or Shotgun -- **October 10-11, 2026**
Rifle -- **November 7-8, 2026**

Pistol, Western Heritage and Muzzle Loading will be added by request.

Want to be directly notified once workshop registration is live, [complete this form.](#)



4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification



SUTTER-YUBA 4-H CLUB MEETINGS

4-H Club	Meeting Location	Day & Time	Club Contact	
Barry	Online Via Zoom	3rd Thurs 6:00 pm	Linsey Lowery	lazylivestock@hotmail.com
Browns Valley	Foothill Lions Club	1st Mon 7:00 pm	Jessica Wiggins	jesswiggins24@gmail.com
District 10	Truth Tabernacle	1st Sun 3:30 pm	Tamera Wilson	mrwilson1218@yahoo.com
Feather River	Online Via Zoom	3rd Tues 7:30 pm	Kim Eagan	kimberleyeagan@yahoo.com
Franklin	Franklin Elementary School	1st Wed 7:00 pm	Jill LeVake	jill.levake@corteva.com
Hallwood	Church of the Nazarene, Hallwood	1st Sun 5:00pm	Renick House	renickh@hotmail.com
Hi 4-H	YCCPCS	Last Thurs 12:00pm	Renick House	renickh@hotmail.com
Live Oak	Boy Scout Hall	1st Wed 6:30 pm	Janet Jewell	janiejewell1559@gmail.com
Pleasant Grove	Pleasant Grove School	2nd Wed 6:30 pm	Kristen Chiaratti	kchiaratti11@gmail.com
Plumas	Lindhurst High School	3rd Thurs 6:00 pm	Angie High	angelahigh@ymail.com
Sutter Buttes	Sutter Youth Organization	2nd Tues 6:30 pm	Candice Fresquez	candiceyoung@gmail.com
Wheatland	Southern Baptist Church	2nd Mon 7:00pm	Robin Burrow	brburrow1@gmail.com





I pledge my...

HEAD to clearer thinking,
HEART to greater loyalty,
HANDS to larger service,
HEALTH to better living,
for my club,
my community,
my country,
and my world.

