## NEVADA COUNTY 4-H PROFICIENCY PROGRAM Citizenship - Overview

The **4-H Citizenship Proficiency program** helps you learn what you need to know to become a citizen of the world. Through the Citizenship project, you will learn to demonstrate social responsibility, and to respect and respond to the needs, rights, and responsibilities of others.

There are many resources to help you learn more about your project:

- The 4-H Publications Catalog lists a variety of project materials and resources recommended for use in your project.
- The 4-H Educational Resources and Lending Library at your county 4-H office includes books, videos and reference materials that can be checked out by members and leaders.
- You can get information on citizenship from your 4-H office or groups that deal with legislative action, such as League of Women Voters and political party offices, as well as from legislators at the city, county, state or national level. You can take field trips to see government in action – from the local school board to a 4-H Citizenship Focus trip.

There are four levels in the Project Proficiency Program. You may choose how many levels you wish to complete:

- Level I "Explorer", you begin to learn about many different aspects of citizenship.
- Level II "Producer", you learn more about your community and local government.
- Level III "Consumer", you become involved in social responsibility and your community.
- **Level IV "Leader"**, allows you to show your own leadership potential.

As you work through the citizenship proficiency program, your leader will date each skill item as you complete it. When all items in a proficiency level are completed, your leader will sign the Certificate of Achievement and notify the County Project Coordinator.

PRIMARY MEMBERS ARE NOT ELIBIGLE TO PARTICIPATE IN PROFICIENCY PROGRAMS.

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