



## Orange County 4-H Scholarship Application Form

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

### MEMBER INFORMATION:

Applicant Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received any other Orange County or State 4-H Scholarships during this program year? YES / NO (Circle one.)

If yes, for what event/need? \_\_\_\_\_

I will volunteer at \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H event.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### EVENT/NEED INFORMATION - Please select ( ☒ ) the event or need for which you are applying.

#### 4-H County or State

- ☐ Southern Youth Summit
- ☐ Ag Day at the Capitol
- ☐ CA Focus
- ☐ Mindfulness Retreat
- ☐ CA State Leadership Conference
- ☐ CA State Field Day
- ☐ Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4-H National

- ☐ National 4-H Conference
- ☐ Citizenship Washington Focus
- ☐ National Youth Science Day
- ☐ Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Other need

- ☐ Camp, specify \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Project materials, specify \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

### MEMBER OBJECTIVE (You may attach an extra sheet if needed.)

Describe Conference, Camp, or Event to attend and why you wish to attend:

OR

Describe Project Funds needed or other special need and why you need them:

List all costs to participate in and travel to this event:

Describe any fundraising you are planning to do:

**\*NOTE:** Priority is given to applicants who fundraise to cover some of the costs for this event/project

### MEMBER ELIGIBILITY

**MEMBER:** Please request a recommendation from someone who knows you well enough to answer the following questions.

**REFERENCE:** Please check the appropriate box in your recommendation of this applicant:

In my careful estimation I find. . .	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The applicant is highly motivated.					
The applicant communicates well with others.					
The applicant is a positive role model for other youth.					
This applicant demonstrates a passion for 4-H.					
The applicant would be well- suited to participate in the selected event.					

Reference Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Reference Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Known Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference Contact Info: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBER:** Please have your Club Leader complete this certification.

I verify that this applicant is a member in good standing  
and meets all qualifications.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Club Leader

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

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#### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE USE ONLY

Scholarship awarded \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Fund/Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Member Initials			
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Notations: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Commitment Met event \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_



## **Orange County 4-H Scholarship Application Form - Instructions**

- ❖ Orange County Council and the Scholarship Selection Committee, in conjunction with 4-H YDP County Staff, are committed to awarding scholarships to candidates who go beyond the minimum participation in 4-H.
- ❖ Orange County Council and the Scholarship Selection Committee, in conjunction with 4-H YDP County Staff, are committed to spreading scholarship resources as widely and as fairly to as many candidates as possible.
- ❖ Awarding of a scholarship is intended to help support a 4-H member, knowing that the club or county also benefits when members achieve maximum participation in 4-H activities.
- ❖ Funds are limited, so scholarships are only available for 4-H sponsored events or projects.
- ❖ A member may apply for or be awarded up to two scholarships per year.
- ❖ Scholarships may cover all or part of the expense of participation.
- ❖ Members who fundraise to cover some of the costs of the event or project will be given priority.
- ❖ Members who are involved in club or county leadership will be given priority for leadership events, with the exclusion of Southern Youth Summit which is designed to encourage leadership discovery in youths ages 11-13.
- ❖ Incomplete or late applications will be disqualified.
- ❖ Applications are DUE by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. The Scholarship Committee will review all applications received in a given month and you will receive an acknowledgement of the committee's decision by the end of each month.

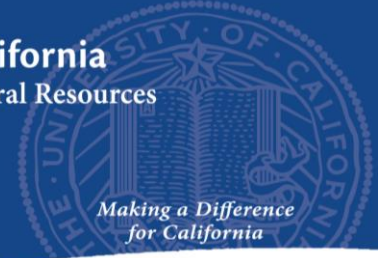
### **Instructions to Applicant:**

1. Complete the application form. Be sure that all sections are complete and all signatures are collected.
2. Submit your application using this [SURVEY](#) by the deadlines each month.
3. If you are awarded a scholarship you will be expected to:
  - a. Make a presentation at a County Council Meeting to share what you learned (including your fundraising efforts, if applicable) and to disseminate information to the other members and clubs
  - b. Prepare materials to share on OC 4-H social media
  - c. Volunteer for at least one 4-H event
  - d. Complete the attached GPS Reflection
  - e. Acknowledge the donors who made your scholarship possible (see Guidelines for Acknowledging Donors attached to this packet)
  - f. Encourage other youth members to apply for scholarships and attend events and assist them in completing applications



# Scholarship Recipient GPS Reflection

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***Reflection is where learning happens and gratitude grows. Complete this form to reflect on the benefits of your experience that were possible as a recipient of this scholarship.***

Date of event or project \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant contact information \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the program or project you participated in and what you did and learned:

Describe how you will use what you learned in your future work in 4-H:

Include photos of your participation:

**\*\*You may submit this documentation electronically.**

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

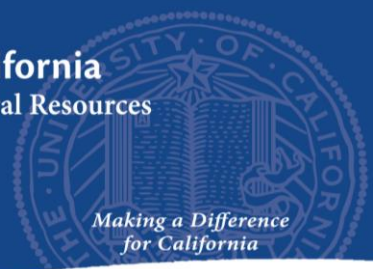
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Guidelines for Acknowledging Donors

***Donors are generous community members who want to support you as you learn and grow in 4-H. They have committed funds for specific purposes to be distributed to youth in need of support. Donors are civic-minded and want to know that their contributions have resulted in something good happening for youth like you. They deserve your gratitude and recognition. A personalized thank you note is the best way to do this.***

### Guidelines for acknowledging donors in writing:

1. Include your name and exactly what the scholarship you received was used for, including any registration fees or specific supplies or other needs.
2. Include a description of what you did or learned by putting your scholarship to use.
3. Include how this opportunity has impacted you and how it will make a difference in your future. Don't forget to include how you will use what you learned to make a difference in 4-H and/or your community.
4. Include a polite salutation at the beginning and a complimentary valediction at the closing of your note.
5. Use a thank you card, blank note card, personalized stationery, or a clean sheet of plain white paper. The note may be hand-written with excellent penmanship or typed.

### Here is an example:

*Dear Mr. Jones,*

*Thank you so much for the scholarship that your endowment fund provided. Because of the scholarship I was able to attend the State Leadership Conference. At this Conference I made so many new 4-H contacts and learned some amazing things about being a leader in my 4-H Club and in my community. I hope to share what I learned with the members of my club and next year to take a leadership position in Teen Council.*

*With Gratitude,  
Jenna Smith*

