



## 4-H from the beginning....

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As we enter the 2018-2019 program year, it is a good time to remember that knowing how we started is often the best way of evaluating where we are and where it is we want to go. From the very beginning, the thing that made 4-H different was that what was brought to the youth was researched based education. Today, that has not changed.

**The 4-H program** began around the start of the 20th century with the work of several people throughout the United States who were concerned about the positive growth of young people.

The seed of the 4-H idea of practical and "hands-on" learning came from the desire to make public school education more connected to country life. Early programs tied both public and private resources together for the purpose of helping rural youth.

During this time, researchers at experiment stations of the land-grant college system and USDA saw that adults in the farming community did not readily accept new agricultural discoveries. However, educators found that youth could "experiment" with these new ideas and then share their experiences and successes with the adults.

As a result, rural youth programs became a way to introduce new agricultural technology to adults. A.B. Graham started one such youth program in Ohio in 1902, considered the birth of the 4-H program in the U.S. When Congress created the Cooperative Extension Service in the USDA in 1914, it included boys' and girls' club work. These soon became known as 4-H clubs - head, heart, hands, and health. [READ MORE ABOUT NATIONAL 4-H HISTORY](#)

**As early as 1912, the University of California** had encouraged the formation of boys' and girls' agricultural clubs in rural areas and collaborated with school districts to organize them. In 1913, the forerunner of 4-H was founded - an Agricultural Club at the College of Agriculture in Davis. By 1914, eighty-four high school agricultural clubs were reported in California. [READ MORE ABOUT CALIFORNIA STATE 4-H HISTORY](#)

## Did you know....

There are many resources as well as information available to our volunteers to help in the planning and development of your projects and clubs. Here are some links that we hope you will find helpful. For more information or assistance, contact Shannon Kane at [slkane@ucanr.edu](mailto:slkane@ucanr.edu).

- [Volunteer Resources](#)– State 4-H website
- [Youth-Adult Partnerships](#)– State 4-H website
- [Project Based Learning](#), what is a "project"? -State 4-H website
- [California 4-H Policies](#)-State 4-H website



# ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENT INFORMATION

Your never too old to start learning,  
And your never too young to aim  
high and achieve great things.

~Asa Hutchinson

## FAIR NEWS

### GOLD COUNTRY FAIR

[Gold Country Fair](#)

Sept 6 -9

#### BE FAIR READY

The 4-H office is open Weekdays from 8:00am-5:00pm.  
We have an assortment of donated whites available, as  
well as :

**4-H Hat: \$21**

**4-H Tie: \$14**

**4-H Scarf: \$16**

**4-H Record Book Cover: \$3**

**Checks or cash only—NO ATM or Credit**



### Quality Assurance Training

For youth ages 9y or over, showing or selling  
animals. <http://yqca.org>

Cost is \$12 and you will need to submit a copy of  
the certificate with your fair entry.

Questions regarding  
Placer County Fair or Gold Country Fair?  
Contact the specific Fair Office directly.

**Gold Country Fair (530) 823-4533**

## Placer County 4-H Council

We would like to congratulate our new 2018-2019 council leaders: Lara Lopez– President, Dawn Heywood– Vice President, Kathryn Guthrie– Secretary, and Leann Dickinson– Treasurer. With the new year, the council leaders have extended an open invitation to all 4-H families. Our Placer County 4-H Council meets the *4th Wednesday* of each month at the Loomis Veterans Hall on Horseshoe Bar Rd. in Loomis, Ca from 7:00PM to 8:00PM.

**Youth members are invited to serve** on the Placer County 4-H Council. If you would like to represent your club as a youth member, please email: [slkane@ucanr.edu](mailto:slkane@ucanr.edu) for an application.

**What happens at the Placer County 4-H Council meetings?** Just like at your community club or countywide project meetings, the business of the 4-H program in Placer County happens at the council meetings. This is the place where countywide events are discussed, financial decisions are reviewed and made (such as scholarships for county, state or national events and conferences), as well as new program opportunities for youth can be presented. Youth working on their Emerald Star project also present at the council meetings.

**Did you know**, voting members include all 4-H active adult members and 4-H active senior members (youth ages 14 years to 19 years of age). 4-H adult and youth members are encouraged to come to the council meetings and take an active role in the Placer County 4-H council.

Our goal this year is to increase adult and youth member participation at the monthly council meetings. Placer County 4-H is YOUR program and we want to hear YOUR voice! We look forward to seeing you soon.

Council meetings are run using [ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER](#)





# Important Dates



## September

- 09/03/2018 Labor Day Observed– County Office Closed
- 09/06 to 09/09/2018 [Gold Country Fair](#)
- 09/24/2018 [New Volunteer in-person Training](#)
- 09/26/2018 Council Meeting
- 09/27-09/30/2018 [National 4-H Volunteer Conference](#)
- 09/29/2018 County Ambassador 4-H Fun Fair

## October

- 10/01/2018 [Ca 4-H Shooting Sports Team Application](#)  
**Deadline: apply by 5:00pm**
- 10/01 to 10/07/2018 75th National 4-H Week
- 10/12/2018 [Achievement Night](#)
- 10/18/2018 [Returning Volunteer in-person Training](#)
- 10/22/2018 [Youth In Action Awards deadline](#)
- 10/27/2018 [“You Make It” Craft Expo](#)



Sharing your 4-H story could earn you a \$5,000 scholarship and a trip to Washington D.C. for National 4-H Council’s Legacy Awards, where you’ll have the chance to tell your story while meeting 4-H celebrities and other notable alums!

The program recognizes four confident young leaders in our core pillar areas of Agriculture, Citizenship, Healthy Living and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics), giving pillar winners the chance to share how 4-H changed their lives and how they have used the skills they gained in 4-H to change the lives of others.

One Pillar Winner will be selected as the 4-H Youth in Action National Award Winner and will receive an additional scholarship for higher education!

[Applications](#) are open from August 1 to October 22, 2018.

Visit the [4-H Youth in Action website](#) to learn more.

### 2018-2019 4-H REGISTRATION

- **Youth and Adults can register in Placer County starting July 09, 2018 at:**  
[4hOnline](#)
- **Pay your registration fee for 2018-19:**  
**\$66 youth/ \$20 adult to your club treasurer.**
- **Returning Adult Volunteers complete your 2018/19 training.**

4-H Shooting Sports National Championships  
June 23-June 28, 2019  
Grand Island, Nebraska



[Online applications](#) are now being accepted for the 2019 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships in Grand Island, Nebraska, scheduled for October 1, 2018.

Included with the applications is a list of expectations for potential California 4-H members wishing to participate in the event.

**After October 1st:** A panel composed of members from the State 4-H Shooting Sports Advisory Committee reviews the applications and makes the selections of those who will attend the event.

**Late October:** Selected applicants will be notified \**Applications are due months in advance of the event to allow individuals or teams the opportunity to fund raise and help defray travel costs.*

Visit the [4-H Shooting Sports National Championships](#) for more Information.

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