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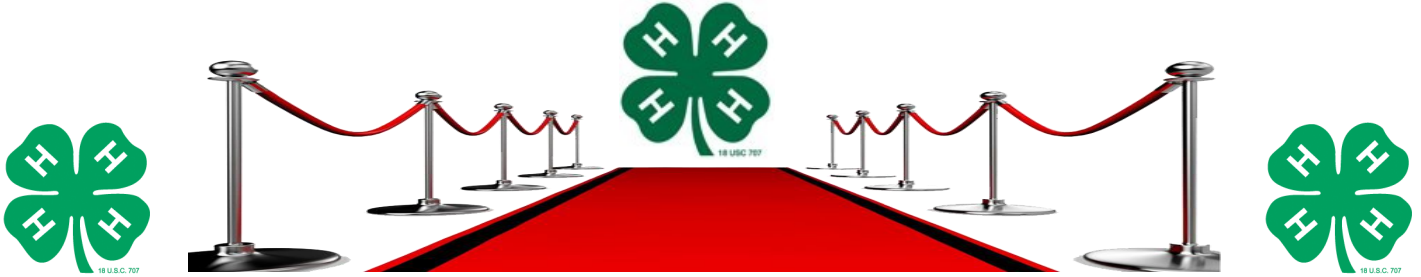
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR 4-H MEMBERS, LEADERS & PARENTS IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

2023 – 2024 4-H PROGRAM YEAR

OCTOBER 2023



" Fun for all SLO County 4 H Clubs"

Come join us and participate in the **"RED CARPET 4-H CLUB SHOWCASE"** - at Achievement Night.
All 4-H Clubs are asked to Showcase their club using the theme- **"4 H GOES TO HOLLYWOOD"**

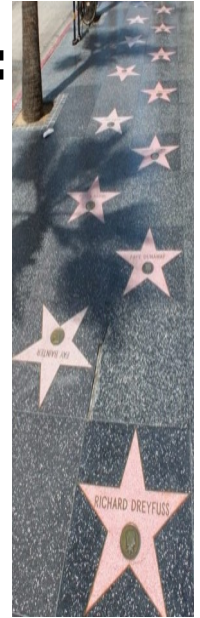
Please contact the 4 H office 1-805-781-5843 or dharris@co.slo.ca.us **to sign up for a table to decorate.** We need to know how many tables to set up for the 4-H Club Showcase Displays.

Each member attending Achievement Night will receive a ticket to use as a Vote for their favorite Showcase Display. Awards will be announced during the Event. The more club members attending, the more votes for their club's table.

4-H Achievement Night will be held on:

Saturday, October 21st at 6:00 p.m.

**Location: SLO County Veteran's Hall
801 Grand Ave, San Luis Obispo, CA
93401**



NOTE: CA State 4-H does not have a 4-H uniform policy, but if you would like to wear your 4-H uniform, or just wear your hat, that is okay.





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National 4-H Week Theme for 2023-2024



Please submit articles and photos by the 15th of each month to:
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By: UC ANR AA Compliance Officer

Hello everyone!

With the continued server issues affecting the university websites SLO Co 4-H's website has a backup webpage using Google Sites for your convenience:

<https://sites.google.com/ucdavis.edu/sloco4-h?usp=sharing>

On the backup webpage, you will find all of the Current Forms and general information just as you would on our home website that is hosted at the university in Davis.

If I missed anything or you are looking for something specific, please email me at kdugan@ucanr.edu or text/call me at 530-786-0568

Happy New Program Year!
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OCTOBER EVENTS CELEBRATING 4-H!

“4-H SHOWCASE” for National 4-H Week

at SLO Farmers Market 10/5/23 & 4-H Achievement Night 10/21/23

1st Event for National 4-H Week:

4-H SHOWCASE at SLO Farmers Market on Thursday, October 5th 2023.

To celebrate National 4-H Week October 1st – 7th
The THEME is “How our Youth Lead the Way”

All 4-H Clubs in SLO County are invited to participate in the Farmers Market event in San Luis Obispo on Thursday, October 5th! Each 4-H Club can set up a Pop-Up Booth or a Table Display to “showcase” information about your 4-H Club, the projects you offer, Leadership, and Community Service your club participates in. Best Spirit of 4-H, most informative, most “How our Youth Lead the Way” theme, and most club members attending. **You must provide lighting that is acceptable to the Farmers Market requirements – details below.** This Farmers Market night is before Daylight-savings-time so we will have some light. Additional activities will include Presentations. 4-H Members in the Dog Care project are welcome to perform an Obedience class presentation and the Poultry and Rabbit project members are welcome to demonstrate how the animals are shown and judged. Two tables will be provided for these demonstrations. Pygmy goat project members are welcome to demonstrate a showmanship class. All small animals participating have been approved by Farmers Market to attend this event. **The requirement is that all waste products must be properly removed by the member.**

Listed below are the Instructions and Information regarding approved items for Lighting:
Please Note: Item # 2 below needs to be approved first before it is brought to Farmers Market on CHORRO Street— send your request to Denise Harris at the 4-H Office and she will forward it to the correct person. Email is: dharris@co.slo.ca.us

Generator Rules:

1. We discourage the use of gas-powered generators and encourage battery operated lighting or something like these:

- [CAT 1200](#)
- [Duracell Power Block](#)

2. If you need to use a gas-powered generator, they must be whisper-silent (below 55dB at full capacity), and the Make and Model must be submitted to SLO Downtown Farmers Market for review and approval send an email to Denise Harris at the 4-H Office.

3. If you just need lights, most vendors use battery-operated LED desk lamps/clamp-style lights to illuminate the tents. Some examples:

Amazon search - [Battery Operated LED Light with Clamp](#)

4. Light Tower:

Vendors have rented tower lights to activate their side street rental:

[United Rental Tower Light](#)

We look forward to our 4-H Clubs participating in this
National 4-H Week 4-H SHOWCASE
at the San Luis Obispo Farmers Market on Thursday, October 5th 2023
Set-Up Time is: 5pm-6pm, with all vehicles removed by 6pm

Note: Bring your own card table or a table.

- SEE PAGE 4 for the 4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT 4-H SHOWCASE TABLE DISPLAYS -

OCTOBER EVENTS CELEBRATING 4-H!

2nd Event for National 4-H Week:

We are calling on all 4-H Clubs to participate in our activity called:
"4-H SHOWCASE" at 4-H Achievement Night with a Table Display

- This year's Theme is "4-H Goes to Hollywood" -OR- your Display that you created for the Farmers Market can also be used."

Your table display will be judged by the 4-H attendees and awards will be given at the end of the ceremony.

Each 4-H club will be able to decorate a table with Still Exhibits/Items. Decorate the space to reflect your club's spirit, projects, and community involvement keeping the Theme of 4-H in mind. Please have 1-2 members present at each table to answer questions. The displays will be judged by the 4-H members attending, and the "BEST OF SHOW" will be presented at the end of the Achievement Night program.

Set up for tables will be 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. with Judging from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. All 4-H Club Displays must be cleaned up and removal of all display items before leaving the Veterans Hall Building.



In addition to the 4-H Achievement Night Ceremony and 4-H Showcase Table Displays, **we are asking all 4-H members to participate in our SLO County Animal Services **COMMUNITY SERVICE** project—Please bring the brand of **HILL'S** dog/puppy or cat/kitten canned food.—Thank you!**





4-H is a feeling.

4-H provides youth a place to feel valued,
heard and connected. Be part of something bigger.

Join today at **4-H.org!**

ENROLL IN ZSUITE ENROLLMENT DATABASE

Enrollment Fees are paid to your 4-H Club.

Youth: \$95 annual fee

Adult: \$28 annual fee



ZSuite Enrollment Tip-Sheet

Enrollment is completed online at <https://4h.zsuite.org/>

Enrollment Process:

Enrolled in 4-H the past 5 years	New to 4-H or enrolled before 2018-2019
1. Go to https://4h.zsuite.org	1. Go to https://4h.zsuite.org
2. Click <i>Forgot Password?</i> and complete process to reset account and select PIN	2. Click <i>Sign Up</i>
3. Login to <i>Primary</i> profile	3. Create a Household
4. Click ' <i>Enroll Member/Volunteer Now</i> ' for the applicable member	4. Click '+ Household' member' to add individuals to the household
5. Complete 4-H enrollment including units/projects and waivers	5. Complete 4-H enrollment including units/ projects and waivers
6. Click <i>Submit</i>	6. Click <i>Submit</i>
7. Pay enrollment fees to your local county 4-H office or unit leader	7. Pay enrollment fees to your local county 4-H office or unit leader
For Adult Volunteers:	
8. Complete additional volunteer requirements	8. Complete additional volunteer requirements

Contact your [local county 4-H office](#) for questions and support

NEW 4-H COUNTYWIDE HORSE PROJECT

4-H Countywide Horse Project Registration Information

All 4-H youth aged 9-19 are welcome to join a 4-H Horse Project in SLO County. If members have a horse, but their club does not have a horse project, they can cross over and join one of our three project groups:

Edna 4-H, Creston 4-H, or SLO Co Riders 4-H

The Edna horse project meets in San Luis Obispo, the Creston horse project meets in Shandon, and the SLO Co Riders project meets east of Paso Robles. SLO Co Riders project members also organize and lead our countywide horse project events.

2023 Countywide Horse Schedule

(proposed - dates may change!)

Nov 12 Western Riding & Trail Clinic

Dec 17 English Riding & Showmanship Clinic

Jan 21 Western Field Day

Feb 25 English Field Day

April 13 Back in the Saddle Open Horse Show

May 5 Gymkhana Field Day

For more information
contact Michelle Mitchell at
slohorseproject@gmail.com



4-H CLUB NEWS

September 6th, **Edna 4-H Club** held it's Project Showcase at the beautiful NZ Ranch. It was a great afternoon with perfect weather. At 5 pm project leaders held their Project Showcase.

New and returning members were able to view all the projects. The projects available were beef, woodworking, leadership, horse, sheep, barbecue, Pygmy goats, dog, poultry, rabbit, public speaking, gardening, mountain biking, arts and crafts, food and nutrition, swine, dairy, and beekeeping.

At 6pm there was a hot dog dinner and members talked and played until the meeting started at 7pm.

At our general meeting we collected items for Maui Relief as our Community Service. Near the end of the meeting each member that showed an animal at the Fair had a chance on the microphone to tell how they did.

It was a fun night and a great way to start the 2023-2024 4-H Program Year!





2023 WORKSHOP SERIES FOR 4-H PROJECT LEADERS

SERIES IS 4, 2-HOUR SESSIONS, OFFERED:

or Wednesdays in October (4, 11, 18, 25) | 6:30–8:30pm

Learn about your role, responsibilities, lesson planning, making learning engaging, working with youth, and effective hands-on learning. Virtual sessions cover content from *The UC 4-H Volunteer Educators' Guide: For Volunteers Facilitating 4-H Educational Experiences*.

IN-PERSON SESSION (OPTIONAL)

November 11 & 12: Project Leader Clinic at UC Davis

Attend the Project Leader Clinic at UC Davis on November 11 & 12 for project-specific learning (like animals, foods, crafts, STEM, and others)!

Register at <https://bit.ly/4hpl>
Complete the series to earn a
certificate and 4-H name badge.



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San Luis Obispo County 4-H Calendar

For the entire Calendar document click on this link:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1JqhddyKTaN-IT4ste-e_pgDPX-EM4xbCXtlb-twSUxM/edit

LEGEND: Purple Font with an underline means SLO Co. Events
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If shown in black and white: Underlined = SLO, No underline or bold = State, Bold text = National

October 2023

Month of October **National Youth Science Month**

October 1-7 **National 4-H Week**

Farmers Market Take-Overs, Club Showcases, Board of Supervisors Presentation and more!

October 1 State Record Book Competition Intent to Submit Forms deadline

October 4-15 **Tractor Supply Paper Clover - Fall**

October 8-13 SLO Co 4-H CES at NAE4-HYDP Conference

October 10-12 **NAE4-HYDP Conference**

October 15 State Record Book Competition Cover Page and book submission deadline

October 15 State Record Book Competition Evaluator's application deadline

October 18 SLO Co 4-H Awards/Achievement Training

October 21 SLO Co 4-H Achievement Night (SLO Veterans Hall)

October 23 SLO Co 4-H Treasurer's Training (UCCE Office)

October 28 SLO Co 4-H Youth Leader Training (UCCE Office / Hosted by County Ambassadors)

October 31 CCL Documents Due

November 2023

Nov. 1-Dec. 15 Joy for Jacks Toy Drive

November 1 Reporting system information available to County 4-H Staff as View-only. All 4-H unit reports must be complete.

November 4 State Record Book Competition Evaluator Orientation

November 10 Veterans Day (Observed) - OFFICE CLOSED

November 10 State Record Book Competition County Check Sheet deadline for each book submitted from county membership

November 11-12 Leader's Retreat/Project Clinic

November 15 SLO Co. 4-H Management Board Meeting (ZOOM)

November 18 Jr. MFP Workshop

November 23-24 Thanksgiving Holiday - OFFICE CLOSED

November 28 #GivingTuesday

November 28 New Volunteer Orientation (UCCE Office)

November 30 Returning Volunteer Orientation (UCCE Office)

County Program Technician (PT)

County Program Technician (PT) located for the San Luis County FSA office in Templeton.

The Mission of the FSA County Office

County Offices are the direct link between the Farm Service Agency and local farmers and ranchers. County Offices are responsible for administering Agency programs at the local level, for providing guidance and assistance to program participants and others, and for leading outreach efforts to explain and promote Agency programs through public events and media presentations.

Responsibilities:

- Carrying out office activities and functions pertaining to one or more of the program areas administered in the county.
- Interpreting and explaining procedures, program regulations and forms to producers and other agency personnel.
- Utilizing various web-based software applications to maintain producer data and processing automated forms.
- Using a high degree of initiative and judgment in planning and carrying out assigned tasks and resolving problems encountered.

How to Qualify:

Applicants for CO-04 positions must meet one of the sets of qualifications listed below:

- Two years of education above high school at an accredited college or university, or
- At least one year of general experience of progressively responsible clerical office work, or equal background in the operations of a farm or ranch that indicates the ability to acquire the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to perform the duties of this position, or
- A combination of education and experience described above.

Applicants for CO-05 positions must meet one of the sets of qualifications listed below:

- Four years of education above high school at an accredited college or university, or
- At least one year of *specialized experience equivalent to the grade 5 level or above, or
- A combination of education and experience described above.

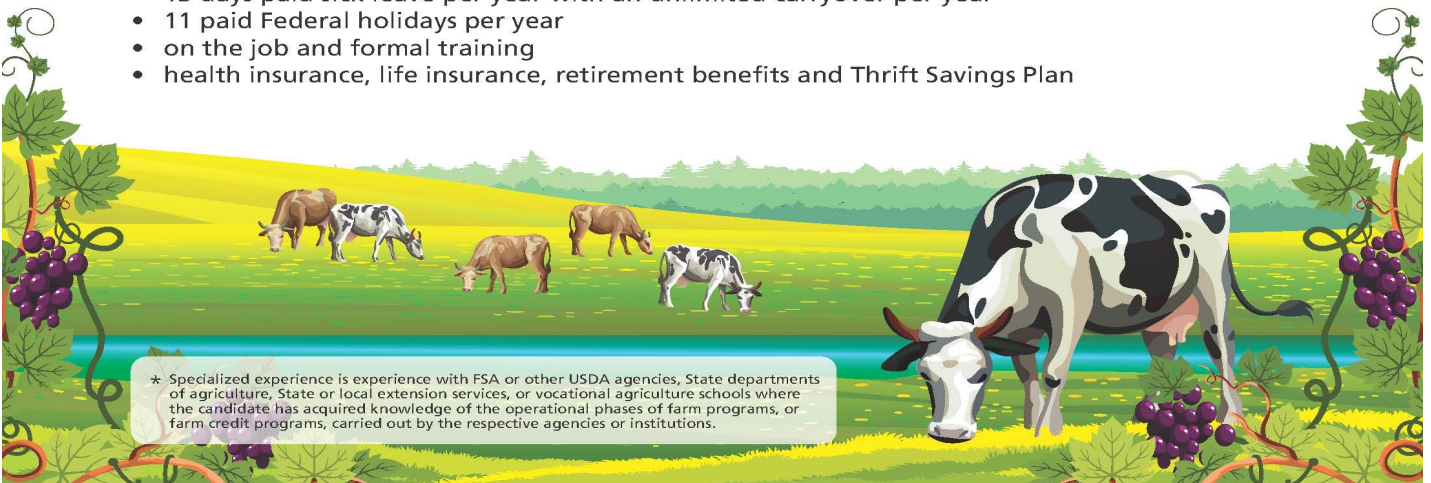
Advancement Opportunities:

- CO grade levels are fully equivalent to GS grade levels.
- The grade progression for PTs is CO-4/5/6/7. Most employees are eligible for advancement to the next higher grade after one year.

Benefits:

- 13 days paid vacation per year for the first 3 years with a limit of 240 hours carryover per year. Vacation days increase after 3 years and 15 years of service.
- 13 days paid sick leave per year with an unlimited carryover per year
- 11 paid Federal holidays per year
- on the job and formal training
- health insurance, life insurance, retirement benefits and Thrift Savings Plan

* Specialized experience is experience with FSA or other USDA agencies, State departments of agriculture, State or local extension services, or vocational agriculture schools where the candidate has acquired knowledge of the operational phases of farm programs, or farm credit programs, carried out by the respective agencies or institutions.





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4hOnline Enrollment Info on Page 1 — Contact the County 4-H Office

SLO County 4-H Youth Development Notes

COUNTY 4-H WEBSITE URL: <http://ucanr.edu/slo4h/>

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Veteran's Hall, 801 Grand Ave, SLO 6:00 p.m.**

**THEME:
4-H GOES TO HOLLYWOOD!**

We look forward to seeing you there!