



This agreement is between \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas and Texas 4-H, Inc.  
*Chartered Organization* *Chartering County*

Chartered Organization EIN: \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

The purpose of the 4-H program is to provide meaningful opportunities for youth and adults to work together to create sustainable community change in a learn-by-doing program. This is accomplished within three primary areas including citizenship, healthy living, and science. The purpose of 4-H is to help youth become productive members of society. The educational programs help youth develop inquiring minds, learn practical skills, strengthen decision making abilities, develop youth-adult partnerships, improve communications and interpersonal relationships, and ultimately share their skills and experience in leadership roles. Through hands-on, learn-by-doing activities, youth establish real-life goals and develop important life skills.

The Chartered Organization, as a duly constituted organization under Texas 4-H, Inc. that serves youth and is guided by adult volunteer leaders wish to use the program of 4-H and the 4H name and emblem to further the development of the youth it supports. The club/group provides the support and service it needs to further the mission and purpose of 4-H. 4-H programs, through clubs/groups, are available in every county in Texas. The county 4-H office of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service provides the administration of all 4-H clubs/groups in the county for which they are assigned and responsible.

**The Chartered Organization agrees to:**

- Use the 4-H program to further the purpose of 4-H.
- Use the 4-H program to develop youth leadership, life skills, and service to community.
- Conduct programs in accordance with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Texas 4-H Youth Development Program rules and guidelines.
- Provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, and education to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity.
- Use the 4-H name and emblem in accordance with 4-H policies, and 18 USC 707.
- Be administered locally by the county 4-H office of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.
- Follow all rules and requirements of adult volunteer service to youth in accordance with Youth Protection Standards outlined by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.
- Follow and abide by Texas 4-H Financial Management Guidelines.
- Follow and abide by all Texas 4-H Inc. chartering rules and requirements as outlined in the 2019-2020 Texas 4-H Chartering Instructions published by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, as it relates to:
  - Charter Application
  - Charter Agreement
  - Bylaws or Standing Rules
  - Employer Identification Number
  - Banking and Financial Institutions
  - Financial Accountability & Reporting
  - Other Club/Group Charter Requirements
- Secure adequate and appropriate meeting facilities for the club/group to facilitate the implementation of the 4 H program of this Chartered Organization.
- Surrender all financial assets held in financial institutions and property/inventory assets upon dissolution of the Chartered Organization to the county Extension agent or representative.

**Club/Group Agreement:** This Club/Group Charter may be revoked at any time by an official representative of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service directly responsible for administering the 4-H program covered by this Charter. This authorizes the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service employee (below) or their representative full access to retrieve banking records, funds and authority of any financial institution accounts (checking, savings, investments) held by this Chartered Organization. Furthermore, by submitting this charter agreement, we understand and agree that the Chartered Organization will follow the Standard Texas 4-H Club Bylaws.

We further agree that our Club/Group bylaws can in no way contradict or change the Texas 4-H Club Bylaws, nor can they violate the Texas 4-H Rules and Guidelines.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Chartered Organization Adult Volunteer Leader*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature Authority of Financial Accounts Held by Chartered Organization*

**Approved by:**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Representative*

**ALL SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED BEFORE SUBMITTING ONLINE**