

2017-2018 Annual Report

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WELCOME

Together, the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program and Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation are proud to release the 2017-2018 annual report. As you review the highlights from the past year, we hope you will also see how the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program continues to make a positive impact in the lives of 500,000 youth. With multiple programs highlighted throughout, this report is just the tip of the iceberg on the impact the Texas 4-H program makes to 4-H members and their families. Even still, greater success is revealed as youth graduate out of the program and develop into responsible, contributing members of their communities with sound leadership skills and servant hearts.

The impact of the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program would not be possible without the dedication of time and talents by more than 20,000 adult volunteers. 4-H volunteers serve in multiple capacities, many of which mentor and guide 4-H members and their families in their 4-H projects, enriching the experience.

The goals accomplished and impact made in communities across the great state of Texas would not be possible without the generous support of numerous donors. We appreciate those who provide financial support so both the 4-H Program and 4-H Foundation can collaboratively achieve the program's motto – to make the best better. The support of numerous donors gives 4-H the opportunity to facilitate long-standing, impactful programs, explore new opportunities to grow the program, and assist 4-H members in pursuing a higher education degree through more than \$2.4 million in scholarships.

As we celebrate our accomplishments, we continue to plan for our future. Part of that is exploring methods to expand 4-H Youth Development Program and reach more youth, engaging them in a program that reaps numerous rewards. Thank you for past support of the program, and we hope you will consider supporting our programming efforts in the future.



Sarah L. Hamm

Sarah Hamm
Executive Director

**Texas 4-H Youth
Development
Foundation**



Courtney Dodd

Dr. Courtney Dodd
Program Leader &
Assistant Agency Director

**Texas 4-H Youth
Development Program**

TEXAS 4-H Membership

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496,850

**4-H Youth
participants**

**More than
27,000
volunteers**

*youth and adults combined

49% Male

51% Female

4-H Youth Participant Residence

Farm: **6.8%**

Rural towns: **21.9%**

Towns and cities 10-50,000: **20.2%**

Suburbs and cities over 50,000: **51.1%**

Project area involvements

49,396

Agriculture & Livestock

84,166

Natural Resources

164,172

Leadership & Citizenship

187,705

Family & Consumer Health

11,252

STEM

Hispanic/Latino

54.4%

Not Hispanic/Latino

45.6%

Numbers reflect enrollment and involvement from September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018.

One Day 4-H

Lend a hand to your community on One Day 4-H! This nation-wide event allows 4-H members, parents, and volunteers to help their communities through their choice of service projects. This event's flexibility allows our Texas 4-Hers' projects to be as straightforward or intricate as they like.

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| 47,953 | individuals reached or served |
| 15,000 | dollars raised to support other groups |
| 7,000 | lbs of food collected |
| 4,000+ | lbs of trash collected |
| 3,032 | youth & adults involved in projects |
| 2,785 | hours dedicated to projects |
| 1,276 | care packets distributed |
| 78 | county projects reported |
| 1 | day |



4-H youth participates in One Day 4-H.

The next One Day 4-H will be held on:

October 12, 2019

Go to texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/oneday/ for more information

Ag & Livestock

Texas leads the nation in livestock project participation and support with 135,000 livestock projects exhibited throughout Texas annually! 50,000+ exhibitors are engaged in this project area cultivating life skill development. \$77,000,000 is awarded annually to youth exhibiting livestock through local/county premium sales, and Texas 4-H and FFA members also earn an additional \$20,000,000 through participation at Texas major livestock shows. Project areas include beef cattle, swine, livestock judging, rabbits, veterinary science, and more. Proper nutrition for animals, responsibility, proper animal care, and decision making, and even qualities like public speaking, leadership, and community service are some of the skills learned through this project area.

The Texas 4-H Livestock and Equine Ambassadors are motivated and talented youth leaders with a passion for animal agriculture. A considerable amount of time is spent training them to effectively share the animal agriculture story with elected officials and the general public. These servant minded youth leaders are truly making an impact locally, regionally and nationally. Without question, they are the future leaders of agriculture that will be instrumental in meeting the challenges in world food and fiber production.

125 active Equine and Livestock Ambassadors



“Becoming a Texas Equine Ambassador has changed my life in many ways. It is amazing to be a part of a program where I am able to make friends who share the same interests and strive to spread the love we share for the agriculture industry. I have learned that the importance of service work is not to clock hours, but to help people and share feelings of joy in the communities where I serve. I love being able to spread that joy, and I plan to continue doing it for years to come.”

- Olivia Hubert, Equine Ambassador

“My 4-H mountain-climbing experience has come to an end, but I know what it feels like to reach the “mountaintop”, and I will not settle for anything less for my future. I owe my identity to my involvement in 4-H and this Ambassador program. It has given me more learning experiences and leadership opportunities in the last ten years than most will experience in a lifetime.

I am thankful for the encouragement that came from adult leadership. Because of that encouragement I will continue to “Climb every mountain, ford every stream, follow every rainbow, “til I find my dream.”

-Emily Brite, Livestock Ambassador 2017-2018



PROJECT AREAS

Family & Community Health

The Texas 4-H Family and Community Health project is

making a difference in the health of Texans! This project empowers youth to live better through the learning opportunities related to Foods & Nutrition, Health & Personal Safety, Consumer Education, and Fashion & Interior Design. In the 4-H Fashion and Interior Design project, youth learn to design, construct and be a smart consumer when purchasing clothing and household items, and have fun creating environmentally friendly projects while exploring careers in the fashion and interior design industries. Project opportunities include Consumer Decision Making, Food Challenge, Food and Nutrition Quiz Bowl, Safety educational presentations, and more.

The Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador program is designed to provide high school aged 4-H members the opportunity to develop and practice advanced leadership skills, to mentor other youth and to become a knowledgeable representative of the Fashion & Interior Design project. Teens who are passionate about healthy living can make a difference through the Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador program. Through this program, these teens are conducting educational programs, workshops, and activities throughout the state in an effort to build a healthier Texas!

190 Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors and 22 active Fashion and Interior Design Ambassadors

“Texas is known for the many types of culture that come together to make Texas what it is. The fields of both fashion and interior design are ways in which we creatively express our culture. Because Texas is so large and has such a varied landscape we also have the capacity to produce a lot of the raw products that go into make many of our culturally inspired pieces. Texas is well known for its cotton production but also animal products such as mohair wool and tanned leathers are used in the fashion industry. These same products combined with the large variety of trees: pine, oak, and mesquite to name a few are used to help in interior design.”

- Kaitlyn Carruth, FID Ambassador



Abigail Williams teaches other youth.



“Also, being an ambassador has provided me some unique opportunities like serving as a Celebrity Chef at the State Fair of Texas. Being on stage, demonstrating recipes and taking questions from the crowds at the State Fair was an unforgettable experience. I highly recommend the Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador program to my fellow 4-Hers!”

- Abigail Williams, HTYA Ambassador

Natural Resources The Texas 4-H Natural Resources Program offers diverse projects and activities involving exploration of and experience in the vast natural resources within the state. Project areas include Wildlife & Fisheries, Entomology, Range Science, Forestry, Aquatic Science, Outdoor Education, Water Conservation Education, Sportfishing, and Shooting Sports. Training opportunities, events and activities, camp experiences, and a wide array of curriculum enrichment within all project areas are available for adults and youth. The 4-H Ambassador programs have been developed to offer a unique leadership opportunity to Senior age 4-H members who are interested in promoting 4-H and giving back to their specific project area beyond typical work within a club or county.

The 4-H Water Ambassadors and Shooting Sports Ambassadors support local to state project specific efforts but reach outside of their local areas and outside of 4-H audiences to promote positive understanding of 4-H and the project areas represented. Each project specific group is trained in professionalism and advocacy skills to better further their service to 4-H. These Ambassadors represent each of the six Extension regions across the state.

55 active Shooting Sports Ambassadors and 42 active Water Ambassadors

“The 4-H Natural Resources project is an extremely important part of Texas 4-H for many reasons. Through my experience in this project, I have seen it teach its participants to appreciate and respect their environment. Through programs such as the Water Ambassador Program, this project can also help its participants to develop professional skills, leadership and teamwork skills, and a deep love of learning. Most importantly, this project opens doors for career opportunities by sharing information about industries included it, as well as providing participants with connections to professionals in the field.”

-John Philip Jones, Water Ambassador



“I gained more knowledge about the water industry than I thought was possible. When I was selected to serve in the Water Ambassador Program, I had little familiarity with the water industry. Now I am proud to say that I am able to carry on a sophisticated conversation with almost any professional in this field; and I am capable of developing my own opinions on various topics in the “water world.””

**Learn more about project opportunities at
<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/>.**

PROJECT AREAS

STEM From the food we eat to the clothes we wear, science is the foundation of our lives. Since its creation over one hundred years ago, 4-H has fostered science education through agricultural and family consumer science projects. Even though science itself is not new to 4-H, there is a renewed focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) education. In this project, youth learn with robotics, computers, alternative energy, engineering, and agri-science! This project can be tailored as self-directed study or in a classroom with science rotations. This project lets youth dream, explore, and experiment in various areas for possibilities in careers and education. Participants may build a computer, design and program a robot, or conduct engineering projects—like building a bridge!

One group that is laser-focused on STEM education is the Texas 4-H Technology Team. The role of its members is to enhance their own computer, photography, videography, and robotics knowledge and skills and then apply it to teach and inform others. Team members do that at the local level, but also at big events like Texas 4-H Roundup and Congress. One primary objective of the Tech Team is to improve communication throughout the 4-H program through websites, email lists, newsletters, videos, social networks, and other electronic media.

17 active Technology Team Members

“I was taught and mentored in videography and now I train new members on video editing. My first year on the team I was selected to go and represent Texas 4-H at the California State Leadership conference. There I used my videography skills to help the California Technology Team produce videos to show at their nightly assemblies. It was the best experience 4-H has given me and I fell in love with videography and the Technology Team because of it.”



2017-2018 Tech Team.

“I am involved in the STEM project area because when I sit down to edit a video for the team I spend maybe three hours working on the project and it feels like five minutes. I have never found a hobby that I have enjoyed so much as video editing. Another reason I am involved is because after being accepted onto the team and attending my first Face to Face meeting in Fall of 2015 I was inspired to start a STEM project in my local club. This project would not exist if I wasn't on the Technology Team and had been told about the STEM opportunities 4-H has to offer. My club had no STEM related project nor any knowledge of them. By starting this project I am able to help other people find and cultivate their passion for technology through 4-H.”

-Olivia Twinning, Technology Team member

Leadership & Citizenship

Leadership and Citizenship are projects that cross over into every other project area in the 4-H program but can also be stand alone learning experiences. Following the learn-by-doing model there are many opportunities for members to develop leadership and citizenship skills beginning at the club level and progressing through the system to the state level leadership teams. The connection between leadership and citizenship projects happens when positive citizenship characteristics develop as members gain an understanding of how decisions impact others. Citizenship also encompasses an understanding of our government, cultures, and responsibilities of living within a community. Project opportunities include public speaking, performance arts, and more resulting in a wide range of life skills to be gained.

Eight statewide leadership/ambassador teams provide hands-on learning experiences for 4-H members to develop and enhance skills while collaborating with Extension faculty and adult mentors. One team is the State 4-H Council. The Texas 4-H Council is a team of 4-H members elected by their peers from across the state of Texas representing the twelve AgriLife Extension districts. Serving as ambassadors for the Texas 4-H program, members represent the organization statewide while collaborating with Extension faculty to plan, coordinate, and facilitate activities and events.

32 Texas 4-H Council Members on 2017-2018 team

"I have been involved in both the Leadership and Citizenship projects because I view them as avenues to cultivate my overall leadership skills, including responsibility, teamwork, communication skills, parliamentary procedure skills, awareness, confidence, and respect for others. I realized I would be fortunate enough to reap the benefits of my involvement in each of these projects. For me these include my ability to correctly and efficiently manage a team and preside over business meetings, to easily speak one on one in a professional environment, and to comfortably speak in front of large assemblies of any age group." -

JP Jones, 2017-2018 Texas 4-H Council



"I think the leadership and citizen projects are one of the most important projects in 4-H because it defines 4-H. It doesn't matter if you're the one holding the microphone on the stage or if you're the one working behind the scenes, everyone has a place and is vital. Leadership is what the world is lacking, but it's not lacking in 4-H and that's what makes our organization so great."

-Kyler Hardegree, 2017-2018 Texas 4-H Council

TEXAS 4-H COUNCIL



Kyle Herron
President
District 10



Makenna Hawkins
1st Vice-President
District 10



Sarah Richter
2nd Vice-President
District 9

2017-2018 Texas 4-H Council



John Philip Jones
Secretary
District 9



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District 7



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District 11



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District 1



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District 1



Alejandro Mata
District 1



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District 2



Rachel Graham
District 2



Quynten Linson
District 2



Corrie Earthman
District 3



Jakelyn Quisenberry
District 3



Isaac Stecher
District 4



Katelyn McCormick
District 4



Bayleigh Becker
District 4



Megan Dunn
District 5



Justin Jones
District 5



Allison Halfmann
District 6



Derek Halfmann
District 6



Brielle Gonzales
District 6



Tate Jones
District 7



Lindsey Jones
District 8



Wesley Ide
District 8



Neeraj Bhakta
District 8



Gabby Pena
District 9



Cade Osbourn
District 10



Reed McGuill
District 11



Logan Thomas
District 12



Ty Denny
District 12



Lauren Thomas
District 12

"My time serving on Texas 4-H Council was amazing; the impact it has had on my life is immeasurable. We set aside our differences and stood together as leaders, sharing the same goal- a year of servitude. Throughout our year of service we were able to touch the lives of thousands, they in turn, touched my heart. I learned it's not about being the best, but doing your best."

- Katelyn McCormick



Council ceremonially retired their jackets Thursday night at the 2018 Roundup.

Texas 4-H Roundup

For the 4,000 youth, volunteers and leaders that attend, Texas 4-H Roundup is more than a competition, but a celebration of goals accomplished. Roundup is a three-day qualifying and invitational event for 4-H youth who placed in a district level roundup or signed up to compete in one of the invitational events offered. Workshop opportunities are also offered for both youth and adults. Texas 4-H Roundup is held annually in June and is the largest gathering of 4-H members and supporters in the country. The Texas 4-H Roundup is an educational event that allows youth to compete in approximately 50 diverse competitions that tie to their 4-H projects.



These contests test 4-H members on life skills such as decision making, public speaking, organization, and working with others. Some of these contests include Fashion Show, Food Challenge, Beef Quiz Bowl, Public Speaking, various performing arts events, an assortment of judging contests, and educational presentations. 2018 marked the 72nd year Texas 4-H has

hosted Texas 4-H Roundup. This year's theme was "Recharge". This year's roundup also allowed Texas 4-H to celebrate 59 years of awarding 214 youth \$2.4 million dollars in higher education scholarships. This year's Texas 4-H Roundup brought in over 4,000 people to College Station.



SELF-ESTEEM/CONFIDENCE. TEAMWORK.

SPORTSMANSHIP.

- 2,287** Pre-registered Youth Participants
- 919** Adults, Volunteers, Extension Agents Pre-registered
- 695** Onsite Registrations
- 52** Youth Leadership Team Participants
- 100** Scholarship Donors/Special Guests
- 135** Staff, Workshop Presenters, and Vendors



COMMUNICATION.

RESPONSIBILITY. PUBLIC SPEAKING.

Join us next year for the Texas 4-H Roundup June 10-13, 2019 in College Station!

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<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/>

TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP

2018 Texas 4-H Roundup

First Place Winners

Agriculture Product Identification (Int) – Individual
Emma Canales

Agriculture Product Identification (Int) – Team
Emma Decker, Maranda Haschke, Landon Moore

Agriculture Product Identification (Sr) – Individual
Maris Cottrell

Agriculture Product Identification (Sr) – Team
Katelyn McCormick, Kaylee Sicking, Eleanor Smith, Jacqueline Smith

Archery – Barebow (Int)
Jaxon Grove

Archery – Barebow (Sr)
Grace Vasicek

Archery – Compound Aided (Int)
Bayli Honeycutt

Archery – Compound Aided (Sr)
Zachary Rebstock

Archery – Compound Unaided (Int)
Avigail Frazier

Archery – Compound Unaided (Sr)
Erika Cooper

Archery – Genesis (Int)
Aubree Harp

Archery – Genesis (Sr)
Evan Trezise

Archery – Recurve (Int)
Luke Anderson

Archery – Recurve (Sr)
Bailey Riley

Beef Education Presentation
Alexis Hargrove

***Beef Quiz Bowl**
Reid Bentke, Wyatt Gardner, Bethany Janner, Taylor Klatte

Consumer Decision Making – Individual
Martha Dollver

Clothing and Textiles Educational Presentation
Emelia Hyde

Companion Animals Educational Presentation
Cameryn Jones

Consumer Decision Making – Individual
Martha Dollver

***Consumer Decision Making – Team**
Neeley Curry, Morgan Niemiec, Craig Odom, Sarah Winters

Discover Scientific Method: Science, Engineering & Tech. Poster Competition (Int)
Michael Chaloupka

Discover Scientific Method: Science, Engineering & Tech. Poster Competition (Sr)
Garrett Guerrero, Matthew Trees

Duds to Dazzle – Final Challenge
Madeleine Gulding, Teresa Gulding, Ann Ridley, Margaret Ridley

Duds to Dazzle – Accessory/Jewelry
Madeleine Gulding, Teresa Gulding, Ann Ridley, Margaret Ridley

Duds to Dazzle – Non-Wearable
Adriana Avila, Bethany Halgas, Natalie Krall

Duds to Dazzle – Wearable
Rachel Brockriede, Lauren Hobert, Lauren Thomas

Entomology Collection (Int)
Jacie Guero

Entomology Collection (Sr)
Megan Kopecki

Entomology Identification (Int) – Individual
Hayden Hajovsky

Entomology Identification (Int) – Team
Logan Baker, Hayden Hajovsky, Zoe Rutledge, Luke Scribner

Entomology Identification (Sr) – Individual
Megan Kopecki

Entomology Identification (Sr) – Team
Haley Kopecki, Megan Kopecki, Ashley Scribner, Anna Welfel

Fashion Show – Buying: Business Interview Attire
Abigail Ely

Fashion Show – Buying: Fantastic Fashions Under \$25
Brooklyn Tyson

Fashion Show – Buying: Semi-Formal to Formal
Ariella Harris

***Fashion Show – Buying: Special Interest**
Sedona Bailey

Fashion Show – Construction: Everyday Living
Hannah Hull

Fashion Show – Construction: Refashion
Denae Kocman

Fashion Show – Construction: Semi-Formal to Formal
Katelyn Peggram

***Fashion Show – Construction: Theatre/Costume**
Timothy Bradford

***Fashion Show – Natural Fiber – Cotton**
Avonley Powers

***Fashion Show – Natural Fiber – Wool/Mohair/Alpaca**
Elyssa Rodriguez

Fashion Show – Trashion
Avonley Powers

Fashion Storyboard – Accessory
Kyndal Peden

Fashion Storyboard – Jewelry
Kennedy Tucker

Fashion Storyboard – Non-wearable
Ashlyn Tucker

Fashion Storyboard – Pet Clothing
Andrea Robinson

Fashion Storyboard – Wearable
Julia Hornsby

***Food Challenge – Final Challenge**
Jillian Pfeuffer, Allie Treadwell, Jamie Treadwell

Food Challenge – Bread & Cereal
Sabastian Chapa, Taylor Gunn, Ryan Lopez

***Food Challenge – Fruit & Vegetable**
Jillian Pfeuffer, Allie Treadwell, Jamie Treadwell

***Food Challenge – Main Dish**
Shannon Anderson, Janae Braune, Emma deKiewiet, Lauren Elley, Bradin Hanselka

***Food Challenge – Nutritious Snacks**
Kylar Hardegree, Kynzie Hardegree, Hadley Redwine

Food Show – Dairy
Marissa Walker

Food Show – Fruits and Vegetables
William Whitaker

Food Show – Grains
Caroline Sexton

Food Show – Protein
Hannah Czajkowski

Health Educational Presentation
Kaitlin Rothbauer

Healthy Lifestyles (Int) – Individual
Luke Scribner

Healthy Lifestyles (Int) – Team
Logan Baker, Luke Scribner, Hayden Hajovsky

Healthy Lifestyles (Sr) – Individual
Ashley Scribner

***Healthy Lifestyles (Sr) – Team**
Christian Dieterich, Erik Dieterich, Jared Mayfield, Hannah Mohr, Benjamin Bezner, Kullen Sorrells, Luke Daniels

Healthy Lifestyles Sweepstakes
Brazos County

Hippology (Int) – Individual
Charlee Proctor

Hippology (Int) – Team
Tessa Kendrick, Sarah Muckelroy, Charlee Proctor, Abigail Taylor

Hippology (Sr) – Individual
Caitlynn Teel

***Hippology (Sr) – Team**
Jade Allen, Anelise Wilson, Delany Simonis

Horse Educational Presentation
Clayton Elbel, Ashley Fuqua

Horse Judging – Individual
Jackie Holliday

***Horse Judging – Team**
Airella Harris, Miranda Haynes, Kylee Philips, LaKayla Philips

Horse Quiz Bowl
Kristi Bolf, Abigail Franke, Laramie Glover

Invitational Livestock Judging (Int) – Individual
Matthew Self

Invitational Livestock Judging (Int) – Team
Taylor Colvin, Luke Sanders, Miranda Skaggs, Tyler Wendt

Invitational Livestock Judging (Sr) – Individual
Wyatt Clostio

Invitational Livestock Judging (Sr) – Team
Brooke Stoddard, Brock Parker, Ashley Stoddard, Callie Grigsby

Invitational Meat Judging (Int) – Individual
Kelsey Pfeiffer

Invitation Meat Judging (Int) – Team
Claire Lozano, Kelsey Pfeiffer

Invitational Meat Judging (Sr) – Individual
Kendra Pfeiffer

Invitational Meat Judging (Sr) – Team
Thomas Arnold, Thomas Petit

***Leaders 4 Life**
Mark Holtman, Cody Moeller, Emily Moeller, Jillian Pfeuffer, Nathan Waldron, Cassie Weishuhn

Livestock Skill-A-Thon (Int) – Individual
Alex Wilson

Livestock Skill-A-Thon (Int) – Team
Kade Lawrence, Tanner Owen, Alexis Wilson

***Livestock Skill-A-Thon (Sr) – Individual**
Macy Lawrence

***Livestock Skill-A-Thon (Sr) – Team**
Miles Huffhines, Macy Lawrence, Gage Lewter, Macey Thurman

Livestock Sweepstakes
Guadalupe County

Mohair Judging and Evaluation – Individual
Cameron Poole

Mohair Judging and Evaluation – Team
Haley Fair, Cameron Poole, Hannah Thompson, Makayla Waiser

Nutrition Quiz Bowl
Amy Dittmar, Karlie Nebgen, Julia O'Leary, Samuel O'Leary

Open – Agriculture & Natural Resources Educational Presentation
Allie Herring

Open – Education Presentation
Nancy Ariza

Open – Family and Consumer Sciences Educational Presentation
Kyleigh Carr

Photography Judging (Int) – Individual
Julia Macmanus

Photography Judging (Int) – Team
Mikaila Fortner, Catherine Hicks, Shyanne Tower

Photography Judging (Sr) – Individual
Cameryn Jones

Photography Judging (Sr) – Team
Kennedy Foster, Madisyn Foster, Madeline Kovacs

Poultry Judging (Int) – Individual
Daniel Lee

Poultry Judging (Int) – Team
Kinsley Cerny, Kolin Cerny, Hannah Sutton, Kamryn Till

***Poultry Judging (Sr) – Individual**
Ryan Williamson

***Poultry Judging (Sr) – Team**
Bailey Halbert, Braden Lowe, Sean Lowe, Dylan Outlaw

Promote 4-H Educational Presentation
Benjamin Bezner, Kullen Sorrells, Luke Daniels

Public Speaking
Kaitlyn Kempen

***Qualifying Livestock Judging – Individual**
Mason Pape

***Qualifying Livestock Judging – Team**
Dain Copeland, Chance Ferguson, Cross Knittel, Wyatt Sisco

***Qualifying Meat Judging and Identification – Individual**
Caleb Kunde

***Qualifying Meat Judging and Identification – Team**
Megan Burgess, Caleb Kunde, Campbell Pascua, Madyson Schulze

Range Evaluation – Individual
Hayden Mathews

Range Evaluation – Team
Kylee Edwards, Keene Kreuster, Davis Mathews, Hayden Mathews

Range & Pasture Grass Identification – Individual
Kalyn Stephens

Range & Pasture Grass Identification – Team
Elizabeth Calhoun, Jacob Casey, Chandlin Hale, Kalyn Stephens

Robotics Challenge (Int)
Emilio Gray, Ryan Jones, Landon Thompson

Robotics Challenge (Sr)
Ethan Gray, Collin Jones

Safety & Injury Prevention
Kallie Childress, Sarah McDaniel, Parker Ralston

Share the Fun – Celebrate 4-H
Jadan Butler, Robert DeLaGarza, Gunner Garnett, Cynthia Schubert, Kelly Thomas, Weston Wimberly, Brooke Yanta

Share the Fun – Choreographed Routine
Kaylee Bartell, Elliot Gowin, Jeren Morris, Michael Seider, Walter Simpson, Thomas Terperning, Kallee Tompkins, Jaylee Walters, Jerick Woodcock

Share the Fun – Dramedy
Michaela Blakesley, Katelyn McCormick, Clara Raabe, Kristen Samek, Kaylee Sicking, Eleanor Smith, Jacqueline Smith, Geordon Spaeth, Theresa Wyrick

Share the Fun – Musical/Instrumental
Madeline Kovacs, Meg Kovacs

Share the Fun – Poetry/Prose
Caitlin McCauslin

Share the Fun – Solo/Band Performance
Sami Daye

Share the Fun – Vocal
Michael Norris

Sheep and/or Goat Educational Presentation
Avery Flanagan, Shane Flanagan

Soil Judging (Int) – Individual
Dylan Wunderlich

Soil Judging (Int) – Team
Carter Hague, Summer Halbert, Victoria Lowe

Soil Judging (Sr) – Individual
Payton Brown

Soil Judging (Sr) – Team
Payton Brown, Hayden Crawford, Tanner Sorrells

Swine Quiz Bowl (Int)
Jett Bradford, Kinlea Ford, Christopher McLaughlin, Savannah Sinclair

Swine Quiz Bowl (Sr)
Travis Lilley, Thomas Powers, Kinze Reich, Kyndal Sligh

Vet Science Skill-A-Thon (Novice)
Abigail Martin

Vet Science Skill-A-Thon (Level 1)
Bryce Fisher

Vet Science Skill-A-Thon (Level 2)
Angelina R. Newbold

Wildlife Challenge (Int) – Individual
Case Lucky

Wildlife Challenge (Int) – Team
Carson Golden, Case Lucky

Wildlife Challenge (Sr) – Individual
Hayden Mathews

Wildlife Challenge (Sr) – Team
Davis Mathews, Hayden Mathews

***Wool Judging and Evaluation – Individual**
Camryn Rothe

***Wool Judging and Evaluation – Team**
Cassie Bendele, Laurel Pfeiffer, Kellen Pfeiffer, Camryn Rothe

***Wool Judging and Evaluation – Team**
Cassie Bendele, Laurel Pfeiffer, Kellen Pfeiffer, Camryn Rothe

***Wool Judging and Evaluation – Team**
Cassie Bendele, Laurel Pfeiffer, Kellen Pfeiffer, Camryn Rothe

***Qualified for a National Contest**

"I have been coming as a parent leader for the past couple of years. I love that the kids can always come back and see friends at these events. Everyone is always so helpful."



Working Together to Reduce Childhood

Obesity in Texas

A new effort to reduce childhood obesity in Texas will focus on building youth knowledge and skills in gardening, nutrition and physical fitness.

Beginning in the fall of 2018, Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU) will implement Growing U, a joint 4-H project between the PVAMU Cooperative Extension Program (CEP) and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. Growing U will educate elementary age youth on long term healthy living practices. This approximately \$1.1 million, 5-year project is funded by a Children, Youth and Families at Risk (CYFAR) grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture. PVAMU CEP will lead the Growing U project sites in Brazos, Cameron and Travis Counties. Texas A&M AgriLife will coordinate the Growing U project at three sites in two counties.



The youth have unique opportunities to expand their experiences.

and participation. We are all excited to receive funding that will provide the needed resources to make a positive impact on areas in Texas that are disproportionately impacted by obesity”, stated Dawn Burton, Health Coordinator for Prairie View A&M University’s Cooperative Extension Program.

“Our goal is to reach Texas youth and their families with easily adoptable practices and information that will spur lasting, healthy habits and increased wellness,” said

JaNelle Casson, project staff with AgriLife Extension. Organizers expect to reach more than 1,000 youth with the project’s initial offerings. The numbers are expected to increase as parent volunteers establish 4-H clubs and as children who complete the program return as youth leaders.



Leaders with “Growing U Club” sign.

David Wright and Rukeia Draw-Hood serve as project directors for their respective institutions. Other key personnel include Courtney Dodd, Scott Cummings, Dawn Burton, Janelle Cason and Lindsey Jewel. Participating Prairie View Cooperative extension agents include Guadalupe Castro, Arvitta Scott, and Nathan Tucker. The National Program Leader for the grant is Bonita Williams.

For additional information on the Growing U project, contact Dawn E. Burton, 713.797.7032, or email Deburton@pvamu.edu.

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Cooking and creativity are combined for learning by all.

The grant was awarded in the fall of 2017. Since that time, the project team has been diligently planning and preparing for a successful program implementation in September 2018. Jan Carroll, the CYFAR Mentor assigned to the project, visited Texas to share her knowledge and provide overall guidance during this planning year. Brazos County agreed to pilot the program early in spring 2018. Brazos County agreed to pilot the program early in spring 2018, to serve as a trial run to determine if any adjustments are required and reveal any unforeseen challenges to success.

“We sincerely appreciate our school partners and volunteers. This opportunity would not be possible without their support



Leaders are committed to building a healthier Texas.

Three of AgriLife Extension’s signature programs and/or curricula will be used: Learn, Grow, Eat, & Go!, Junior Master Gardner, and Walk Across Texas.

“Lessons from Junior Master Gardener and Learn, Grow, Eat, & Go! will teach children and parents about gardening and nutrition through a science-backed curriculum shown to help reduce obesity. Walk Across Texas programming at the six sites will stress the importance of exercise by using teaching tools shown to improve physical activity and wellness in adults and youth across the state.



Camper catches a fish at Texas 4-H Center.

Texas 4-H Center

Youth and adults experience summer camp in a fun-filled, exciting and safe atmosphere at the Texas 4-H Center. Making new friends, learning new skills, and spending time outdoors are key components. Over 8,000 guests were hosted there over the past year with more than 3,500 of those participating in summer camp programs. Summer programs offer a wide variety of hands-on activities including the 4-H Center challenge course where youth are challenged to overcome their fear of heights and work together as a team. It offers a variety of low rope elements, a 35-foot rock wall, a giant swing and the most popular activity, the zip line. Aquatic

activities include swimming, kayaking and fishing at the lake side area. A shooting range is located at the lake side where campers can experience target practice with air rifles and an archery range where campers are taught to shoot compound or recurve bows.

The 4-H Center also has special traditions that are included at each summer program like a nightly dance, camp songs, evening vesper ceremonies and each

camper can bring a rock from their county to place in the Texas Star on the last night of camp. A variety of



Campers face their fears on the challenge course at 4-H camp.

camps are offered each summer. Traditional 4-H camps include County Camps, for youth ages 8-18, Prime Time I for youth ages 5th-8th grade and Prime Time II for youth grades 3rd-5th. These camp sessions involve the traditional camp activities in a fast-paced environment. Specialized camps include Horizons, Mission Possible and Fishing Camp. Horizons camp offers a variety of 4-H based project sessions. Campers select which project area they want to focus on during the five-day, four-night camp program. This past year, sessions included Wildlife Adventure, Wood Working Adventure, Vet Science Adventure and Robotics/STEM Adventure. Mission Possible is a camp for youth with disabilities. Each camper is paired with a

senior 4-H Mentor to provide them a traditional camp experience. This has become one of the most rewarding programs for the campers and mentors alike. During fish camp, participants spend three days learning all aspects of fishing in Texas waters. Activities include lure making, kayaking, rod casting, fishing techniques and dissecting native fish. For over 45 years the Texas 4-H Center has provided positive fun-filled summer programs for youth all across the state. New programming activities are continually developed and plans are being made for several new camps in the future. Upcoming 4-H project-based camps include Rabbit Adventure Camp, Dog Adventure Camp and STEM Adventure Camp.



Campers always love the dance at 4-H camp!



Fishing at the lake is always a favorite at 4-H camp.

<https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu>

Together.

Juntos 4-H – where families, communities, challenges, dreams, and opportunities grow together.

However, much like all 4-H programs - the revived smiles, improved grades, and home life milestones accomplished thus far didn't bloom without the support of exceptional volunteers. Nathaniel and Irene Flores have poured into the Juntos 4-H program as parents and dedicated leaders for three years.

"Juntos in general means together," Nathaniel said. "Here, everybody comes together in the community."

Juntos 4-H has been impacting Latino youth in Bexar county since 2015 when a 3-year partnership grant between National 4-H Council and New York Life ignited the program at Armando Leal Jr Middle School.

"My husband and I, we take the kids to community service events, we give them rides, we help with family nights, setups and breakdowns," Nathaniel's wife Irene said. "Whatever the kids need – we're there."

After quickly seeing the impact Juntos made on not only their daughter Jewelianna, but their family as a whole, the Flores couple stepped into volunteer positions to ensure that other kids and families would be able to reap that same benefit.



Nathaniel Flores enjoying time with Juntos 4-H members at the 2018 TAMU COALS/4-H Tailgate.

our group is the male figure, so they have Mr. Flores there to talk to them and help them through challenges," Irene said. "I help the young ladies with anything they need moving forward in life."

"Mr. Dad" and "Mrs. Mom" push their Juntos youth to not only make strides in improving their educational or family habits, but to seek out additional opportunities for personal growth and life-changing experiences.

*"Whatever the kids need -
we're there."*



Nathaniel and Irene Flores at the 2018 Texas A&M College of Agriculture & Life Sciences/Texas 4-H Tailgate.

"It's an indescribable feeling when you see these kids smile when three years ago they didn't do that," Nathaniel said. "Fast forward three years later and they won't shut up and it's not a bad thing – I love it, hearing them laugh and play around."

Studies have shown that at-risk youth are likely to drop out of school in tenth grade, so Juntos 4-H targets those students in 8th grade by giving them opportunities for educational and personal growth with hopes of involving their families as well.

"Some of the families are broken and what's missing in a lot of those families for so many of the older young men in



Juntos 4-H group at the 2018 TAMU COALS/4-H Tailgate.

VOLUNTEERISM

"I had the privilege of winning an essay contest how this program impacted my life and I got flown out to Florida to shoot a video with an astronaut," Juntos youth and National 4-H 'Day in the Life' contest winner, David Tierranegra said. "It was so cool and it just goes to show that if you take opportunities, it can benefit you in the long run."

After a few road bumps along the Juntos leadership road, the Flores couple fully embodied the meaning of togetherness and decided to keep the opportunities for youth rolling - no matter what it took.

"You can't even imagine, they're always there," Tierranegra said. "It's not even a question, you can just go to them and talk to them and they'll answer you with maturity and it's just great."

The Flores' daughter Jewelianna Flores not only reached top-student status in the early stages of the program, but is following her parents' selfless example by serving her 4th term as the Juntos 4-H President, and seeking any opportunity to give back to her community.

"They care about all of us, me because I'm their child, but the other kids too, they just love and adore them," Jewelianna said. "They just really love and care for the children and they just want to see them grow and graduate and make it to college."

The grant for the Juntos 4-H program has ended, but Texas A&M University San Antonio isn't letting that sense of togetherness fade by offering a classroom space for meetings to be held and a gardening program to bloom.

"We told the students before the year was over what could happen this year for Juntos," Nathaniel said. "With the students aware of what was going on, they made the effort to make sure everyone showed on our first family meeting for the year and with so many showing up, that gave us the hope that we may still be able to continue Juntos."



Irene Flores with a Juntos 4-H member at the 2018 TAMU COALS/4-H Tailgate.

The next chapter of Juntos 4-H

Juntos 4-H will continue to impact youth in Bexar County now in partnership with Texas A&M University – San Antonio.



Members and parents at the first TAMU-SA Juntos 4-H meeting.

Harlandale ISD will provide transportation to TAMU-SA each Saturday for their 35 Juntos 4-H participants to receive two hours of 4-H programs each weekend.



Employees and supporters at the TAMU-SA Celebration.

A celebration of the new partnership was held on October 20th at the TAMU-SA campus where members, parents, supporters, and leaders joined together to officially welcome the new Juntos 4-H opportunities.

VOLUNTEERISM

Each year, the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program provides awards and recognition for various individuals and groups that provide support to the 4-H program. All awards are presented at the Salute to Excellence ceremony at Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station, Texas. 2018 Winners include:

Salute to Excellence

District 1:
Chad Epperson, Gray Co.
Shannon Wilson, Randall

District 2:
Judson & Mary Walker, Swisher Co.
Harry & Sharon Wolfe, Crosby Co.

District 3:
Deana Vieth, Archer

District 4:
Randall Caldwell,
Denton Co.

District 5:
Coy & Jodie Miller,
Upshur Co.

District 6:
Russell Adams, Reagan Co.
Griselda Hinojos, Presidio Co.

District 7:
Michael & Paige Jones,
Tom Green Co.
Darrell & Teresa Keese,
McCulloch Co.

District 8:
Curtis & Jammie Payne,
Bell Co.
Mike & Shannon Edwards,
Ellis Co.

District 9:
Todd Harkrider,
Madison Co.
Patricia Ann Mitchell,
Grimes Co.

District 10:
Mr. & Mrs. Nathaniel Flores,
Bexar Co.
Michelle Spisak,
Gillespie Co.

District 11:
Kirby Garrett,
Victoria Co.
Brian Gardner,
Austin Co.

Leader Legacy

District 4:
Lois Bogusch, Tarrant Co.

District 7:
Charlie Greenway, Callahan Co.

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Corinth Elementary 4-H

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District 8:
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District 11:
Allison Bentke, Washington County

Meritorious Service

County Extension Agent
Claudann Jones,
Nacogdoches County, District

County Extension Agent
Ricky Thompson,
Nacogdoches County, District 5

Commendable Service

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Kay White, District 3 office

District 4:
Maureen Metcalf, Collin County

District 10:
Pam Axtell, Bexar County

Submit an outstanding 4-H supporter for a 2019 Salute to Excellence award at:
https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/form226/form_login.html **4-HGROWS**

LIVING LEADERSHIP

Texas 4-H Congress is held every two years for senior Texas 4-H members. A select number of 4-H delegates are allotted to each district. The 2018 Texas 4-H Congress was held July 22-25, 2018. Texas 4-H Congress allows members to experience the law making process first hand by writing and submitting bills, and then serving as a member of the House of Representatives, the Senate, the Press, or as a Lobbyist. From these roles, the 4-H members determine the fate of each bill submitted.



Texas State Capitol.



Congress members cheer at the passing of a bill.



Jayna Grove addresses Congress members.

Lobbyist:

- Members who have attended Texas 4-H Congress in the past.
- Identify certain bills and then lobby members of the House and Senate to either pass or defeat the bill.
- Knowledgeable about Texas 4-H Congress
- Prepared to and have the ability to approach other 4-H members and persuade House and Senate members for support
- Holds a "by invitation only" reception for House and Senate Members, along with Congress Leadership

Press Corp

- Plays an extremely important part in the event success
- Either first time or returning members
- Individuals should have strong skills in writing, word processing, interviewing, photography, and focused on making deadlines
- Responsible for the publishing of a daily newspaper and helping maintain a web page/electronic communication

Submit Legislative Bill

- Any 4-H member may submit a legislative bill for consideration
- Participation in the bill writing exercise allows 4-H members the opportunity to become engaged in the legislative process and the 4-H citizenship project
- Attending members will be required to submit at least one bill (this includes Texas 4-H Council, Tech Team, etc) prior to registration acceptance
- Download "Preparing a Legislative Bill for Texas 4-H Congress" and work with a county Extension agent or a volunteer to learn more on how to write and submit a bill

Save the date
for the next Texas 4-H Congress

July 12-15, 2020





Taylor Maberry, 2018 Texas 4-H Congress Lobbyist, Guadalupe County

“Texas 4-H Congress not only taught me about how the legislative process in Texas works, but it helped me recognize how important my voice is when it comes to fighting for what you believe in.”

“Being a lobbyist at Texas 4-H Congress was one of the most meaningful honors I’ve been given. There’s

no greater feeling than walking through our State Capitol doors as a 4-H member ready to take on whatever task is handed to you.”



“I’m so thankful to have been a part of the 2018 Texas 4-H Congress. Learning about our government, meeting new friends, and spending time at the capitol is something I will cherish forever.”



Thank you to our 2018 Texas 4-H Congress sponsors!





Honoring her roots “I love helping people with their animals; I love it,” Texas 4-H alumna, Casey Pitmon said. “I feel like that is one of my callings and I love it.”

Pitmon found her “dream job” through livestock projects in Texas 4-H and has now been a veterinarian for 12 years.

Casey now practices in Fredericksburg, Texas, alongside a fellow 4-H alumna, Dr. Robert Lastovica at Friendship Veterinary Center.

“I grew up in a small town in South Texas and went to school there through my junior year of high school and then moved up to Fredericksburg high school my senior year and then went off to A&M.”

At such a pivotal point in her life, Casey credits 4-H for being the glue that held her world together.

“Moving in high school to a whole new town, 4-H was always the constant. I knew that 4-H was a big part of my life and it was easy to transfer right in.”

4-H youth gain far more than success and leadership skills alone through experiences, but rather a way of life as well.

“To be honest, if I wouldn’t have had 4-H at that pivotal point in my life when you switch around everything, I would have been lost.”

4-H youth find a home in their clubs, community supporters and projects, and grow into adults who still remember their humble beginnings in those experiences.

“I felt that I belonged there. It was a good place to be.”

Pitmon fully believes in the impact 4-H can make on youth, and hopes to see youth continue to succeed in the program.

“If you give kids those outlets, and they find that group of belonging, and also give them an opportunity to lead that, that’s very important.”

Pitmon is grateful for her time in 4-H and now uses her position as an alumna to encourage others to get involved.

“Find out everything you can about what 4-H has to offer and jump in with both feet.”

As for the opportunities in 4-H, they are constantly expanding and there’s vast potential for 4-H youth and alumna of all interests.

“Don’t think that it’s just something for “ag kids” because it’s not, it has something for everybody.”



Pitmon and Lastovica. Photo from: <https://www.friendshipvetcenter.com/new-page/>

**Support Texas youth through the
Texas 4-H Youth Development
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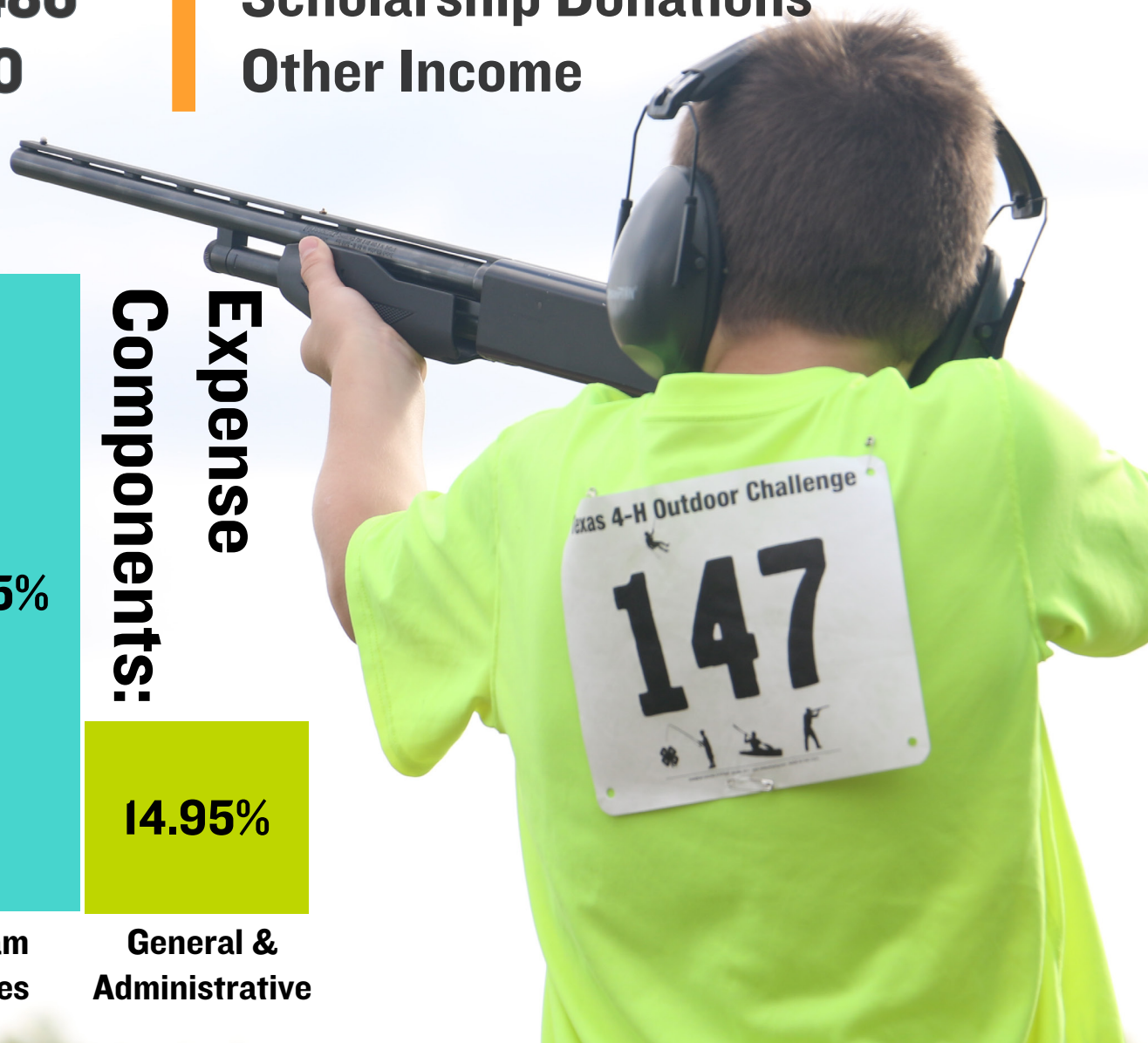
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\$ 725,107
\$ 798,142
\$ 433,104
\$ 266,243
\$ 241,486
\$ 5,320

Total revenue
Donations
Investment Activity
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Alliance Partnerships
Scholarship Donations
Other Income



Expense
Components:

85.05%

**Program
Services**

14.95%

**General &
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| Producers' Cooperative Association | \$4,000.00 |
| Texas 4-H Foundation | \$3,000.00 |
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| Texas Association of Extension 4-H Agents | \$3,000.00 |



Makenna Hawkins, a Hays County 4-H alumni and a 2018 Texas 4-H scholar now attends Texas A&M University as an Animal Science major with plans to graduate in 2022. Makenna would like to thank the Richard Wallrath Educational Foundation for allowing her to pursue her dream at Texas A&M:

"4-H was more than just a pastime. I feel like 4-H has made me a better person. It gave me the confidence I needed to achieve my goals, and it provided lifelong lessons of responsibility, leadership, and service."



"The Richard Wallrath Educational Foundation has given me the opportunity to strive in college. I have received enough money through scholarships to cover my first year! Not having to work this semester has been a huge blessing on me. I am really able to get involved in my organizations and I can devote my time to my studies. I am thankful that the Richard Wallrath Educational Foundation has given me the opportunity to focus on my education!"



"Receiving a Texas 4-H Scholarship has allowed me to really focus on school. I am able to give 100% to studying and making the best grades that I possibly can. Also because of my scholarship, I am able to get involved in organizations. I am currently serving on the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Student Council, and I am serving as Club Coordinator of the Texas A&M Show Pig Association. This scholarship has given me the opportunity to get involved and to make the best of my time at Texas A&M University."



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HLSR Scholars show their school pride at the 2018 banquet.



2018 scholars listen attentively to speakers at the scholarship banquet.



Scholars taking time to get to know the donors at the 2018 banquet.



2018 Scholar poses for a picture with donor, Richard Wallrath.

DONORS DEVELOPING LEADERS

Each 4-H District hosts a Leadership Lab where educational workshops and activities are used as tools to further teach and enhance leadership skills of high-school age 4-H members. Sponsors like Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo make these experiences possible.

"I feel like I can work better as a team member because I learned to pay attention to actions."

Each year, more than



9,000 youth

participate in the leadership project

"I am more confident in my ability to lead and work with others."

**Common thread:
Each project =**



leadership & life skills

↓
Club

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County

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District

Leadership Lab

In 2018, more than



**4-H members learned
teamwork**

communication

public speaking

**parliamentary
procedure**

decision making

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Knowledge gained

- Importance of cooperation with others
- What makes a good public speaker
- Personal strengths
- Teamwork
- Responsibilities of being a leader
- Importance of goal setting
- Role of communication among a team
- Strategies to work with others



- Recognizing leadership qualities in others
- What makes a good public speaker

"I will be more open to listening to others' ideas and encouraging them."

Confidence Changes

- Working in a team
- Abilities as a leader
- Speaking with others
 - Public speaking
- Serving in a leadership role

Thank you, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo!

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