



Texas 4-H Community Service Project

Project Description

Part of the 4-H pledge is “Hands through larger service” – a commitment to make our communities a better place to live. In 4-H, that means giving back to your town through community service! All 4-H members are encouraged to do community service projects, but it is not required. Find a need in your community and come up with a creative solution for how you can help!



Helping out in your community can be big or small. Be creative! It may be as simple as setting up tables at your local county fair auction or making birthday cards for the elderly! Set up a marathon to raise money for a cause, organize a coat drive and donate coats to a homeless shelter...the possibilities are endless!

Basic

- Participate in community service projects offered by your 4-H club or other organizations in your community.
- Some ways to find a project or person in your community that needs help:
 - Ask club members and families if they know of something
 - Ask other community groups
 - Talk with community officials
 - Find out what types of projects have and have not been done recently
 - Ask your county Extension office

Intermediate

- Lead a community service project in your school, county, or city.
- Involve other organizations in your project.

Advanced

- Participate in statewide or nationwide community service projects.

TAKE COMMUNITY SERVICE FURTHER

Project Learning Opportunities:

- One Day 4-H
- Prudential Spirit of Community Awards
- Texas 4-H Roundup Community Service Project

Resources:

- Service Learning Lesson: Use Your Hands..For Service!
 - Part of the Leaders 4 Life Lessons
- Reaching out to your County Extension Office can be a great way to learn about community service opportunities near you.

Did you know?

4-H is a club for kids and teens to develop life skills and make friends. Youth can join 4-H in all 254 counties. Everybody ages 8-18 and in 3rd-12th grades can join 4-H. Kids in Kindergarten to 2nd grades can join as Clover Kids. There are 43 different project areas in five project categories: Agriculture & Livestock, Family & Community Health, Leadership & Citizenship, Natural Resources, and STEM.

Want to get started?

First...Contact your County Extension Agent!

- Contact information can be found at texas4-h.tamu.edu > contacts information at the bottom of the page > county offices

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