

Why fundraise for your 4-H Club, Event, etc.?

- To support the 4-H club, programs, events, competitions, etc...
- #1 thing to remember... *fundraising using the 4-H name and emblem should be carried out for specific educational purposes; and private support monies should be given and used for educational purposes, and accounted for efficiently.*



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Where must the \$\$\$ be kept?

- All 4-H program funds, including all 4-H Clubs with funds in excess of \$100, shall be held in the local County 4-H Association or authorized 501(c) (3) 4-H foundation.

No Exceptions!

This is a Florida 4-H state policy.



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National 4-H Fundraising Regulations

- 4-H National Headquarters - USDA has a long-standing policy of discouraging 4-H fundraising activities involving games of chance, raffles, lotteries, etc.
- Federal regulations state that fundraising using the 4-H name and emblem should be carried out for specific educational purposes; and private support monies should be given and used for educational purposes, and accounted for efficiently.
- Often, these regulations are difficult to meet in a game of chance or raffle situation, which may lead to negative implications for the 4-H program and Land Grant institution.
- However, 4-H National Headquarters-USDA does not expressly forbid the involvement of 4-H clubs and groups in raffles and games of chance, leaving to state 4-H programs to adopt a statewide policy.



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Group Activity

In your county group, list 3 fundraising ideas for your 4-H club/program and there educational purpose.

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Share ideas with group.



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It's Time for the Fundraiser

- Remember to always say, THANK YOU!
- No matter what type of fundraising you're having be sure you thank those that supported your 4-H group.

How do I say THANK YOU ?

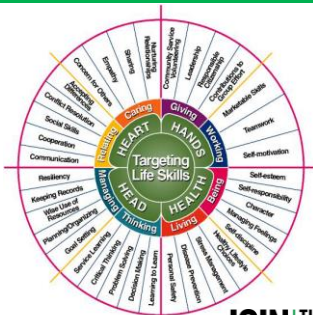
- face-to-face, give a token such as a lollipop/pencil with a thank you note attached
- handwritten thank you notes through snail-mail (preferred)
- thank you notes via email (not preferred; impersonal)
- NOTE:** Be sure everyone in your group knows what the money raised will be used for, so they can answer questions about the fundraiser. People who donate like to know how their money will be used. Have an answer ready, say it with a smile, and a gracious thank you full of enthusiasm!



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Targeting Life Skills Model for 4-H





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**4-H
COMMUNITY
SERVICE
PROJECTS**

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What is a 4-H Community Service Project?

A method of learning and development through active participation in thoughtfully organized service that is conducted in, and meets the needs of, a community.

It helps foster civic responsibility.

It provides structured time for 4-Hers/participants to reflect on the service experience.



What 4-Hers gain from Community Service Projects?

The youth...

- make a difference in their community.
- gain knowledge beyond what is learned in the classroom or program.
- have fun working with friends.
- feel good about themselves.
- have hands-on experiences and explore potential career paths.
- develop new skills by working directly with the community.
- enhances skills, including communication, team-building, and critical thinking; builds their self-esteem; and develops their sense of responsibility for decision-making.



Florida 4-H & Community Service

Florida 4-H Approach = learn-by-doing to help youth gain the knowledge and skills they need to be responsible, productive citizens.

Florida 4-H Mission = accomplished by creating safe and inclusive learning environments, involving caring adults, and utilizing the expertise and resources of the University of Florida and the nationwide land grant university system.



Examples:

All 4-Hers are strongly encouraged to participate in Community Service Projects.

- Must be age appropriate.
- Example: 4-H Cloverbud Club (ages 5-8) makes handmade Valentine's for the participants at the local Senior Center.

- May be specific to a 4-H Club project focus and member ability.
- Example: 4-H Craft Club knits newborn hats for the local hospital nursery.

- May be chosen randomly through a 4-H Club vote.
- Example: 4-H Horse Club visits the local nursing home to sing carols, deliver cards, and visit with the patients during the Christmas season.

- May be chosen by the 4-H agent as an icebreaker for a new group.
- Example: 4-H agent coordinates a project at the local park to paint benches, trim bushes, and rake leaves as the first 4-H camp counselor training session. This gives the teens the opportunity to work together, have time to get to know each other, and to bond over a community project that they will each see in their own town or city.



Group Activity

In your county group, list 3 potential community service project ideas for your 4-H Club and/or program.

~ 5 minutes ~

Share ideas with group.



A Few Potential Collaborators

- SWAT (Students Working Against Tobacco)
- Teen Court Programs
- American Red Cross
- United Way
- Nursing Homes
- Hospitals
- Libraries
- Local, county, and state parks
- Fire departments
- Animal Shelters/Humane Societies
- Angel Trees
- Toys for Tots
- Salvation Army
- Etc.

*Please share a potential collaborator with your county group.



Need Project Ideas?

<http://florida4h.org/>

4-H Mail

<http://new.4hcurriculum.org/projects/servicelearning/>

National Service-Learning Clearinghouse (NSLC)

<http://www.servicelearning.org/>



Need Funds to start a Project?

4-H Community Pride
http://florida4h.org/staff/Awards_Handbook/competition_group.shtml

MLK Day of Service
<http://mlkday.gov/>

Do Something Growth Grants
<http://dosomething.org>

Global Youth Service Day Grants
<http://ysa.org>



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Thank you!