



Larimer County 4-H Youth Foundation

The Larimer County 4-H Youth Foundation is a 501(C)3 Non-Profit Organization. Established in 1953 and governed by a Board of Trustees that donates their time and expertise, the Foundation is an arm of the Colorado State University/Larimer County Extension Service. The Foundation acts upon recommendations from the Colorado State University/Larimer County Extension Service and their advisory groups to create and sustain positive youth development.

The Foundation helps provide learning opportunities for Larimer County 4-H youth. These opportunities include:

- Educational programs
- Project workshops and competitions
- Camp experiences
- Counselor training
- Livestock and non-livestock events
- Youth and adult leadership and citizenry skills education
- Post-secondary education
- Member and leader recognition

4-H Pledge:

I pledge my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service and my health to better living, for my club, my community, my country and my world.



4-H is a worldwide grassroots movement focused on youth education, community responsibility, personal leadership and volunteerism.

Organized more than 100 years ago as a way to give rural youth new agricultural skills, today's 4-H involves rural, urban and suburban youth. The 4-H program gives rural, urban and suburban youth safe learning environments and partnerships with caring adults who help them meet their basic needs of belonging, mastery, independence and generosity.

Today's 4-H. . .

- Values differences and celebrates diversity.
- Teaches life skills, leadership skills and critical thinking skills.
- Encourages healthy, positive competition.
- Fosters a spirit of community service and involvement.
- Builds character.

The Larimer County 4-H program is the largest traditional club program in Colorado, with approximately 400 volunteer adult leaders and 1,000 youth, ages 5 through 18, participating directly in the program. More than 15,000 kids are involved in 4-H when you count in the program's outreach activities.



Investing in Today's Youth

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Help Us Grow Leaders



4-H stands behind two key principles:

- 1) *Youth are the future.*
- 2) *Investing in youth delivers amazing benefits.*

Research regarding positive youth development indicates that 4-H members are competent, confident, connected, character-driven, caring and contributors to their communities. Tufts' Research 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development Reports shows that 4-H members are:

- **4X more likely to contribute to their communities (Grades 7-12).**
- **2X more likely to be civically active (Grades 8-12).**
- **2X more likely to make healthier choices (Grade 7).**
- **2X more likely to earn better grades and higher levels of academic competence.**

Because leaders aren't born but are developed through experiences and guidance, 4-H is dedicated to helping grow leaders. And that's where the Foundation needs your assistance.



Your Gift Helps Youth Grow

Your financial support and assistance to the Larimer County 4-H Program is needed to help grow future leaders. Your gift can be given with confidence, as 100% of Larimer County 4-H Youth Foundation donations go directly to youth programs. Annual audits/reviews ensure the accuracy of this statement.

Gifts can be given in many forms:

- **One-time donation**
- **Monthly donation**
- **Memorial and tribute gifts**
- **Endowments**

Contributions made to the Foundation are tax deductible by the donors as provided in Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

To donate, please go online to www.larimercounty4hfoundation.com or fill out the attached form.

Questions?

Please send an email to larimercounty4hfoundation@gmail.com or give the Larimer County 4-H Extension Office a call at (970) 498-6000.

4-H Motto:

To Make the Best Better

4-H Slogan & Philosophy:

Learn by Doing



Yes, I would like to make a tax deductible donation to the Larimer County 4-H Foundation and support Larimer County 4-H youth.

I would like...

- To make a one-time donation of \$_____ My check, made out to the Larimer County 4-H Foundation, is enclosed.
- To learn more about giving a monthly gift of \$5, \$10, \$25 or more. Please contact me.
- To obtain information about establishing a memorial or tribute gift as a meaningful way to honor a person or to celebrate a special occasion. Please contact me.

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