

4-H of Santa Clara County Timely Topics



Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to making 4-H such a success! We have many great 4-H events and projects planned for the new year, so read on and discover what's next on your 4-H journey!

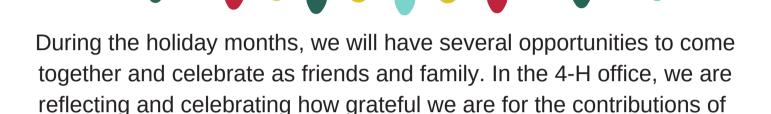


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Hello from the 4-H Office

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4-H volunteers, parents, and youth. Your dedication is appreciated!

There have been some exciting changes in the 4-H office. As many of you know, Susan has moved into her new role as the 4-H Regional Program Coordinator and will now supervise the 4-H Youth Development Program in Santa Clara County as well as San Mateo, San Francisco, Contra Costa, and Alameda Counties.

We welcome Zubia Mahmood as the new 4-H Community Educator II for Santa Clara County. Zubia is a long-time volunteer in Pleasant Acres 4-H and has two children that have participated for the past eleven years.

Zubia has extensive experience working with children of all ages. Her work experience in elementary and middle schools has well-prepared her for her new 4-H role. Some of you may know Zubia as one of the camp health officers. Zubia will be the first point of contact for all 4-H members, volunteers, and parents.

You may reach Zubia at zmahmood@ucanr.edu or 408-282-3119



4-H Youth Development Program Santa Clara County

Tik-Tock! 4-H online enrollment

COMPLETE YOUR ENROLLMENT BEFORE DECEMBER 15, 2022

Not sure what you're missing in your enrollment? Please refer to the infographic below or email zmahmood@ucanr.edu



Santa Clara County How to Enrollment Guide:

New and Returning Youth and Volunteers

New Youth Members

- · A laptop or desktop is recommended.
- Select a local club and connect with the community club leader(s) to learn more about the club and project offerings.
- Create a "Family" profile on 4-H Online or join a "Family" that already exists if you are a younger sibling/family member.
- Sign-up for the project(s). You can add/update throughout the year.
- Pay annual 4-H enrollment fee online by credit card. Fill out the fee waiver form. 1
- Individual 4-H clubs, ranches and projects may collect an approved assessment for operatina expenses. Fee waivers are available by request.

Returning Youth Members

- Login to the "Family" profile on 4-H Online using previous family profile email & password (do not create a new profile).
 - Teens who would like to receive 4-H emails directly are encouraged to add THEIR contact info on their individual profile in 4-H Online.
 - Sign-up for project(s). You can add & update throughout the year. Update any information that has changed (remove projects and clubs you are not part of this year) and re-enroll.
- Pay annual enrollment fee online by credit card or indicate if you are seeking a fee waiver on the payment survey.
- Pay club directly for any additional fees.

New Adult Volunteers

- A laptop or desktop is recommended.
- Complete 4-H Volunteer Interest Survey. Create an adult volunteer profile on 4-H Online or join your "Family" that already
- exists if your family already has a profile. Complete eXtension training: 2022-2023 California New Volunteer Course (Spanish version). Check your email from 4-H Online for Santa Clara County password.
- Complete fingerprint requirement by scheduling an appointment Complete "Applicant Information", print and take to your appt. Here is an example form.
- Pay the annual family enrollment fee online by credit card. If your children are enrolled, do not pay another family fee.

Returning Adult Volunteers

- A laptop or desktop is recommended
- Update the adult volunteer profile on 4-H Online using previous family profile email & password (do not create a new profile). Re-enroll and remove projects & clubs you are not part of this year.
- Complete eXtension training 2022-2023 California Returning Volunteer Course (20 mins). Check your email from 4-H Online for SCC password.
- Pay the annual family enrollment fee online by credit card. If your children are enrolled, do not pay another family fee.
- If you have not previously, please complete the 4-H Volunteer Interest

You will receive an automated email after you enroll in 4-H Online stating that "enrollment has been submitted" and "is not yet complete." You will become "ACTIVE" once all enrollment steps are completed.

Pro Tips

- When completing your 4-H online screening?'s, be sure to answer#4 with CA (or other state). DO NOT enter your whole driver's license # or it will be returned to you.
- Contact information in 4-H Online is how the county 4-H office knows how to reach you. Please make sure this information is accurate.
- Only one family member can use the same email as the family profile email (the one used to log into 4-H Online) update all of your member's email address.
- Volunteers should indicate if they are a project leader in 4-H Online. This is how the report is generated to communicate to project leaders & submitted to the Fair.
- Returning Volunteers are covered by UC insurance through Dec 31, 2022. After Jan 1, 2023, you are no longer protected by UC unless you re-enroll.



4-H Youth Development Program

- For reduction or waiver of youth enrollment fees, please fill out the fee Waiver Form.
- 2 To view this infographic online, visit http://ucanr.edu/4HEG

Information and instructions for enrollment are on the "How to Join" page of the 4-H website.

2022-2023 Annual Enrollment Fees

One Youth & family fee = \$120.

Two Youth & family fee - \$200.

Three Youth & family fee - \$280.

Four Youth & family fee - \$360.

Adult Volunteers, no fee

Youth Enrollment Fee Waiver request is available.

Members and volunteers should complete reenrollment by December 15th. New members may join at any time. Approved enrollment is **required** for participation in 4-H projects.

County Ambassador NEWS!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

ONE MORE FUNDRIVE DONATION DAY!

10 TO 3 AT THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Our Purpose

The goal of this fundraiser is to promote positive change

REUSE - REDUCE - RECYCLE

We will raise funds for Leadership Overnight (LON) and Countywide 4-H events

We are collecting clothes

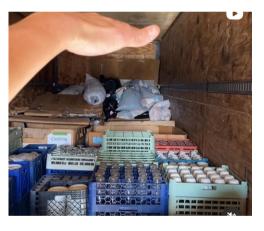
men's, women's, & chidrens' clothes, coats, shoes, scarves, handbags, wallets, accessories, hats, ties, belts, purses, backpacks, etc.

Household Textiles

bedding, comforters, blankets, sheets, towels, linen, tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc.

Small Household Goods

Kitchen Items (such as pots/pans, dishes, silverware, glasses, serving pieces, & hand held appliances) Decorative home items, knick-knacks, toys, games, and small electronics.





Coronavirus Update on 4-H Activities

Masks and social distancing are no longer required for local indoor and outdoor 4-H activities. Please see the Basic Safety Standards, from the CA 4-H office.

COVID-19

Before participating in any in-person 4-H projects or activities, please complete the two question health assessment below.

- 1) ARE YOU **EXPERIENCING ANY** OF THESE COMMON SYMPTOMS:
- Fever or chills
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Shortness of breath
- Loss of taste or smell
- Extreme Fatigue
- Dry Cough
- Vomiting or Diarrhea

2)Have you been exposed to anyone that has or is suspected of having the virus?

NOW, Did you answer yes to either of the two questions?

If you said yes, please do not put others at risk, return home until you are confirmed to be well.

WHO'S AT THE GREATEST RISK?

- Older people
- People with underlying medical problems like high blood pressure, heart problems, diabetes, asthma



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Leadership Engagement with Awesome People

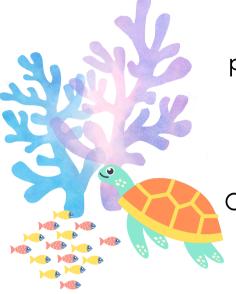
On Saturday, November 5th, the first-ever regional LEAP conference was held in Hayward, CA. The Region 7 event hosted 4-H leaders and parents from Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, San Francisco, and Santa Clara Counties. The opening speaker was 4-H alumna, Dr. Rachael Fisher, Veterinary Medical Officer of the USDA. Next were sessions on leading projects, helping youth to thrive, youth-adult partnerships, 4-H Camp, digital storytelling, outreach, and 4-H event planning. Santa Clara Volunteers led other sessions, Salene Duarte taught about participating in fair and livestock projects. The CS team (Megna & Michaela) taught about leading computer science projects, Laura Tiscareno & Eric Weaver led the public speaking session. Lunch was served and a whole lot of networking went on. Childcare and activities were provided by our Santa Clara County Ambassador Team. Thank you, Louise, Nik, Malia, and Kyle!! The feedback was so positive, we have already begun planning an event for October 2023.

Watch for the save-the-date in 2023!





4-H STEM Challenge - Explorers of the Deep!



The STEM Challenge is an annual 4-H initiative to provide access to STEM education for all kids. The month-long opportunity for kids to learn about STEM through high-quality, interactive activities takes place in October. 4-H has created STEM Challenge activities for the past 10 years, including Rockets to the Rescue in 2014 or Incredible Wearables in 2017.



ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH, THE SANTA CLARA COMPUTER SCIENCE PATHWAY TEAM HOSTED THE SIXTH ANNUAL STEM CHALLENGE EVENT. THIS YEAR'S THEME, EXPLORERS OF THE DEEP, FOCUSES ON THE MYSTERIES AND ADVENTURES OF OCEAN EXPLORATION—WITH ROBOTS! YOUNG PEOPLE LEARN TO USE SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH (STEM) TO EXPLORE EARTH'S OCEAN AND HOW IT RELATES TO ALL LIFE ON THE PLANET. DESIGNED BY RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, THE 2022 CHALLENGE HELPS YOUTH DEVELOP OBSERVATIONAL AND CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS WHILE EXPLORING THE CONNECTION BETWEEN HUMANS AND OUR OCEAN...



4-H STEM Challenge - Explorers of the Deep!

continued

This year youth rotated between three activities: Ocean Robot Test Tank, Ocean Expedition, and Ocean Communicator. These activities teach valuable lessons on aquaculture, climate change, innovation, human impact, and the ocean ecosystem. They also help youth understand the value of ocean exploration and learn to design and advocate for innovations and technical solutions that inspire public action.

Any volunteer, teacher, or club can order a STEM Challenge Kit that would provide materials and detailed instructions to lead a STEM Challenge event in their local area. All three activities are unplugged, meaning no computer is needed to teach the STEM concepts!

For more information, visit: https://4h.org/parents/4-h-stem-challenge/ or email us at 4hcsegooglegroups.com.





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HALLOWEEN DANCE

Fun was had by all the ghouls and ghosts that attended the County Ambassador's Halloween Dance at the fairgrounds! 4-H'ers of all ages came to show off their Halloween spirit and dance to the great music.







4-H Golden Clover Awards



Jack and Robert Clay Outdoor Adventure Award Recipients: Kai Wu & Dean Wu, Rolling Hills 4-H

Jack Clay and his son, Robert, were enthusiastically involved in the 4-H camping and outdoor adventure projects as leader and junior leader in Alameda County. Following their tragic accidental death in September 1987, family and friends established this memorial. This category may be awarded to either a member or a volunteer for 4-H work in camping and outdoor adventures including camping, fishing, hiking, shooting sports, rafting, climbing, GIS/GPS, snow skiing, and others. This category also includes outstanding achievement, leadership, and promotion of outdoor adventures.

Collaboration & Outreach Award

Recipients: Fe Moncloa, Susan Weaver, Laura Tiscareno, Eric Weaver, Alondra Uribe, Itzel Torres Uribe, & other partners for Nature Explorers Summer Day Camp.

This category may be awarded to a member, volunteer and/or group for increased public awareness of the 4-H Youth Development Program, involving new youth and adults in 4-H, reaching out to communities that have historically not benefited from 4-H, and creating partnerships with other youth development organizations.

Special Events and Activities Award

Recipient: As part of the Public Speaking Advisory Comm., Karyn Luke, Pleasant Acres

This category may be awarded to a member and/or volunteer for individual leadership roles within 4-H camps, conferences, and trainings. This category is awarded to a group for outstanding educational events or activities that involve youth-adult partnerships in planning and delivery, reach a wide array of youth, and strive to meet local needs.

Civic Engagement Award

Recipients: Nik Krause, Tejas Billa, Anna Clayton, Megna Nayar.

This category may be awarded to a member, volunteer, group and/or staff member for contributions that demonstrate living the definition of civic engagement; "Civic engagement means working to make a difference in the civic life of our communities and developing the combination of knowledge, skills, values and motivation to make that difference."



YOUTH SUMMIT





Educational Platform

THE 2023 EDUCATIONAL PLATFORM IS FOCUSED ON HELPING YOUTH IDENTIFY THEIR SKILLS, STRENGTHS, SPARKS/PASSIONS, PERSONAL CONNECTIONS, AND KNOWLEDGE THEY ALREADY HAVE IN THEIR TOOLBOX AND FINDING WAYS TO EXPAND THEIR TOOLBOX THROUGH MENTORS/ADVISORS, LEADERSHIP SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, WORKING IN DIVERSE TEAMS, INCORPORATE EXTERNAL RESOURCES, AND OTHER 4-H OPPORTUNITIES TO CONTINUE BUILDING THEIR TOOLBOX.

HTTPS://UCANR.EDU/YSR







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Teens as Teachers at Sacred Heart

DO REFLECT **APPLY**



Professional scientists, including physisists, engineers, and safety analysts, study all types of motion and implement technologies to keep us safe. They research and develop solutions to problems. These type of STEM careers are projected to be in high demand.



As part of the weekly afterschool 4-H enrichment program for Sacred Heart Community, students enjoyed learning by doing as they created Motion Commotion. Led by Teen Teachers, students explored the science of motion through the relationship of speed and stopping distance.





Senior Scholarships

The Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship

Awards 400 high school seniors who intend to study engineering, robotics, or computer science college scholarships. Scholars will receive \$40K for college and a guaranteed paid internship at Amazon following their freshman year.

Key info at-a-glance:

- Applications are now open and close on January 20, 2023.
- Eligible students must be planning to attend an accredited 4 or 2-year college and planning to study engineering, computer science, or other related fields of study.
- A \$40,000 scholarship is awarded at \$10,000 / year towards a 4-year degree.
- Other eligibility requirements apply. Please see amazonfutureengineer.com/scholarships for more details.

If you have questions about the program, please email <u>amazonfutureengineer@scholarshipamerica.org</u> directly.



Unique Scholarships

https://ucanr.edu/scholarships23

UC Scholarships and College Funding

https://ucanr.edu/ucscholarships



UC Statewide Guarantee

https://ucanr.edu/caguarantee



Leadership Overnight 2023



SAVE THE DATE FOR 4-H SUMMER CAMP!



4-H SUMMER CAMP 2023

CAMP DATES: JUNE 11 - JUNE 15 Camp Staff dates: June 10 - June 16

Watch for the Camp Staff applications coming soon!

Camper and Chaperone Applications will be released in April.

Overnight camp is held for Ages 9 - 18, in nearby Felton.

Cabin accommodations, meals, activities and t-shirts are included.



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4-H ACTIVITY TRACKER!



This app is created to aid 4-H members with the completion of the PDR section of the Record Book. It helps members keep track of the activities they participate in as well as all the relevant information for the activities.

LINKS

Apple: https://apps.apple.com/us/app/4h-activity-tracker/id1638522294 Android: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=edu.ucanr.activity_tracker_4h

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2023 Tech Interactive "Survive the Storm" Tech Challenge

SEVERE WEATHER AHEAD!

Storms are getting worse bringing strong winds that create danger and destruction. Can you use your engineering skills to defend against high wind conditions?

THE CHALLENGE:

Build a structure to protect vulnerable objects from extreme winds. Presented by

amazon

The Tech Challenge is a team engineering design challenge for Grades 4-12 in which participants design, engineer, build and document solutions to a real-world problem.

Showcase:

Saturday, April 29 and Sunday, April 30

CHECK OUT THIS GREAT OPPORTUNITY WITH THE TECH INTERACTIVE!

THE TECH CHALLENGE IS A TEAM ENGINEERING DESIGN CHALLENGE FOR GRADES 4-12 IN WHICH PARTICIPANTS DESIGN, ENGINEER, BUILD AND DOCUMENT SOLUTIONS TO REAL-WORLD PROBLEMS.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN GETTING A TEAM TOGETHER IN YOUR CLUB, CHECK OUT THE LINK ON THE NEXT PAGE.



Tech Challenge Continued



Go to thetech.org/techchallenge and check out these supporting events!

Supporting events

Info Clinics Team Workshops Adviser Trainings
Oct. 29
Nov. 5
Dec. 3
Jan. 21
Feb. 4
Feb. 11

Check the website for

event details.

Test Trials
Feb. 25
March 4
March 11
March 18
March 25
April 12
April 15
April 22
April 23

MAKE A DIFFERENCE - DONATE TO 4-H CAMP

MAKE A DIFFERENCE. DONATE TO 4-H CAMP

By donating to Santa Clara County 4-H Camp you make it possible to offer camp to the youth of Santa Clara County!



Designate Santa Clara County & add 4-H Camp to the comment box.





reduced fees

healthy meals camp supplies



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COUNTY FAIR 2023



We are excited to announce the dates for next year's Fair! The fair will be running for 10 days from July 26th through August 6th—closed on July 31st and August 1st. We will announce more information and opportunities very soon, so stay tuned!

<u>For updates,</u> <u>visit the Fair</u> <u>website here.</u>





Welcome to the 2022-2023 4-H Program Year!

Below are some links to some of the many resources available to assist 4-H members, volunteers and families to "make the best better" in 4-H.

- UC 4-H Guidebook for families: This guide is for ALL families in 4-H in California.
- 4-H Clubs in Santa Clara County: All clubs are meeting virtually at this time.
- Online Learning Resource Page: For 4-H families and community partners.
- CA 4-H Grown at Home: 4-H activities families can do from home, either online or offline.
- CA 4-H Virtual Toolbox: Guidance and Tips during the COVID-19 pandemic for current 4-H members, volunteers and families.
- 4-H Grows True Leaders: In 4-H, you can practice leadership skills in a variety of roles. Learn more about Leadership in 4-H.
- Project Sheets: Thinking about planning a project/activity? Here you will find great resources. To apply to lead a project, please view the project proposal page.
- 4-H Record Books: The 4-H program has a long history of record keeping. The focus reflects the importance of this life skill in our daily lives. Completing a 4-H Record Book is a process where you record project and club work using a standard format.
- 4-H Branding Toolkit: When creating event flyers, t-shirts or posters, this is handy info.
- Creating a 4-H Resume: A resumé is an opportunity to show your strengths, skills, talents and creativity. A 4-H resume is a way to keep track of your accomplishments.
- **Shop 4-H:** The official source for 4-H pins, record book covers, club supplies, apparel, and educational curriculum. When you shop with our link, 5% of your total purchases support California 4-H programs!





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http://http://cesantaclara.ucanr.edu/Youth Development

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