#### **4-H Volunteers Say:**

"We gain the pride and satisfaction of seeing young people mature into responsible adults"

"We develop personal skills in leadership goal setting, planning and communications."

"Volunteering in 4-H encourages family togetherness, communication and a stronger bond between family members."

"Volunteering is a great way to get acquainted with neighbors, make friends and develop your own talents. Opportunities unlimited."

"Volunteering-a rewarding experience."

"4-H has given me confidence in my own abilities."

"4-H is a way to extend a loving hand to our future generation. Volunteering is a way to stay young by working with youth."

4-H volunteer experiences are fulfilling-they just feel good."

#### Can We Count On You?

To volunteer, contact your County UW-Extension Office or Wisconsin 4-H Office, 328 Lowell Hall, 610 Langdon St., Madison, WI 53703; (608) 262-1221.

4-H is a joint program of the Cooperative Extension Service, University of Wisconsin-Extension; United States Department of Agriculture; and Wisconsin Counties.

# COUNT YOURSELF

## BECOME A Volunteer!

#### **Count Yourself In 4-H, Volunteer!**

Become part of the nation's largest youth organization. Join over 20,000 volunteers in Wisconsin and 600,000 nationwide.

Share your talents, some of your time, energy and enthusiasm in the Wisconsin 4-H program.



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### **COUNT THE** WAYS YOU CAN VOLUNTEER...

There are many exciting ways you can be part of 4-H and the University of Wisconsin. Local 4-H clubs and 4-H special emphasis groups need you and the county 4-H program offers other leadership opportunities for you. Following are some of the many ways you can "count yourself in 4-H."

#### Local 4-H Clubs Need:

**PROJECT LEADERS** who show young people how to make and grown things, teach new skills and have fun together with animals, art, gardening, nurtrition, photography, woodworking and other areas. Choose from over 50 projects or design your own!

ACTIVITY LEADERS who coach 4-H'ers in seasonal activities such as baseball, basketball, club trips, community service, drama, music and fund raising.

**ORGANIZATIONAL or GENERAL LEADERS** who guide the club, its officers and other volunteers in designing experiences to fit the interests of the club.

#### Local 4-H Special Emphasis Groups Need:

**GROUP LEADERS** who are involved with 4-H'ers for a short term. You share your special interest with young people who may or may not participate in a year-round 4-H club. Examples of successful special emphasis groups:

- Adventures in Dairyland, where urban children learn about agriculture in the classroom
- Shooting Sports, which combines safety and target shooting with rifles, pistols and archery
- Family Times, an at-home, fun program for the whole family.

#### **County 4-H Needs:**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS** who set program priorities; plan and conduct events like summer camp, horse shows and 4-H promotion in public places.

**RESOURCE or KEY LEADERS** who counsel and teach other volunteers how to help project members, advise club officers, and teach specific projects.

FAIR SUPERINTENDENTS who check in youth fair entries, assist the judges and arrange exhibits at the county fair.

COMMUNITY BACKERS AND FUND RAISERS who might get involved as judges for events, club speakers and financial contributors and fund raising at the local level.

#### What Do You Gain When You Count Yourself In 4-H?

- You gain the satisfaction of helping young people learn and grow.
- You develop skills that help you with your family and work
- You feel good about yourself
- You contribute to youth, your family, 4-H and the community
- You become part of the University of Wisconsin educational system
- You have fun!

#### What Do You Need To Count Yourself In 4-H?

- Desire to help young people
- Desire to share your skills and experiences
- Previous 4-H experience is not necessary

#### What You Can Count On When You Volunteer:

- University of Wisconsin-Extension faculty for materials, workshops and counseling
- A support network of other 4-H leaders for assistance
- Parents for encouragement, help at home and supplies