

Ohio County 4-H Case Story

The Ohio County 4-H Youth Development program has a chance to generate a positive change in our youth through a variety of learning experiences. The 4-H Camp program through the efforts of Ohio County 4-H Volunteers, camp staff, community members and professional extension staff provide these opportunities for Ohio County youth to experience the following objectives: (1) Acquire positive attitudes toward self and a feeling of self-worth. (2) Foster effective interpersonal relationships with adults and other youth. (3) Develop socially acceptable behavior, personal standards and values for living. (4) Cultivate abilities to perform as productive, contributing citizens. (5) Strengthen capacities to make intelligent decisions, solve problems, (6) Manage their own affairs in a fast-changing world and (7) Increase leadership capabilities.

The 4-H Camp programs develops skills that young people apply in a variety of home, school and community settings. Ninety-eight youth, teen and adult leaders attended the West Kentucky 4-H Camp in 2019. Survey results indicated. "Fifty one youth attended 4-H Camp for the first time" (54%). Eighy-five percent indicated that "I was responsible for my own self, belongings, was on time and was part of a team." (97%) "Revealed that "I felt good about something I accomplished at 4-H Camp." Ninety-nine percent stated that "I want to return to 4-H Camp."

The 4-H Camping Program fits all of the core content areas of the Kentucky 4-H Youth Development program (Agriculture, Family and Consumer Sciences, Healthy Living, Communications, Leadership, Natural Resources, and Science, Engineering and Technology. 4-H Camp assists young people in navigating their world while preparing them for workforce, civic, and family roles they will assume as self-directing, productive and contributing members of society. Ask an adult that has been to 4-H camp as a youth, and they will tell you that experience was one of the best memories of their childhood. Once a 4-H'er always a 4-H'er.

How Dollars Help Our Clients



\$100

\$100 could provide supplies for the outdoor cooking class where youth learn how to prepare and cook food over an outdoor grill. (Healthy Living Curriculum)

\$500

\$500 would assist in paying for a backpack that the youth at camp for clothes, money, etc. & 4-H camp t-shirts that the youth receive as a momento of their camp experience.

\$1,000

\$1000 would provide scholarships for Ohio County Youth to attend 4-H Camp. Each year approximately 80-90 youth attend 4-H Camp, this gift amount would allow a reduction in the camp fee for families to send their children to camp for the experience of a lifetime.