



4-H Scholarship Program

Iowa 4-H Foundation

The Iowa 4-H Foundation raises funds to finance, support, and strengthen 4-H and youth programs to meet the needs of Iowa young people. It is a nonprofit organization that uses private resources for its efforts to expand and enhance the Iowa 4-H program. The Foundation aids innovative programs for which tax dollars are not available.

The Iowa 4-H Foundation was formed in 1949. It currently funds the 4-H recognition programs, volunteer leader development, and 4-H afterschool programs; provides financial aid to youth for participation in 4-H camps and other events; and maintains the Iowa 4-H Center near Madrid.

Two of its fundraising efforts are the 4-H'ers for 4-H campaign and the 4-H donor recognition club. 4-H'ers for 4-H is a fund drive that began in 1970 and asks Iowa 4-H clubs to contribute \$2.00 per member, per year. In the past this money has met a \$40,000 pledge to the National 4-H Center building program and has supported the Iowa 4-H Center and the International Four-H Youth Exchange (IFYE) program. To promote and expand 4-H in Iowa, 4-H'ers for 4-H contributions currently support state project awards, intermediate 4-H programs, and the State 4-H Council to promote and expand 4-H in Iowa. 4-H donor clubs are for 4-H alumni and friends of 4-H. It offers an opportunity to individuals to contribute to current 4-H programs to benefit today's 4-H'ers. A 4H 400 pledge involves giving at least \$400 in a 1- to 10-year period (\$40 x 10 years = 4-H 400). Higher club levels include total gifts and pledges of \$1,000, \$4,000, and \$10,000.

4-H Scholarships

The Iowa 4-H Foundation has an extensive college scholarship program. Over 85 scholarships totaling nearly \$100,000 are awarded each year. Scholarships are available to Iowa 4-H'ers pursuing various fields of study at Iowa colleges and universities. Applications are available online (<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/grants.html>) or at county extension offices. All applications are due February 1 for the following school year.

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