



Pioneer Seed Grant – Information For Iowa 4-H Club Community Improvement Projects

We are pleased to announce that Pioneer is offering support for the Seed Grant Program for Iowa 4-H club community improvement projects.

Materials

The program is outlined online with the application and application tip sheet at, www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/pioneergrants. Contact Haley Jones at 515-294-2748 or hjones@iastate.edu, if you have questions.

Objective

To stimulate local 4-H clubs in Iowa to plan and carry out community improvement activities by providing “seed money” needed to make the projects successful.

Amount of Grant

Pioneer will provide up to \$5,000 to selected 4-H clubs in Iowa. Awards will be made directly to the clubs through the Iowa 4-H Foundation from Pioneer as soon as selections are made. Grants will range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500.

Application

Local clubs are asked to submit their application to the county Extension office by **January 16** (suggested county deadline). A county staff member must review all applications submitted from the county’s clubs, write appropriate comments where indicated, and sign below their comments.

Pioneer Seed Grant completed applications and support letters should then be sent to the State 4-H Office by **January 30, 2020** to: Pioneer Grants, 4-H Youth Development, Extension 4-H Youth Bldg-ISU, 1259 Stange Rd, Ames IA 50011-1002.

Award

Final decisions will be made by a committee of volunteers and staff members. All applicants should receive letters by mid-April. If awarded a grant, a check from the Iowa 4-H Foundation will accompany the letter. A copy of the letter will be sent to the adult leader and county Extension staff member named in the application.

Report

After the community service is complete, each club receiving a grant **must** submit a report. Details will be outlined in the award letter. Submit the report to the county Extension office no later than **October 11**. County Extension offices should then mail the reports to the State 4-H Office. Included in this report should be at least one photo of the activity, newspaper clippings, project details, and volunteer numbers as outlined in the award letter.

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