How can I help the Foundation?

- Spread the word about the Boone County 4-H Youth and the Boone County 4-H Foundation
- Raise funds for the Boone County 4-H Foundation
- Encourage memorial donations to the Boone County 4-H Foundation
- Consider the Boone County 4-H Foundation for tax-deductible donations and estate planning

Realizing the need of the Boone County 4-H Foundation for funds to strengthen their 4-H program, I (We) wish to become a donor for this organization, which helps the Boone County 4-H program offer a wide variety of educational and cultural experiences as well as tangible awards to 4-H members in the county.

I (We) understand:

- This gift is tax deductible

Thank you,

Rich Wrage, Boone County Education Director

Make check payable to: Boone County 4-H Foundation, Inc.

Send to:
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603 Story Street
Boone, IA 50036

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PURPOSE:
Organized to support and promote 4-H and ISU Extension programs in Boone County.

ORGANIZATION:
The Boone County 4-H Foundation is made up of businesses and individuals who share the belief that the Boone County 4-H program has a lot to offer the youth in this county through a wide variety of educational, cultural and social experiences. Approximately 200 active volunteer leaders and 410 4-H members receive direct benefits from the Foundation.

The fund was initially established in 1998 by a group of citizens that desired to establish long-term support for 4-H and ISU Extension programs in Boone County. The George T. Leonard estate provided the support to firmly establish the Boone County Fund. The Foundation has provided educational trips and tangible awards to 4-H members in the county to encourage their continued membership activity in the 4-H program. The Boone County 4-H Fund Board would like to consider requests to support such things as: the Washington, D.C. trip, 4-H membership fees, youth volunteer training, youth program development, support for Extension and youth programs.

It is agreed upon by this board that interest income can be spent with some invasion of the principle if a specific project warrants it. However, it is also the intent to maintain a balance in the fund for the long term. The fund is primarily to be used for educational and developmental purposes. It is discouraged to use this fund for buildings and structures unless so stipulated by a donor.

STATE CAMPS
The Foundation awards camp scholarships to 4-H’ers who attend a State 4-H Camp of their choosing.

CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS
Every two years the Foundation awards scholarships to 4-H’ers who want to be a participant on the Citizenship Washington Focus Trip. CWF is seven days and six nights of living near our nation’s capital, going on field trips to actual government and historical sites and units, discussions, talks, programs and parties, etc. The major focus of CFW is to help 4-H’ers better understand the structures and functions of American government at the national level and the delegates explore the roles and skills needed to become effective citizens.

INTERMEDIATE AWARD TRIP
Every year the central area plans a trip just for Intermediate 4-H’ers. They tour the twin cities exposing 4-H’ers to new surroundings and career possibilities. The Foundation awards a portion of the total cost of the trip for Intermediate 4-H’ers who apply.

CHICAGO AWARD TRIP
This trip is considered the top award that a 4-H’er can earn in Boone County. Senior members submit a one page story on “what 4-H has meant to me” for evaluation by the 4-H and Youth Committee. 4-H’ers are selected on their outstanding achievements and contributions to the 4-H program.

FRAN THOMPSON 4-H MEMORIAL AWARD
A coveted leader award in Boone County is given by Fran Thompson’s family in memory of her 26 years (1960-1987) as Office Assistant at the Boone County Extension Office. The award recognizes one adult 4-H volunteer who has given 4-H Youth and the 4-H program in Boone outstanding time, dedication, and service. The award (a plaque and $100 cash award) has been presented annually since 1987 at 4-H Awards Day. The Ed and Fran Thompson family also supports one 4-H Alumni Scholarship.

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FEE
A fee of $10 per 4-H member is collected statewide to support 4-H Youth programming including volunteer and staff training, project resource development, camping and activities such as State Conference and State Fair. Financial assistance with this fee by the Foundation is available upon request from any Boone County 4-H family.

BOONE COUNTY 4-H ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP
Intended to help former Boone County 4-H members finish their college education. The Boone County 4-H Foundation sponsors one of five $250 scholarships given to college students who have completed at least 50 semester hours and not yet earned a Bachelor’s degree.

GEORGE LEONARD MEMORIAL AWARD
This award recognizes one Boone County senior 4-H member who is hard working, who often helps in the background to support his/her club or project, and who is a positive example for other 4-H members.

NORTH CENTRAL REGION VOLUNTEER FORUM
Held each year in one of twelve states or three Canadian Provinces who are apart of the North Central Region. The three day forum includes keynote speakers, workshops, tours and a chance to meet 4-H volunteers with many different interests. The Foundation offers to pay $50 of the registration fee of any Boone County 4-H volunteer who attends the forum and brings ideas back to our county.