

## About Michigan 4-H

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Always heard of Michigan 4-H but not sure what it's all about?

Many people think 4-H is just for kids who live on farms or those interested in raising and selling animals – but that's not true! Offering a diverse range of topics and interest areas, 4-H is the largest youth development organization in Michigan. In fact, each year more than 200,000 young people, ages 5-19 explore what interests and excites them as they grow through Michigan 4-H. From program areas ranging from science and technology to clothing and textiles, and so much more, 4-H provides fun, educational opportunities that empower young people with skills to lead for a lifetime and become the foundation for future success. After all, true leaders aren't born: they're grown!

Based on the experiential learning model, youth in 4-H participate in specific program areas through the learn-by-doing approach. In addition to gaining valuable content knowledge, this model teaches 4-H members critical life skills such as goal-setting, self-discipline, conflict resolution and teamwork that directly contributes to the communities they live in. The growth of these life skills are just one of the many positive youth development outcomes that occur from youth's participation in 4-H and result in a direct impact on not only themselves but others youth interact with as well. 4-H clubs are the primary delivery model for 4-H programs and provide youth with unlimited opportunities for learning, relationship-building and fun. The previous \$20 participation fee, for each child enrolled in 4-H during the 2021-2022 program year is **WAIVED**. 4-H Cloverbuds are youth ages 5-7. 4-H youth members ages 8—19 are 4-Hers. As needed, The Village 4-H club partners with other 4-H leaders/clubs that specialize in specific animal and/or craft specialty areas.

Although youth 5 years of age as of Jan 1 are the youngest to formally join, The Village 4-H club welcomes youth 3—4 years of age with adult supervision. Please feel free to reach out to Ms. Bianca L. May aka Sis. May, The Village 4-H Club Administrative Leader Cell Phone 269-580-1786 or Email [ourfathersfamily@gmail.com](mailto:ourfathersfamily@gmail.com)



About The Village 4-H Club:

Supported by Our Father's Family Keeper Ministries, a IRC 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, when needed, transportation to/from the monthly meeting is available. Each 2nd Sunday(\*) monthly meeting includes a well balanced meal. General 4-H Meeting Itinerary

- ◇ 3:00—3:30 p.m. Light Meal
- ◇ 3:30—4:00 p.m. Youth led business meeting
- ◇ 4:00—5:00 p.m. Hands-On Activity

Meeting Location:

Vandalia Youth Center, 18035 W. State Street, 49095

(\*) Due to other holiday or event conflicts, our May and July meetings are on the 1st Sunday.