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MARYLAND 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



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“Once I got involved with 4-H, I became surrounded by a community that wanted me to succeed.” – *Olivia*

2020 ANNUAL REPORT 159,302 4-H youth and educational contacts
Making a splash with thriving youth and volunteers

MARYLAND 4-H PARTICIPATION & OUTCOMES

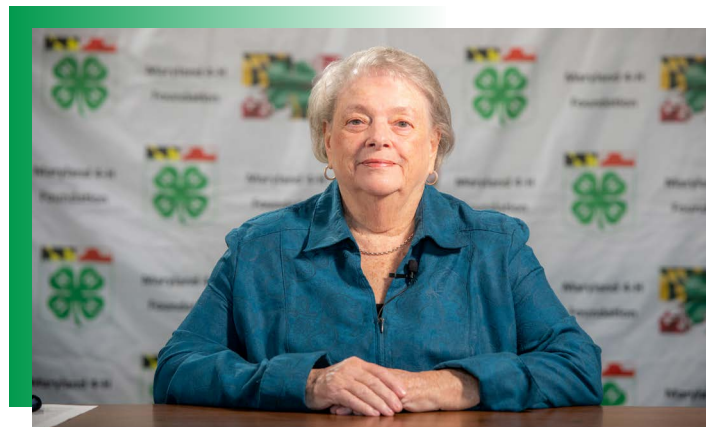
Together, we are growing thriving Maryland communities.



4-H Grows Maryland Youth

- 6,315 Community Club Youth
- + 8,382 4-H Youth in Outreach & Expansion Programs
- + 114,833 Contacts through 4-H Educator programs
- = **129,530** Youth & educational contacts through 4-H
- + 615 EFNEP
- + 29,157 SNAP ED
- = **159,302** Youth & educational contacts through UME

“During my time at 4-H Engineering camp, I discovered that my lifelong curiosity of how things work is a trait of an engineer. I am very excited for my next Journey at McDaniel College in the field of Physics and Engineering.”
– Grant



Martha Clark, Maryland 4-H Foundation President

Maryland 4-H Foundation Support

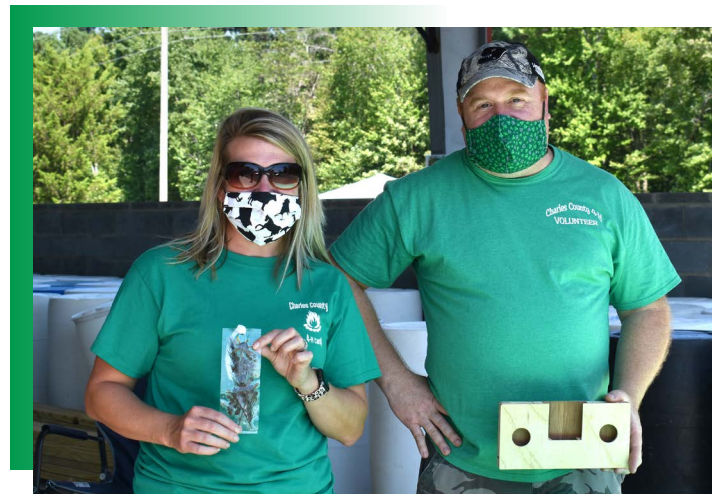
- \$364,663** in program support
- \$46,500** in scholarships
- \$49,520** in County and Club Program Grants

These numbers are based on the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020

Maryland 4-H Priorities:

- Building Community & Civic Engagement
- Developing Leadership Skills for Life
- Nurturing Social Empowerment & Resilience
- Improving College & Workforce Readiness
- Fostering Exploration & Creativity in Arts & Sciences
- Promoting Healthy Lifestyles & Self-Acceptance

“4-H has helped me see that being in the dairy business is what I want to do after college.”
– Charles



Volunteers at Charles County 4-H Drive Through Camp.

4-H Volunteers

Volunteers nurture youth sparks and allow 4-H Professionals to maximize local, state and federal resources.

2,690 Certified UME 4-H Volunteers reported serving an average of **37 hours** to the Maryland 4-H program, totaling over **99,530 hours** of service.

UME 4-H Volunteers' time valued at a **\$2.9M** contribution to the Maryland 4-H program.

Source: 4-H Online Enrollment System & Independent Sector \$29.51 per hour Maryland average (2018)

MARYLAND 4-H YOUTH THRIVE

Finding Youth Sparks



4-H youth and families find ways to help others throughout the pandemic by visiting a senior facility.

Growing Thriving Youth



Fairs provide opportunities for 4-H youth to exhibit their project accomplishments, demonstrate mastery, receive important recognition for their efforts, develop leadership and teamwork skills. Shows and exhibitions provide venues for youth to engage with expert judges, other people with similar interests, and the public.

- COVID-19 presented society with many new and unanticipated challenges in 2020; among the many events deeply affected were the summer county and state fairs and shows. With restrictions being placed on holding in-person activities during 2020, many 4-H exhibitions shifted to virtual and hybrid events. Despite challenges faced, **4-H faculty and staff, volunteers, fair boards and other partners, supporters, and youth members worked together** to provide positive

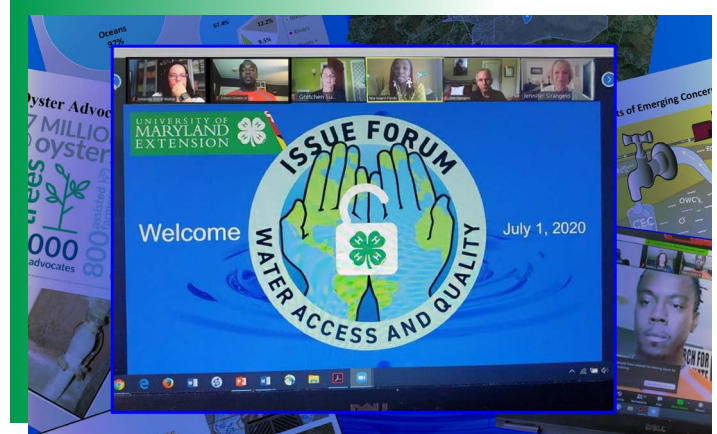
developmental outcomes for youth.

- **Maryland 4-H was selected to develop the 2021 National 4-H Ag Innovators Experience called Curbing Our Carbon Appetite.** Sponsored by the National 4-H Council and Bayer, Curbing Our Carbon Appetite will reach more than 7,000 youth across the country.
- Maryland 4-H has increased partnerships with STEM-focused organizations to heighten

Providing Quality Experiences

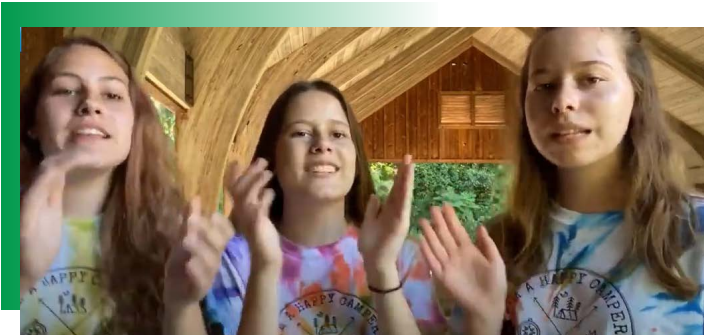


4-H Robotics Workshops: 16 videos totaling **3984** views



Youth learned about environmental justice with a focus on water access and quality.

Nurturing Healthy Relationships



Youth build positive relationships with their peers, adult volunteers, 4-H educators, and community.

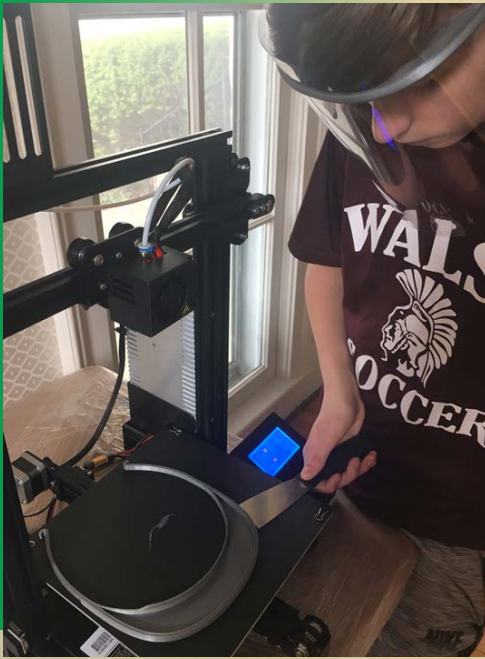
4-H's relevancy in the STEM fields, reach new youth audiences, and increase youth interest in STEM opportunities. Organizations include **NASA, local library systems, GEARS, the Capital Area Scouting**

Council, and Google.

- Maryland 4-H was awarded a **\$13K** grant from the National 4-H Council FOURward funds. Grant funds were used to host the virtual Social Justice Issue Forum and Camp in a Box!

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Service to others



4-H members at Bishop Walsh High School used their new 3D printer to create face shields for local healthcare workers.



Kids Growing with Grains has served over 1K youth in Maryland schools. Our local 4-H programs have hosted field trips, in-school programs and Bitmoji classrooms to learn more about grains, science, and nutrition!

To find your local 4-H program, visit
<https://extension.umd.edu/4-h/join-4-h>



Youth and Adult Partnerships workshop alongside adult volunteers.

4-H Pledge

I pledge my head to clearer thinking,
my heart to greater loyalty,
my hands to larger service,
and my health to better living,
for my club, my community,
my country, and my world.

Maryland 4-H Mission:

The Maryland 4-H Youth Development Program provides a supportive and inclusive setting for all youth to reach their fullest potential in a diverse society. Youth learn beneficial and cognitive life skills through community focused, research-based experiential education programs.

Maryland 4-H Vision:

Maryland 4-H aspires to be a recognized leader in youth development, inspiring youth and adults to learn, grow, and work together as a catalyst for positive change.

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