



VOLUNTEER VOICE

Maryland 4-H Volunteer Updates

July 2020

Please remember that 4-H in-person programs are suspended until July 31st. Information, expectations and training requirements for in-person programming will be released at the end of July.

<https://extension.umd.edu/4-h>



North East Region Volunteer Share Fair

Register to attend this volunteer networking session scheduled for this Thursday, July 16th at 7:00 pm.

<https://go.uvm.edu/4hshare>

Come to share and learn from others and their experiences staying connected with youth during this time of social distancing.



Volunteers United! 4-H Volunteer Development Opportunity

Volunteers United are one-day volunteer development events that will be offered this fall at county or cluster locations across the state. Designed to provide selected training topics by state presenters and hosted by field faculty and staff, Volunteers United! are intended for UME 4-H Volunteer, parents or any other adult who may benefit from the sessions. Each location will offer a youth and adult partnership focused session presented by members of the Maryland 4-H State Council and afternoon session(s) that vary and determined by the local 4-H Educator host.

Additional information will be sent out by July 1 and posted on: <https://extension.umd.edu/4-h/volunteers/training>. Registration will open August 1 and will have a staggered closing for one week before each date. Contact Jamie Morris with questions at jkenton@umd.edu.

Event locations and dates include:

October 3– Virtual- Baltimore County

November 7– Anne Arundel County

November 14– Western Maryland in Allegany County

November 21– Frederick County

December 12– Mid-Shore in Caroline County

Sessions subject to being transitioned to a virtual platform should this be required by health and safety protocols. Cost to change if transitioned.



Maryland 4-H Volunteer Refresher Training

The Volunteer Refresher training is now available! This training was created in response to requests from long serving volunteers for a “refresher” on volunteer expectations and supported by data from the 2019 Maryland 4-H Volunteer Needs Assessment where volunteers expressed a clear need for training on 4-H Program Management competencies. It is designed to “refresh” an individual’s knowledge and

understanding of volunteer and 4-H expectations and is intended to for those who have served for five or more years as of 2020 (on-boarded as a UME 4-H Volunteer in 2015 or earlier).

This training is available as a video that can accessed through the Volunteer Training webpage available at: <https://extension.umd.edu/4-h/volunteers/training>.

If you have served as a volunteer for 5+ years, please watch the video and submit the completion survey (accessible in the video) to complete your training. Your local 4-H Educator will be automatically notified when you submit the completion survey.

Contact your local 4-H Educator or Jamie Morris (jkenton@umd.edu) with any questions regarding the Volunteer Refresher training.

Maryland 4-H Volunteer Awards

Nominations for state volunteer awards are now open and available until September 30 at:

<https://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/maryland-4-h-volunteer-awards>

Maryland 4-H Volunteers’ Association Meeting

All UME Certified 4-H Volunteers, Faculty and Staff are invited to attend this monthly meeting with training opportunity. Join using the Zoom link below or call in on your phone:

Zoom link: <https://umd.zoom.us/j/94604103643>

Call in number: +13017158592,,94604103643# US (Germantown)

Thank you for your continued support of Maryland 4-H youth and the Maryland 4-H Program during these recent times of social distancing. Your efforts help youth to stay connected and engaged in positive youth development and create a sense of Belonging, an essential element!

Thank you for helping us Make the Best Better!