



Maryland 4-H Volunteer Voice

March 2017

True Leaders in Service

Celebrate National Volunteer Appreciation Month (April) by igniting a Spirit of Service in your club, community and county! This National 4-H initiative encourages 4-H members, clubs and programs across the state to find a way to serve their community from April 1 to April 29. The last Saturday in April has been designated as the National 4-H Day of Service.

Additional information, an event planning guide, toolkit and event registration are available at 4-H.org/true-leaders-in-service

Share your passion for 4-H, serve your community and grow your world by being a part of the 2017 True Leaders in Service!



4-H Forum Planning Committees

Plans for the 2017 Maryland 4-H Teen and Volunteer Forum are underway! Thank you to all who volunteered to serve in one of the Committee Tri-Chair Positions for each of the following committees: **Registration, Workshops, Hospitality, Speakers, Silent Auction and Share Fair.** The Tri-Chair model is comprised of three leaders who will work together to complete the directives of their committee and represent 4-H as a UME 4-H volunteer, 4-H faculty/staff member or a Maryland 4-H State Council member.

Opportunities will be available for other volunteers, faculty/staff and youth members to be involved in the committees as members and assist the committee with accomplishing their individual tasks and goals. Visit our website at <https://go.umd.edu/4hforum> for information about each committee. If you would like to volunteer to assist with a specific committee, send an email to md4hvolunteersassociation@gmail.com.

Maryland 4-H Teen and Volunteer Forum– November 17-19, 2017

“Know Your Impact on Today’s Youth and Tomorrow’s Leaders”



UME 4-H volunteers help our faculty and staff in providing the essential elements of the 4-H youth development program by being a positive and caring adult, as well as by creating an inclusive and safe emotional and physical environment.

Learn more about 4-H volunteering and how you can become a part of it at:

<http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/volunteers!>



Volunteer Opportunities

Maryland 4-H International Program Committee– senior age 4-H members and adults serve as grassroots ambassadors for the International Program initiative and assist with programs for inbound international youth during the summer months.

Contact: Brenda Mason at bmason@umd.edu

State Communications Contest– adults serve as judges for four speech categories including Radio Spot, Prepared Speech, Extemporaneous Speaking and Interpretations are needed to assist youth with their public speaking skills.

Contact: Sandy Corridon at corridon@umd.edu

Other State Level Volunteer Opportunities may be found at:

<http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/volunteers/volunteer-opportunities>



2017 Training and Important Dates

March 19, 2017– Maryland 4-H Volunteers' Association Meeting– Maryland 4-H Center

April 1, 2017–Maryland 4-H Robotics Challenge Training–WMREC (Washington County)
Registration at <https://go.umd.edu/2017roboticstraining>

April 21-23, 2017– Maryland 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop– Thendara 4-H Center
Registration deadline is **March 31st**: Contact your educator for more information.

April 29, 2017– Maryland 4-H Public Speaking Contest– University of Maryland, College Park

October 5, 2017– 7:00-8:30 PM– National 4-H Volunteer eForum
“Cultivating an Environment for Growing True Leaders”

November 2, 2017-7:00-8:30 PM–National 4-H Volunteer eForum
““STEM” ming into Animal Science, Growing True Leaders”

November 17-19, 2017– Maryland 4-H Teen and Volunteer Forum–Frederick, Maryland

December 7, 2017 at 7:00-8:30 PM–National 4-H Volunteer eForum-
“Helping 4-H'ers Grow in Life & Work”



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