

# The 4-H Young Alumni Spotlight

The Maryland 4-H Volunteers' Association has started a new initiative,  
*"The 4-H Young Alumni Spotlight."*

We will spotlight a 4-H young alumnus bi-monthly to highlight what they are currently doing and how 4-H has helped cultivate their interest, as well as assist in getting them to where they are today.

Anyone is welcome to nominate outstanding young alumni by filling out the link below:

<https://goo.gl/forms/FwKnJfOYmOu7Xnpp2>

All information will be shared on the Maryland 4-H Young Alumni Facebook page and in the Maryland 4-H Volunteer Voice.

Congratulations to our first outstanding 4-H young alumni nominee,

## Julie King

This month we would like to do a special spotlight, as well as a welcome to our new Young Alumni Liaison for the Maryland 4-H Volunteer's Association, Julie King.

Julie graduated in 2015 from the University of Maryland, College Park, where she majored in Hearing and Speech Sciences. She currently works for the USDA, Farm Service Agency (FSA) where she is able to help farmers and producers with the different programs that are offered through the FSA. 4-H greatly influenced her career as after she graduated she returned to her 4-H roots and the ag industry. She feels it is very important to be educated as consumers about our food choices and support farmers in their endeavors!

In 4-H, her primary project was working with sheep, but she also participated in other events at the county and state level. This included livestock judging, livestock skillathon and public speaking. Julie still even finds time to volunteer with the 4-H program and work with sheep as she is on the Fair Board and is chairman of the sheep show in Queen Anne's County. She is also a Maryland 4-H All-Star and tries to volunteer with not only her local but also the state program when she can!

Overall, 4-H has given her many positive and happy memories. Julie really enjoyed showing sheep and has been able to see firsthand, the life skills learned through her project work that are instilled, valued, and used everyday!

We are thrilled to have Julie join us as the new Young Alumni Liaison!