

## Meritorious Service Award Criteria

### Description

This award recognizes 4-H volunteers who serve as a positive influence in the lives of Ohio 4-H members and have a wide range of service and contributions to 4-H on primarily the club and/or county level.

### Nomination and Selection Criteria

All current adult 4-H volunteers are eligible who:

- are current active adult 4-H volunteers.
- have at least 10 years of adult volunteer service to 4-H.
- are actively involved in 4-H primarily on the club and/or county level.

Up to three recipients will be selected statewide and will be presented with their award at the Ohio 4-H Volunteer Recognition Luncheon which is part of the Ohio 4-H Conference.

### Information to be included in application

1. In approximately 300 words or less for each response, please address the following:
  - a. Describe the accomplishments of this nominee during their service to 4-H.
  - b. Describe the impact on the lives of 4-H members and on the 4-H organization.
  - c. Describe what is different, special or unique about this volunteer.
2. 4-H committees and boards with which they have been involved.

*Note: No additional pages of information, photos, and/or news clippings should be included.*

3. Attach two letters of recommendation/support from two additional sources other than the nominator:
  - a. Current 4-H member or 4-H Alumni
  - b. Current or former 4-H volunteer
  - c. Community leaders

### Award and Presentation Details

An "Award Announcement Letter" listing the award recipients, will be sent to County Extension Offices in early February. Extension professionals can then personally notify award recipients.

Award recipients will receive personal invitations to the Ohio 4-H Volunteer Recognition Luncheon directly from the State 4-H Office in early February. Each award recipient will receive an award during the luncheon at the Ohio 4-H Conference.

## Meritorious Service Award Application Cover Sheet

**Due: December 1**

Name of Nominee:

Address:

County:

City/state/zip code:

Email:

Phone:

Has nominee received this award before?

Is nominee currently involved in Ohio 4-H?

If yes, what type of involvement (e.g. club leader, school volunteer, etc.)?

Years of 4-H volunteer work:

Name of Nominator:

Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

County:

Email:

Phone:

*Once the application is submitted, the county 4-H professional will be notified to approve this nomination.*

**Send or e-mail nominations to:**

Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center  
Amy Barr  
2201 Fred Taylor Drive  
Columbus, Ohio 43210  
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b. Describe the impact on the lives of 4-H members and on the 4-H organization.

c. Describe what is different, special or unique about this volunteer.

2. Identify the committees and boards with which this individual has been involved.