



# KENT COUNTY 4-H

## CLUB DIRECTORY

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**HEAD**



**HEART**



**HANDS**



**HEALTH**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN THE KENT COUNTY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. IN THE KENT COUNTY CLUB DIRECTORY, YOU WILL FIND CLUBS GEOGRAPHIC LOCATIONS AND A LISTING OF THE PROJECTS THAT THEY ARE MOST HEAVILY INVOLVED IN.

## HOW DO I START?

### JOIN AN EXISTING CLUB:

CONTACT THE CLUB LEADER DIRECTLY VIA EMAIL TO SEE IF THAT CLUB WILL BE A GOOD MATCH FOR YOUR FAMILY. NOT ALL CLUBS OFFER ALL PROJECTS. FIND A CLUB THAT OFFERS LEADERSHIP IN THE PROJECT AREA THAT MEETS YOUR INTERESTS.

### START YOUR OWN CLUB:

ALL YOU NEED IS 5-10 KIDS AND 2 ADULT VOLUNTEERS TO ORGANIZE THE CLUB. CHOOSE THE AREAS OF INTEREST AND MEETING TIMES. OUR 4-H STAFF WILL HELP YOU GET STARTED. IN ORDER TO BECOME A VOLUNTEER, YOU MUST APPLY AT [MSU.SAMARITAN.COM](http://MSU.SAMARITAN.COM)

### DECIDE ON A PROJECT:

THERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT PROJECT AREAS FOR 4-H MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN. WHETHER YOUR AREA OF INTEREST IS ANIMAL BASED, AGRICULTURE, PHOTOGRAPHY, SCIENCE, OR EVEN THEATRE. THE SKY IS THE LIMIT AND YOU ARE ONLY RESTRICTED BY YOUR IMAGINATION.

### ENROLL IN 4-H ONLINE:

MICHIGAN 4-H USES 4-H ONLINE TO MANAGE MEMBER ENROLLMENTS. YOU CAN FIND THE WEBSITE AT [MI.4HONLINE.COM](http://MI.4HONLINE.COM). IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT ENROLLING, PLEASE CONTACT THE EXTENSION OFFICE FOR HELP. WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU AND ENROLLING YOUR FAMILY AS 4-H MEMBERS!



## COUNTY CLUBS

CLUB NAME	LOCATION	LEADER/CONTACT	PROJECT AREAS
4-H AMERICAN SEWING GUILD (SUMMERS ONLY)	GRAND RAPIDS	SAMANTHA BLOOM GOVENSAM@MSU.EDU	SEWING
A CANTERING COMMOTION	MIDDLEVILLE	AMANDA BARNES AMBARNES32@GMAIL.COM	EXPRESSIVE ARTS, CLOTHING & TEXTILE, CULINARY ARTS, HORSES
ADA ADVENTURES	ADA	MARY ELLEN DUFFY MED@IPCBILLING.COM	RABBITS & CAVIES
A STEP AHEAD	SARANAC	JULIE KLEIN JAK7411@AOL.COM	EXPRESSIVE ARTS, CLOTHING & TEXTILES, CULINARY ARTS, HORSES, SWINE
CLOVERLEAF CREW 4-H	BYRON CENTER	MEGAN LENHART MLENHART630@GMAIL.COM	CLOTHING & TEXTILES, CULINARY ARTS, EXPRESSIVE ARTS
COUNTRY COWBOYS	SPARTA	CATHY & MIKE NITSCHKE CAMNITSCHKE@COMCAST.NET	BIRDS & POULTRY, CLOWNING, DOGS, GOATS, HORSES, RABBITS & CAVIES, SHOOTING SPORTS
COUNTY LINE	LOWELL	MICHELLE MEYERS SHILLO2010@HOTMAIL.COM	HORSES
DOG SPORTS	ALTO	PAT FRANCKOWIAK SANDEX@COMCAST.NET	DOGS

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CLUB NAME	LOCATION	LEADER/CONTACT	PROJECT AREAS
HOMESTEADERS OF KENT COUNTY	LAKE ODESSA	JENNIE ORANTES JENNIEORANTES@GMAIL.COM	BEEF. DAIRY CATTLE. SWINE
LEATHER N' LACE	ROCKFORD	MARCI DEVRIES MARCIDEVRIES@EQUESTCENTER.ORG	HORSES, HORSELESS PROJECTS, THERAPEUTIC RIDING
MAKING STRIDES	BYRON CENTER	JILL HAAGSMA MAKINGSTRIDES4H.KENT@GMAIL.COM	HORSES
MILKY WAY 4-HERS	LOWELL	RENEE McCUALEY TUMBLEWEEDCOWS@COMCAST.NET	BEEF. DAIRY CATTLE. SWINE
NORTH KENT 4-H'ERS	CEDAR SPRINGS	JOHN LUND FARMERJOHNLUND@YAHOO.COM	RABBITS
NORTH KENT LIVESTOCK	ROCKFORD	KRISTIN PEREZ AKPEREZFAMILY@GMAIL.COM	BEEF. BIRDS & POULTRY. CLOTHING & TEXTILE. CULINARY ARTS. EXPRESSIVE ARTS. DAIRY CATTLE. GOATS. RABBITS & CAVIES. SHEEP
PERFECT PARTNERS	ADA	KRISTI ROZEBOOM KROZE@SBCGLOBAL.NET	BIRDS & POULTRY. CLOTHING & TEXTILE. CULINARY ARTS. EXPRESSIVE ARTS. GOATS
RAINBOW RIDERS	LOWELL	RYANNE MONDRY RYANNEMONDRY@GMAIL.COM	HORSES

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REGAL RIDERS	LOWELL	JANNA SIKMA JANNA.SIKMA@GMAIL.COM	HORSES
SHOWCASE RIDERS	CALEDONIA	ALEISHA MILLER ALEISHA.MILLER@GMAIL.COM	HORSES
SILVER SPURS	ROCKFORD	AFTON MERRITT	HORSES
SPARTA LIVESTOCK	SPARTA	KRISTI CAINE RAISIN5CAINES@GMAIL.COM	BEEF. BIRDS & POULTRY. DAIRY CATTLE. CLOTHING & TEXTILE. CULINARY ARTS. EXPRESSIVE ARTS. GOATS. RABBITS & CAVIES. SHEEP. SWINE
TOP GUNS	GRAND RAPIDS	STANTON TANG STANTONTANG@YAHOO.COM	SHOOTING SPORTS. RIFLE, PISTOL

## COUNTY CLUBS WITH WAITING LISTS

CLUB NAME	LOCATION	LEADER/CONTACT	PROJECT AREAS
BIT BY BIT	CALEDONIA	KAREN KOOIENGA HATHAWAY EGANACRES@AOL.COM	HORSES
BLUE RIBBON RIDERS	SARANAC	NICOLE RINKS N_RINKS@YAHOO.COM	HORSES
BOONDOCKERS 4-H	LOWELL	KATIE FOLEY KFOLEY1018@GMAIL.COM	BEEF. BIRDS & POULTRY. CLOTHING & TEXTILE. CULINARY ARTS. DAIRY CATTLE. SHEEP. SWINE
DREAM RIDERS	ROCKFORD	HELEN TICHELAAR HTICHELAAR121@GMAIL.COM	HORSES
PLATINUM RIDERS	LOWELL	JESSICA FORD JBOUMAN13@GMAIL.COM	HORSES
TRAILS AND TAILS	LOWELL	CORY STULL MSCORYJOL@MSN.COM	CLOTHING & TEXTILE. CULINARY ARTS. EXPRESSIVE ARTS. HORSES. RABBITS & CAVIES
WORKING PAWS	LOWELL	GAIL RODERICK GAILKSRP@AOL.COM	DOGS



## ARE YOU A PARENT OR FAMILY MEMBER INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

VOLUNTEERS ARE SCREENED FOR SAFETY, THEN MAY ACT IN MANY ROLES. WHETHER HELPING TO CHAPERONE AN EVENT ONCE A YEAR OR HOSTING A CLUB EVERY WEEK, THERE IS A VOLUNTEER ROLE TO FIT YOUR NEEDS. MICHIGAN 4-H PROVIDES SEVERAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND CURRICULA TO SUPPORT VOLUNTEERS. APPLY TO VOLUNTEER AT: [HTTPS://MSU.SAMARITAN.COM/CUSTOM/502/VOLUNTEER\\_HOME](https://msu.samaritan.com/custom/502/VOLUNTEER_HOME)

### VOLUNTEER ROLES:

- 4-H CLUB LEADER
- 4-H CLOVERBUD LEADER
- 4-H CHAPERONE
- 4-H PROJECT LEADER
- 4-H AFTERSCHOOL VOLUNTEER
- 4-H SPIN CLUB VOLUNTEER

**VOLUNTEERS ARE THE BACKBONE OF OUR ORGANIZATION!**