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Home Ec. Field Day provides youth who participate in any 4-H food project the opportunity to test their skills. In addition to entering a food item they have prepared, members may also take part in the table setting contest, nutritional workshops and games, and the Nutrition (Nut) Bowl event. The event is progressive and you enter by the year in which you are participating in a food project. You will determine the year you are by what year in cooking you are currently enrolled in. (For example you just finished your first year in cooking, and are starting your second; you are a second year cooking member.) You can find more detailed information you will need to follow within the various categories on the Home Ec. Field Day General Information book (Favorite Foods Book). This book can be found on our county website in the events page at: http://cekern.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/4-H_Events/.

ALL entries MUST have a table setting. (It does not have to be themed to match your food dish, unless you are choosing to enter in the optional ‘Themed Category’). It is also mandatory that members include their recipe card and their menu planning sheet with their entry. These forms are available for download on our county website!

**Years in Food: (circle)**

1st year- Fruit or Vegetable

2nd year – Grain Dish

3rd year – Dessert or Appetizer

4th year – Meat or Bean Dish

5th year & Above – Whole Meal

The entries for this year will all be done online. To enter go to this link:

https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19596

ENTRIES MUST BE **RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 17, 2017!!!**

When feasible, all efforts are to be made to encourage and provide reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities in 4-H Youth Development Program activities. Individuals who need to request special accommodations in order to participate in 4-H sponsored events and activities please contact the UCCE Kern Office at 661-868-6200.
Share YOUR Talents With Us!!!

We are currently recruiting judges for our county 4-H events!

We need volunteer judges for Home Economics Field Day and Presentation Day.

We need YOUR help finding and signing up judges!

If you have individuals who are willing to serve, please have them visit the link below and enter their contact information.

https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=16313
Kern County 4-H STEM Trainings!

There will be a series of three 4-H STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) trainings at the UC Extension Office for 2017. The trainings are free and available to volunteers and teen leaders who would like to lead these projects in their club. You must pre-register online for these classes by the deadline. All three programs utilize curriculum from National 4-H Council and all sessions are hands-on. The link to enroll for each session is located next to the title below.

- **Saturday, March 4, 2017** 9:00 a.m. – noon   **Junk Drawer Robotics – registration link**
  [https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19599](https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19599)  (You must register for this event by February 24, 2017)

- **Saturday, April 1, 2017** 9:00 a.m. – noon   **The Power of Wind – registration link**
  [https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19600](https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19600)  (You must register for this event by March 24, 2017)

- **Saturday, May 6, 2017** 9:00 a.m. – noon   **Aerospace and Aviation (Rocketry) – registration link**
  [https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19601](https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19601)  (You must register for this event by April 28, 2017)

SHOOTING SPORTS

Shooting Sports Leaders – Save the Date!

The California 4-H Shooting Sports Committee has scheduled a state meeting of California 4-H Shooting Sports leaders and those interested in shooting sports for **Saturday and Sunday, February 25 & 26, 2017**. The meeting will be held at Safety First Shooting Association in Winton, CA (Merced County). Topics to be covered include program updates, best practices, safety, and other information of interest to the shooting sports community. The program is open to teen leaders as well. More information will follow. This will be the first of several meetings the Committee would like to hold in different regions across the state. If you would like a meeting hosted closer to your region, please let us know. We would require an area that has a classroom and range facility next to each other.

4-H Shooting Sports Workshop
Rifle Discipline
Bakersfield, CA

**Saturday, March 18, 2017 – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**
**Sunday, March 19, 2017 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at the UC Cooperative Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue in Bakersfield. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course or receive more information, contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucanr.edu
On December 17th, members of Premier 4H had the honor of assisting in the wreath laying ceremony at the National Cemetery in Bakersfield. This was their third year attending this event. It is something that the members and their families look forward to every year.

4-H members from Greater Tehachapi 4-H, Rio Del Norte 4-H, Sierra Mountaineers 4-H, and West Bakersfield 4-H representing Kern County 4-H Shooting Sports at a fundraising event at Five Dogs Range.
Dear Kern County 4-H Families:

Chris Herschberger from the Bakersfield Condors is offering tickets to the upcoming Condorstown Outdoor Classic and coinciding alumni game for all Kern County 4-H members and their families and friends. The games will be on Friday January 6th @ 6pm (Alumni Game) and Saturday January 7th (6pm) and will be located out at Memorial Stadium at Bakersfield College. If you purchase a ticket you get automatic admittance to the alumni game, which will be featuring Luc Robetaille of the LA Kings and Wayne Gretzky of the Oilers! If purchasing tickets is something of interest please feel free to use the online link on the flier (attached) or call Chris directly at 661-324-7825 ext. 209.

Kern County 4-H - Outdoor Classic Night!

All Kern County 4-H Club members, their families and friends are invited to join us on Saturday January 7th for the first ever Condorstown Outdoor Classic!

BONUS: Every ticket will get you into our celebrity game the day before feature Wayne Gretzky and Luc Robitaille!

Seating Level

- P1 (Section C/R)
- P2 (Section B/D/O/R & upper level chair backs)
- P3 (Section A/E/F/N/P/T)

Group Rate

- $65 (normally $67)
- $40 (normally $47)
- $30 (normally $37)

(Tickets must be purchased in advance. Prices will not be honored after deadline or at the box office. Tickets subject to availability, place your order early!)

Name: ____________________________  E-mail: ___________________________
Contact#: (_____):______________  Troop: ___________________________

Number of Tickets: _____ X $65.00 P1 (Orange) = $________

$40.00 (Navy) = $________

$30.00 (Light Blue) = $________

TOTAL = $________

Credit Card #:______________  Exp: __________  CV2 (security code on card)__________

Make all checks payable to Bakersfield Condors

Amex, Discover, MasterCard and Visa accepted

Please return this form with payment no later than Wednesday January 4th

Mail To: Bakersfield Condors

P.O. Box 1806
Bakersfield, CA. 93303

OR

Fax credit card order to 661-324-6929

Phone orders contact Chris Herschberger @ 324-7825 x209.

Online Ticket Sales will close at 12PM on Wed. January 4th

Order Online by clicking:

https://condors.isportstix.com/order/group/KC4HOCN/
**UC Davis Field Day**

The UC Davis, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences Field Day will take place **March 3-4, 2017** at UC Davis. This field day is open to both FFA and 4-H members. 4-H members may compete in any of the contests offered. Please note that the Livestock Judging, Poultry Judging and Dairy Judging contests are considered State qualifiers to attend the National events.

**Registration Deadlines**

- **December 2nd** - Online Registration opens.
- **February 3rd** - Online Registration Deadline - Payments must be postmarked by this date. A $25 late fee for payments postmarked after this date will be enforced.
- **February 10th** - Agriscience Fair and Job Interview materials due.
- **February 10th** - Online registration closed - Late registrations will no longer be accepted.

To register your team, please follow the instruction included in the attached letter.

For more information about the event, please visit: [http://www.caes.ucdavis.edu/connect/events/field-day](http://www.caes.ucdavis.edu/connect/events/field-day)

**Information on State Qualifiers**

**Livestock Judging**

There are three National 4-H Livestock Judging Contests. The first place team (composed of the top placing team at the State 4-H Livestock Judging Qualifier) may select which contest for which they will represent California. The second place team may select next, and the third placing team may select third. California 4-H does not need to send a team to all of the contests.


For more information about the State qualifier, please visit: [http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/STEM/SET_Projects/Animal/SLJC/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/STEM/SET_Projects/Animal/SLJC/).

**Dairy Judging**

To view contest rules and regulations, please see [California State 4H Dairy Contest Rules](http://www.caes.ucdavis.edu/connect/events/field-day).

The top placing 4-H team in the Dairy Judging contest is eligible to represent California at the official National 4-H Dairy Judging competition as part of the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin. The Expo is a five day event showcasing the finest in dairy genetics and the newest technologies available to the dairy industry. For more information about the National contest, please visit [http://www.worlddairyexpo.com/](http://www.worlddairyexpo.com/)

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**Poultry Judging**

The top placing 4-H team in the Poultry Judging contest is eligible to represent California in the official National 4-H Poultry Judging competition in Kentucky. [http://national4hpoultryandegg.psu.edu/judging.html](http://national4hpoultryandegg.psu.edu/judging.html).

For more information about the State qualifier, please visit: [http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/STEM/SET_Projects/Animal/SLJC/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/STEM/SET_Projects/Animal/SLJC/).
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**WRLF 2017**

March 16-18, 2017
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Workshop proposals are currently being accepted through July 15, 2016. Adult volunteers, teens and extension staff are welcomed to submit proposals and will have an equal opportunity to be chosen. Click on the link [WRLF 2017 - Call for Workshop Proposals](#) for information on the submission process and required forms.

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**4-H Online Record Book Updates**

The 4-H Online Record Book (ORB) continues to grow in popularity among 4-H members ([check out the ORB Satisfaction Survey Results](#)) and we are continuing to grow and expand the features in the system. If you have questions regarding how to use ORB, an idea to improve the system or are experiencing a glitch, please use the [ORB Request form](#) to share with the ORB Support Team.

Have a group of people interested in learning how to use the ORB system? You can bring in the ORB Internet Café Training to your county. These 3 hour trainings have been a popular way to get people excited about ORB and on the path to successful online record book keeping. For more information about how you can bring this workshop to your county, [click here](#).
Communications & Marketing

Now we’re starting the Share Campaign:

#4Hgrown – we’re asking alumni to share their stories on social media about how the 4-H pledge is relevant in their lives today. They can also submit their stories to be featured on the National 4-H website: 4-H.org

Thank you for participating in the Grow True Leaders campaign! We just got results to share from National 4-H:

• >2.6 million reach through the Thunderclap • 188,000 #TrueLeaders Shout Outs nationwide – keep it going
• 15,000 new alumni signups • 685 million overall reach

The State Leadership Conference Planning Team is hard at work planning for conference. SLC a leadership conference for 4-H youth ages 13-19. The 2017 SLC will be held at UC Davis on July 20-23, 2017. If you are a recent 4-H alumni consider applying to be a Program Assistant please take a look at Program Assistant Page for more information on PAs. For more information on SLC check out the SLC Event Page on the state website.

Important SLC Dates:
Week of February 7th: SLC registration is open
Week of April 3rd: SLC Early Bird Registration ends
Week of May 23rd: SLC Regular registration ends
July 20-23: State Leadership Conference

Bovine Genetics from UC Davis

For those of you involved in dairy cattle, or if you have an interest in animal science, you may enjoy this short information video regarding the work of a UC Davis genetics scientist.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p3_zAlNps1k&feature=youtu.be

Scholarship & Award Opportunities

Scholarship Guide—Hispanic and Latino Students New Scholarship guide available specifically for Hispanic and Latino students. Also see listing of useful scholarship and financial resources.

Diamond Clover Award—This is the highest achievement for which a 4-H youth member is recognized. All youth members who achieve the requirements are eligible to receive this award. Awardees receive the California Diamond Clover Pin or Necklace Charm, a certificate and a recognition letter. Applications are accepted year-round. Applications are reviewed by the 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee and awarded quarterly. Find more information here.

2017 National 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest- “How can MP3 (Managed Pollinator Protection Plan) more effectively protect honey bees from pesticide exposure?” Eligibility. Contest is open to active 4-H Club members only. 4-H’ers who have previously placed first, second, or third at the National level are NOT eligible; but other state winners are eligible to re-enter. For more details and an overview of the contest rules you can click here! Please submit an electronic copy to Elina L. Niño at elnino@ucdavis.edu by January 27, 2017 at 5PM PST or contact her for questions at 530-500-APIS.

Awards:
First Prize: $750.00
Second Prize: $500.00
Third Prize: $250.00

2016-2017 World of 7 Billion Student Video Contest - Submission Deadline February 23, 2017

This year’s challenge: Students will create a short video (up to 60 seconds) about human population growth that highlights one of the following global challenges: Climate Change, Ocean Health, Rapid Urbanization

The contest is open to all high school and middle school students (6th -12th grade) worldwide. For more information see: contest flyer to provide even more information on the contest as a teaching resource.
Management Board updates

Open invitation: CA 4-H State Management Board Meetings
Want to find out what is happening in 4-H? Do you have a topic you want to see discussed? The State Management Board will meet in Davis on the following dates in 2017:

- Saturday, February 18th
- Sunday, April 30th
- Saturday, June 10th
- Saturday, August 19th

You can attend in person or call in. Mark these dates on your calendar and check for details closer to the meeting dates.

Sue Garcia, Secretary, CA 4-H State Management Board

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4-H Alumni Wanted

The University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR) is investing in a partnership with National 4-H and 27 other states to help strengthen our brand through updated marketing materials and campaigns (the 4-H Grows Here branding and the True Leaders Campaign are examples). One of the important outcomes is to identify and engage 4-H alumni as volunteers. UC ANR is inviting all California 4-H Alumni & Friends to sign up to stay engaged in 4-H. We ask that you encourage any alumni you know to sign up – the link is https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CA4HALumniandFriends-Detail. They will be provided with a menu of ways they can stay engaged with 4-H, from contacting their local county to see how they can volunteer at events like Presentation Day, to doing something more at the state level like applying to be a Program Assistant at SLC. Please share this link.

Attention!! Do you have experience doing voice over work and want to share your skills with CA 4-H? Maybe you have a passion for radio or voice work and are looking for an opportunity to use your skills and passion. We are currently looking for 4-H adult volunteers and youth members who would be willing to be voice talent for the online courses that we are developing. If interested, please contact Scott Mautte at the 4-H state office or click on the microphone.
4-H State Cooking Competition - at the California State Fair JULY 25th

July may seem far way, but it's the season for cooking! 4-H members 9 and older are invited to participate in the 4-H State Cooking Competition at the California State Fair. In preparation for this event we suggest Project Leaders use the Cooking 101 curriculum (available here: Cooking 101 curriculum). Teams will consist of 3 youth members and will compete at a self-selected level of Beginner, Intermediate, or Advanced levels. See division descriptions below.

Divisions:

Beginner: Beginner teams will prepare one healthy main entree dish. Beginner teams will use predetermined and pre-approved recipes and are not required to incorporate a secret ingredient. Each team will have 15 minutes to gather items from the pantry, and then 60 minutes to cook their dish. A panel of judges will taste and determine the winning team!

Intermediate: Intermediate teams must prepare a healthy three course meal consisting of an appetizer, entrée, and dessert using provided recipes. They are required to incorporate a secret ingredient. Each team will have 15 minutes to gather foods from the pantry, and then 60 minutes to cook a three course meal. A panel of judges will taste all courses prepared and determine the winning team!

Advanced: Advanced teams must prepare an appetizer, main course, and dessert without the use of recipes. Cookbooks are not allowed for Advanced competitors. All dishes must incorporate a secret ingredient that will be revealed at the competition. Each team will have 15 minutes to prep and then 60 minutes to cook a three course meal. A panel of judges will taste all courses prepared and determine the Champion!

Notes:

- Each team may bring one tool to use during competition.
- Each team must wash their dishes and return them after competition.

Limited spots are available, so if you would like to participate in the 2017 4-H Cooking Competition start preparing now using 4-H Cooking 101 and plan to register for team here: https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19404

Happy healthy cooking!
Anne

Other Updates

State Fashion Revue 2017, “The Road to Fashion”| Saturday, May 27, 2017 during State Field Day at UC Davis. SFR service projects for 2017 are Cancer Heart Pillows and quilt squares for Quilts of Honor. 4-H members are invited to sew the heart pillows and quilt squares at home, at project meetings and at county events. Get together with your friends and learn more about the American Cancer Society, cancer hospitals, and Quilts of Honor. See the flyers on the SFR website for patterns, directions, how to donate, and who to contact with questions. The Cancer Heart Pillows can be distributed in local communities or brought to SFR. The quilt squares or quilt tops are brought to SFR where they will be sorted by pattern then donated to the Quilts of Honor volunteers who will finish the quits. They are presented to veterans during honor ceremonies. Your thoughtful donations will touch the lives of many. The State Fashion Revue event has five categories for 2017. Members qualify in their home counties to enter in Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased $40 limit, Upcycled, and the two challenge categories - Stripe/Print/Plaid Challenge and the Knit Challenge. Please review the category rules and general SFR policies on the website. If you have questions, contact Sue Moore, SFR Registrar.

Gift Certificate Program- Don’t know what to get that 4-Her in your life for the holidays or a birthday or just because? How about a Gift Certificate for a Statewide Conference?
Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM)

New STEM Highlights
Do you have an awesome STEM program or STEM project in your county that you wish to share with the rest of California 4-H? If so, we would love to share your STEM program/project in our monthly newsletter. Please send a short description of your STEM program/project along with a picture and link, if available, to ca4h@ucanr.edu. This will be a great opportunity to showcase what is going on in your county in regards to STEM! Please submit entries by January 9th, 2017.

Learn to make Kid-Friendly Elephant’s Toothpaste!
Here is a fun experiment where you can learn about chemical reactions using simple ingredients you can find in your home and at your local beauty supply store. In this project, youth will learn about chemical reactions, such as exothermic reactions, and the importance of using a catalyst (a helper) in reactions. This will be an EXPLODING experiment! For a step-by-step tutorial please click here ***Adult supervision required***

Healthy Living

Southern Area 4-H Healthy Living Summit | January 14, 2017, 12:00 - 4:00 PM
Join us for the second Healthy Living Summit, where participants will get a hands-on learning experience in different ways to promote a healthier lifestyle and incorporating healthy living into their 4-H projects, clubs, and events. This free event will be held at the Presbyterian Church of the Covenant, 2850 Fairview Road, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. All 4-H members, volunteers, staff, and their families are welcome to participate. To RSVP, please contact Christian Redman at c.c.redman@gmail.com or 949-514-1105.

Kids BBQ Championship, Food Network’s exciting culinary reality show is currently casting for kid cooks!

We are looking for the most talented young grill masters around the country who have what it takes to compete for the chance to win a grand prize. We are in search of young cooking masterminds who can handle the heat and smoke the competition!

For more information and how to apply, please visit our website at www.JSCasting.com. If you have any questions or require further information, please email us: BBQKidsCasting@gmail.com.

Don’t forget to check out our 4-H Cooking Curriculum!
Ambassador Corner

The State Ambassadors have been working hard preparing for a great 2017! The Ambassadors will be off to a busy start in the New Year with delivering workshops at some of the area conferences! We look forward to seeing you at these conferences so you can experience some great learning opportunities! The State Ambassadors have been preparing their workshops on time management, goal setting, stress management and service learning to present at upcoming conferences. State Ambassador I’s, Trent and Jackie, have chosen their own year-long platform of youth-adult partnerships. Their workshops will discuss the different levels and positive benefits of a strong, working relationship. They hope to present their workshop throughout the state and in some counties. If you are interested in having a Youth-Adult Partnership training in your county please contact Jenna Colburn.

The Ambassadors recently helped with Giving Tuesday which was huge success! California 4-H raised just over $31,877 and an anonymous donor matched it up to $25,000 for a total around $56,877! Thank you to everyone who donated!

Keep up with the State Ambassadors on their official snapchat; @ca4hsa; on the California 4-H Instagram, @ca4h; and the State Ambassador page.

- Applications are now open and are due January 9th for the 2017-2018 ambassador team. For more information please visit the Apply to Become a State Ambassador page.

Animal Science

New Federal Regulations to Impact Livestock Producers

As of January 1, 2017, all medically-important antibiotics for use in or on feed and in water will require a Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD) or a prescription. This new regulation will affect all livestock producers including 4-H and FFA members.

The State 4-H Office, in coordination with the UC Davis Veterinary Medicine Extension, and the California Department of Food and Agriculture will be presenting a one-hour webinar on multiple dates to further explain the new regulations and their implications.

Webinar Dates:
January 11th 10:00-11:00 am
January 17th 10:00-11:00 am
February 6th 10:00-11:00 am
February 28th 10:00-11:00 am

The webinars will be hosted in Zoom Conferencing. Please join one of these webinars from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android at: https://ucanr.zoom.us/j/174735292. 4-H staff, volunteers, and FFA instructors are encouraged to attend.
Dear Colleagues:

Do you know a college student who has a passion for government, history, political science, education, public speaking, or leadership? Do they have a passion for working with young people? If this brings someone to mind, **encourage them to apply for the position of Program Assistant (PA) at National 4-H Conference Center**!

Application deadlines are quickly approaching and we want to give 4-H alumni and collegiate 4-H’ers an opportunity to apply for this amazing opportunity this summer. Our PA’s will be making a difference in the lives of thousands of high school-aged students from all over the United States while working for our Citizenship Washington Focus Programs (CWF) in Washington, D.C.

**CWF Program Assistants** will:

- Develop and facilitate a unique program experience for over 1,500 high school aged 4-H’ers from across the country in Washington, D.C.
- Lead CWF delegates in experience based citizenship curriculum through tours and workshops
- Develop and refine teamwork, critical thinking, and problem solving skills in a fast paced and fun environment
- Become licensed D.C. tour guides
- The CWF PA experience begins in mid-May and ends in late July

**APPLY**

If you know a college student looking for an internship or credit towards graduation, please share this email.

More details about this program and application materials can be found on our [website](#). If you have any questions, please contact Kelsey Conklin, [kconklin@4hcenter.org](mailto:kconklin@4hcenter.org).
**New Leader Orientation NOW ONLINE!!!**

Drum roll please.......our New Leader Orientation page is now UP AND RUNNING ONLINE! Any in person Orientations scheduled are now canceled, as it can now be accessed ONLINE anytime!

Please visit our County 4-H website at:
http://cekern.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/
and look for the "Becoming a New 4-H Leader" page to get started!!!

Please pass the word along to any potential leaders!!!

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**Food Safety Training Available ONLINE!**

The State 4-H Office requires that every club have at least one 4-H leader trained in Food Safety. The more leaders in your club that are certified, the more convenient it is for your club. It is required that a certified volunteer is to be present at all bake sales/food booths to make sure proper food safety guidelines are handled. Food Safety trainings are available anytime online! Please visit the website below, and use the provided sign-in/user information:

Website: http://ucanr.edu/sites/MISKIS/
Username: miskis
Password: makeitsafe_1234

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**4-H WEBSITES**

http://cekern.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/
http://www.areyouintoit.com
http://www.fourhcouncil.edu
http://www.4-h.org/fourweb
http://www.ca4h.org

**4-H ENROLLMENT WEBSITE**

https://california.4honline.com

**4-H VOLUNTEER WEBSITE**

http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/

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**KERN COUNTY 4-H IS ON FACEBOOK!**

Kern County 4-H is on Facebook! You can search for us: Kern County 4-H and 'like' us! We will post updates, important event reminders, announcements—all sorts of important things! It’s the best way to keep up-to-date!
Check Us Out!!!

Kern County 4-H is stepping up our high tech skills! We now have the ability to send out TEXT reminders about upcoming events, deadlines, meetings, updates, etc. If you’d like to sign up for our updates, please follow the steps below!

Kern County 4-H would like you to join Kern County 4-H Updates!

WHAT IS REMIND AND WHY IS IT SAFE?

Remind is a one-way text messaging and email system. With Remind, all personal information remains completely confidential.

Visit www.remind.com to learn more.

To receive messages via text, text @kc4hupdate to 81010. You can opt-out of messages at anytime by replying ‘unsubscribe @kc4hupdate’.

Trouble using 81010? Try texting @kc4hupdate to (610) 246-3493 instead.

To:
81010

Enter this number

Message:
@kc4hupdate

Text this message

*Standard text message rates apply.

THANK YOU!!!

Rio Del Norte 4-H

Shafter 4-H

Sierra Mountaineers 4-H

For your contributions to the Kern County Cares Golden Empire Gleaners Canned Food Drive

AWESOME!