



RESOURCE VOLUNTEER

Volunteer Position Description

Position: Resource Volunteer

Advisor: County 4-H Extension Professional Staff, and if applicable, a 4-H volunteer.

Purpose: Enhance the 4-H program on a short-term basis by providing support, training, and/or education for members and/or volunteers in a specific skill and/or competency.

Expectations:

- Report signs of child abuse/neglect as required by law.
- Accept supervision from and work in partnership with Extension professionals.
- Work collaboratively with project/organizational volunteers.
- Serve as a role model for positive ethical/moral attitudes and behaviors.
- Maintain clear, frequent communication with Extension staff and if applicable, other volunteers.
- Help ensure a safe environment if attending any 4-H function.
- Agree to and abide by the University of Idaho/Idaho 4-H Policies and Procedures, the Idaho 4-H Code of Conduct, and any other Extension and/or specific county guidelines.

Responsibilities: Youth and Family

- Be committed to youth and their development in all areas, regardless of needs or abilities.

Responsibilities: Program Resource

- Design and/or deliver a specific lesson and/or short-term special interest program for 4-H members and/or volunteers.
- Become familiar with the purpose of 4-H programs and the guidelines for the program or event originating the request.
- Learn basic information about the audience. i.e.: ages, number involved, interests of participants, skill levels.
- Follow through with the agreed upon responsibilities, evaluate and share the effectiveness of the presentation.

Commitment:

- Term: Varies according to the request. Usually 1-4 times a year.
- Time: Varies according to needs of the request.

Desired Personal Attributes:

- Enthusiastic attitude; interest in and ability to work with 4-H members and volunteers.
- A commitment to be a positive role model.
- Current and, if appropriate, research-based skills/knowledge related to requested area of focus.
- Awareness of written resource materials and career opportunities related to the topic.

Specific Requirements: If appropriate:

- Successfully complete a background screen and the Protecting Minors Training.
- Sign the Idaho 4-H Policies and Procedures, Code of Conduct, and the appropriate Position Description.
- Attend any educational training as required by Idaho 4-H, University of Idaho, and/or your specific county.

Resources Provided:

- Orientation to 4-H and project/event specific details.
- Limited quantity of handout materials may be copied.
- Additional support as appropriate that will help ensure a successful volunteering experience.

Benefits of Position: Opportunities to:

- Share and teach others valued skills.
- Contribute to the 4-H positive youth development program as a role model to participating youth.
- Utilize a flexible time commitment.

Volunteer Signature

Date

Extension Professional Signature

Date

4-H Year