

Washtenaw County 4-H County Awards

County Medals (for 4-H'ers age 13-19 years old)

- Leaders can nominate 4-H youth for these awards and youth can also self-nominate. County 4-H Medals are given to 4-H members who have greatly improved their skills in a particular project(s) or whose project involvement has been significant and successful. Youth cannot receive a county medal award for the same project area more than once and only 3 medals can be given for each project area each year.

4-H Club Spirit (for 4-H'ers age 5-12 years old)

- Leaders can nominate youth who have displayed good sportsmanship, attended and participated in 4-H meetings regularly, demonstrated enthusiasm for 4-H club work, assisted others, and pitched in to help with 4-H club chores and responsibilities.

I Dare You Award (for 4-H'ers who have completed their Junior or Senior Year of High School)

- Leaders can nominate youth for this award. Emphasis for this award is on 4-H youth who are not already demonstrating leadership potential and who need encouragement to step up and utilize their abilities. Nominees should demonstrate personal **integrity**, lead **well-rounded** lives and possess a willingness to **assume responsibility**. The nominee should be an emerging leader, one who has demonstrated leadership potential.

Key Club Award

- This is one of the top awards a 4-H'er can receive in their county program. 4-H leaders can nominate a 4-H'er but the youth MUST complete the application. 4-H members are eligible if they meet the following criteria:
 - Reached 16 years of age by January 1, 2025
 - Completed 3 calendar years of club work as of January 1, 2025
 - Completed 4-H Projects in at least two project areas.
 - Participated in at least 3 district and or state 4-H events.
 - Been recommended by his or her local club leader.

Leader of the Year

- Youth or other 4-H volunteers can nominate any 4-H volunteer for this award. The individual does not need to be a club leader, they can also be a project leader, superintendent, coach, or mentor in our program. Leaders of the Year should demonstrate a strong commitment to Washtenaw County 4-H and have gone above and beyond to serve the Washtenaw County 4-H program.

Alumni of the Year

- Youth or other 4-H volunteers can nominate any 4-H volunteer for this award. This individual should be an alumni of a 4-H program and have gone above and beyond to serve the Washtenaw County 4-H Program.

Friend of 4-H

- Youth or 4-H volunteers can nominate any community supporter (individual, business, or organization) for this award. This award is for community supporters who have significantly supported the Washtenaw County 4-H program. This award acknowledges contributions to the program's success, whether through financial support or other resources.