

Hands for Larger Service

A JOURNAL DEDICATED TO ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

Civic Engagement: Advocacy

To advocate means to publicly support and/or recommend something or someone. All 4-H members have the opportunity to be 4-H advocates! When you attend community events, you have the chance to share with others the positive impacts 4-H has had on your life. Advocacy can be done in many ways such as, word of mouth, social media, and even on the radio. What other programs do you want to advocate for? Maybe it's a sports program, your school, or a family in need. Go out and advocate for what you believe in to educate your community!



Advocate for your Club!



This month at your community club meeting, create and implement a plan to spread the word about the benefits of 4-H. Ideas might include creating flyers to distribute at school, attending a local Grange meeting to present about your club, or setting up a 4-H table or activity at an upcoming community event. Show your community why 4-H is so important to you!

4-H Takes on the Capitol

In 2017, 4-H alumni Teresa Branson and Elizabeth Gangwer attended OSU Statewide's Day at the Capitol. They met with Lane County district Representatives to advocate for the 4-H program and to receive additional funding. At the end of the day, Elizabeth testified in front of a congressional committee to promote Oregon 4-H and to remind our state's leaders of the importance the program serves to youth. Talk with your county 4-H Agent to learn more about opportunities like this and how to be a 4-H advocate!

