



## New Mexico 4-H 101 *Part 2*

**Responsive  
to change**

**Family and  
community  
centered**

**Volunteer  
led**

**What  
is  
4-H?**

**Publicly and  
privately  
funded**

**Extension  
staff  
supervised**

**Research  
based**

New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program is the youth development program of the *New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service.*

The mission is to provide youth the opportunities to acquire *leadership, citizenship, and life skills.* New Mexico 4-H programs are based on the four concepts of positive youth development which are *belonging, mastery, independence, and generosity.*



County Extension Office

County Program Director

County Extension Agent

Programs

4-H

Ag

FCS

Others

Program areas include 4-H Youth Development, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences and many other programs to improve the quality of life.

# Extension Agents are Responsible for:

**County 4-H Program**

**Inform 4-H clientele regarding projects**

**Assure 4-H programs provide educational opportunity**

**Develop volunteer 4-H leadership**

**Conduct 4-H adult volunteer leader screening**

# Extension Agents are Responsible for:

**Secure, manage and account for resources**

**Coordinate program efforts, interpret policies and serve as a representative of the New Mexico Cooperative Extension Service**

**Serve as an advisor**

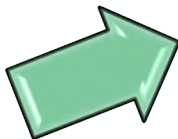
**Matters of conduct, discipline, health and safety**

**Insure that all 4-H programs and activities follow Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, Title IX of the education Amendment of 1972 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990**

**Youth  
Development  
Program**



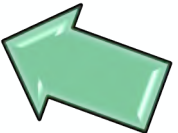
**Hands-on  
learning  
experiences**



**Who is  
4-H?**



**Cloverbuds**



**Regular  
Member  
Age groups**

**Over 200  
project  
areas**

**Events**

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**Organizational  
Leaders**

**Project  
Leaders**

**Other Leaders**



# New Mexico 4-H Leaders

**The New Mexico 4-H program encourages 4-H leaders to become involved in program**

- Determination
- Implementation
- Evaluation

**Leaders may also serve on an advisory council to provide guidance to extension agent.**

***4-H leader involvement fosters strong county 4-H programs.***

# Volunteer Leaders Roles

## Organizational Leaders:

- Assume primary responsibility for a 4-H club or group.

## Assistant Organizational Leaders:

- Responsible for activities and assumes the organizational leader's role in their absence.

## Project Leaders:

- Lead a *specific project or curriculum* within a club, county, or group.

## Activity Leaders:

- Leads an *event or activity* within a club, county, or group.

## Resource Leaders:

- Knowledgeable about 4-H and willing to share their talents and expertise.

# Volunteer Leaders Roles

## Junior Leaders:

- Experienced 4-H members who assist with projects, activities, or organizational matters.

## Teen Leaders:

- May assume total responsibility for a project, or activity, or a 4-H club of younger members with adult assistance and guidance.

## Special Interest Volunteers:

- Provide leadership in a special area of interest.

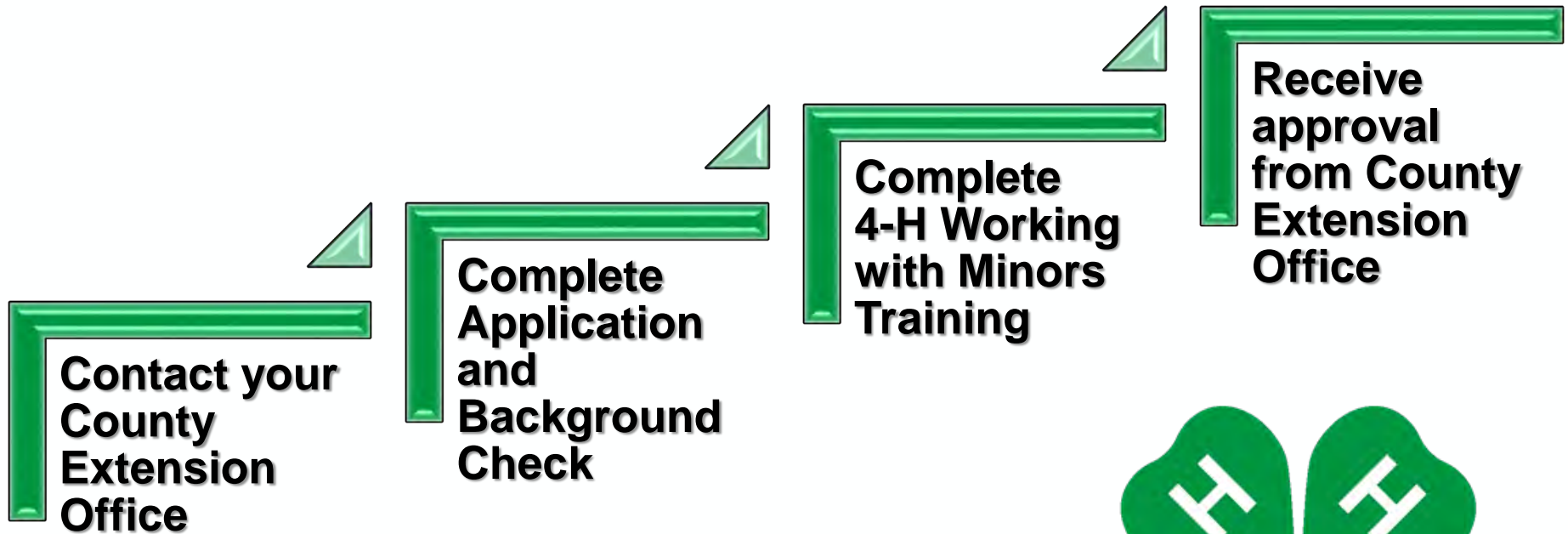
## School Enrichment Volunteers:

- Teach 4-H curriculum in the classroom during school hours.

## Event Chaperone Volunteers:

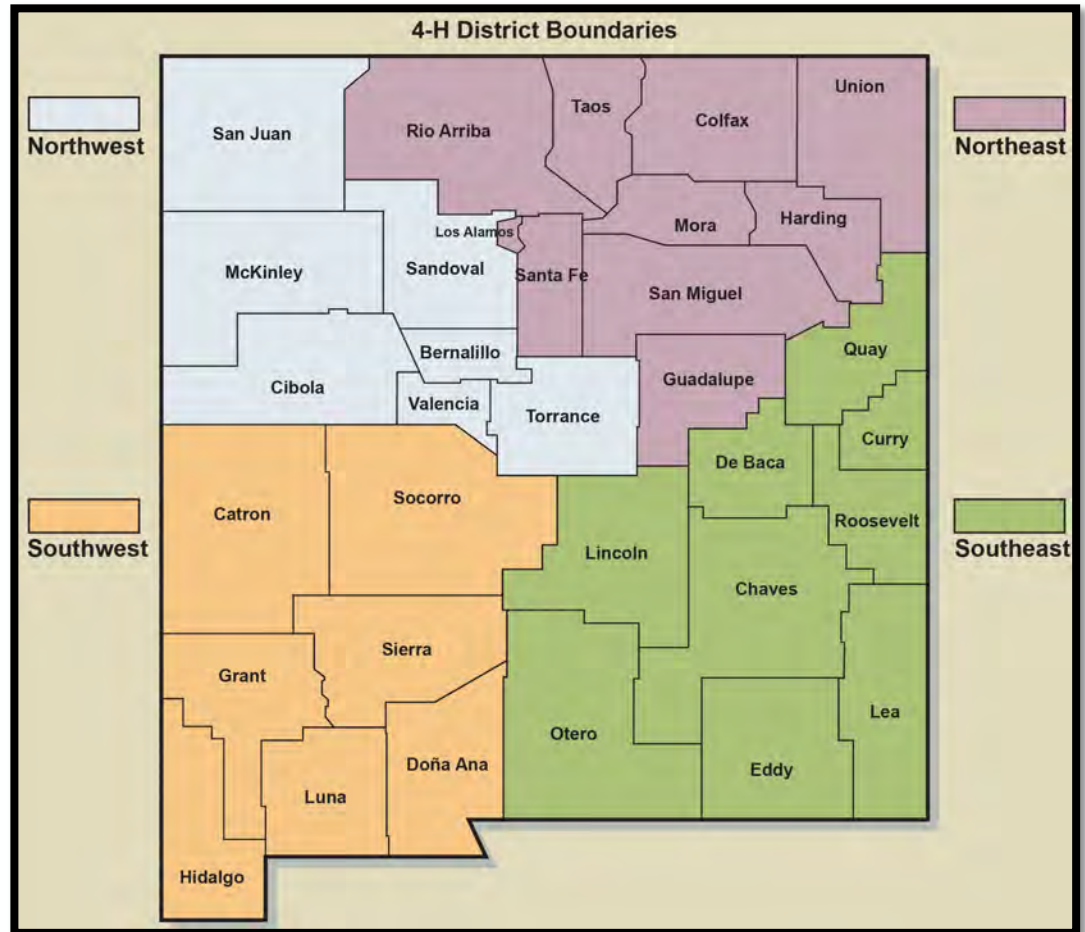
- Chaperone events at the request of the 4-H agent.

# Steps to become a 4-H Leader



# New Mexico has an office in every county

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# When?

**The 4-H year begins  
October 1 and runs until  
September 30.  
Enrollment begins on  
October 1.**

**Members work on their  
projects throughout the year  
then have the opportunity to  
exhibit completed projects at  
achievement days and fairs in  
late summer or early fall.**

***Details vary by, check with your County Extension Office for details.***

# How?

**A 4-H Club is an organized group approved by the county agent consisting of at least five youth from at least three different families.**

**Members meet regularly with adult volunteers or staff for a long-term, progressive series of educational experiences.**

# 4-H Delivery Modes

**Club**

**Special  
Interest**

**School  
Enrichment**



# Club

Organized  
group  
Educational  
experiences

in school,  
after school,  
in the  
community or  
associated  
with a military  
installation.

Planned  
program.

# Minimum Statewide Requirements

Club Meetings

Leadership

Citizenship

Record books/  
Portfolios

Awards/  
Recognitions

# Criteria for Clubs

Affirmative action guidelines.

Members are involved in determining requirements.

Requirements are filed with the County Extension Office.

Responsibility of Members.

Notice of new requirements.

Approved by the County Extension 4-H Agents.

Club secretaries' records must be kept as official documentation.

Organization take responsibility for their enforcement.

No more than 50% of club or county functions.

# Competitions beyond the county level

## District

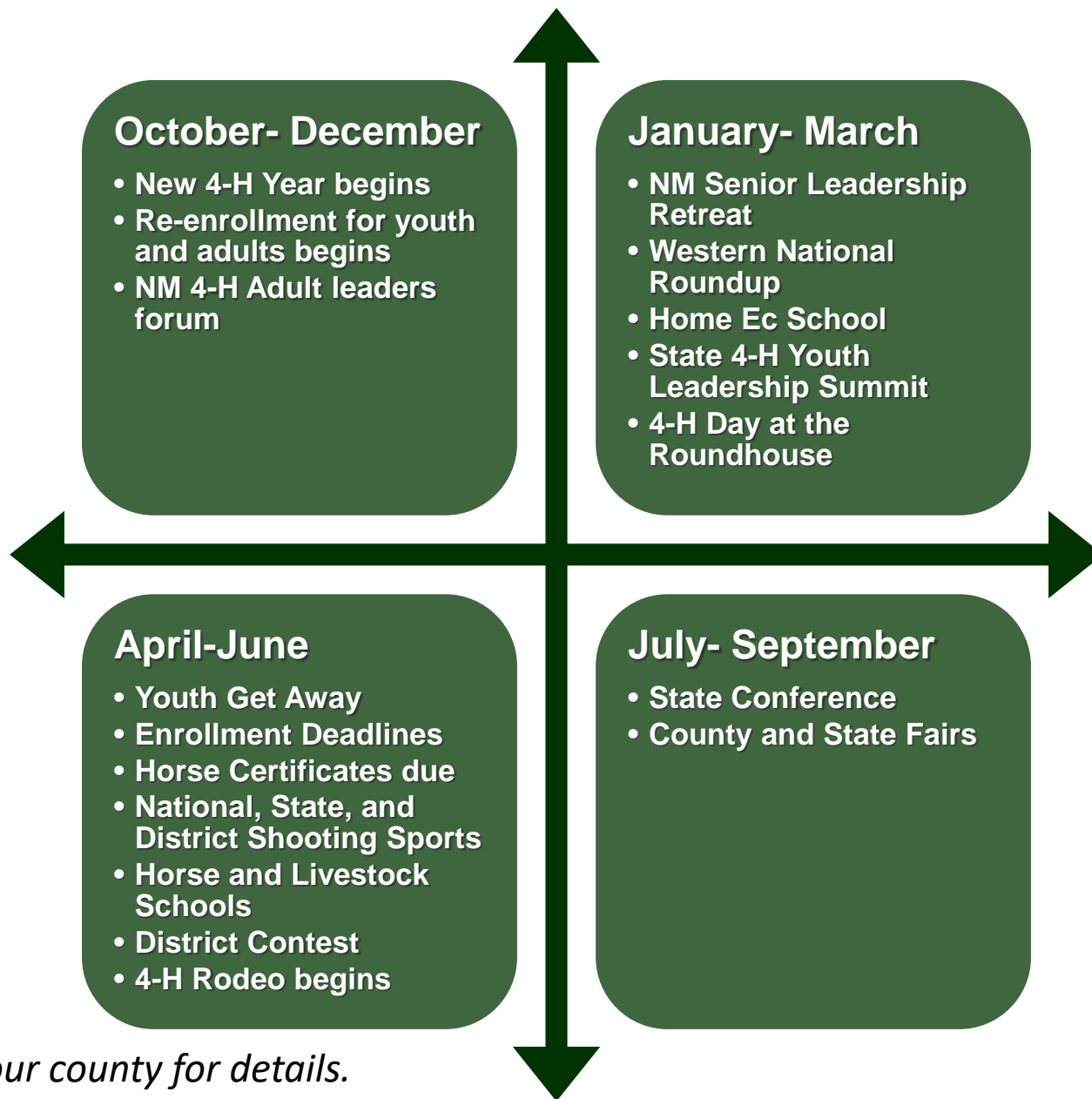
- Novice
- Junior
- Four Districts in New Mexico
  - Northeast
  - Northwest
  - Southeast
  - Southwest

## State Contest

- Senior members
- State contests include
  - New Mexico State 4-H Shooting Sports Championships in Raton
  - a variety of contests held at Senior Leadership Retreat and
  - State 4-H Conference

## Nationals

- Some contests have national competitions for state winners. Previous national contest sites include:
  - Grand Island, NE
  - Oklahoma City, OK
  - Louisville, KY
  - Kansas City, MO
  - Denver, CO
  - Atlanta, GA



*Check with your county for details.*

# Special Interest

**In order to meet the requirements of 4-H Special Interest programming, the following criteria is established:**

**1. Participating youth are 4-H members and will be enrolled through the 4-H computer enrollment system.**

**2. A minimum of six contact hours**

**3. The program must consist of planned educational objectives that can be evaluated..**

# School Enrichment

**School  
administration  
and the  
classroom  
teacher**

**Subject matter  
topic**

**Adult  
leadership**

**4X** More likely to give back to their communities

**2X** More likely to make healthier choices

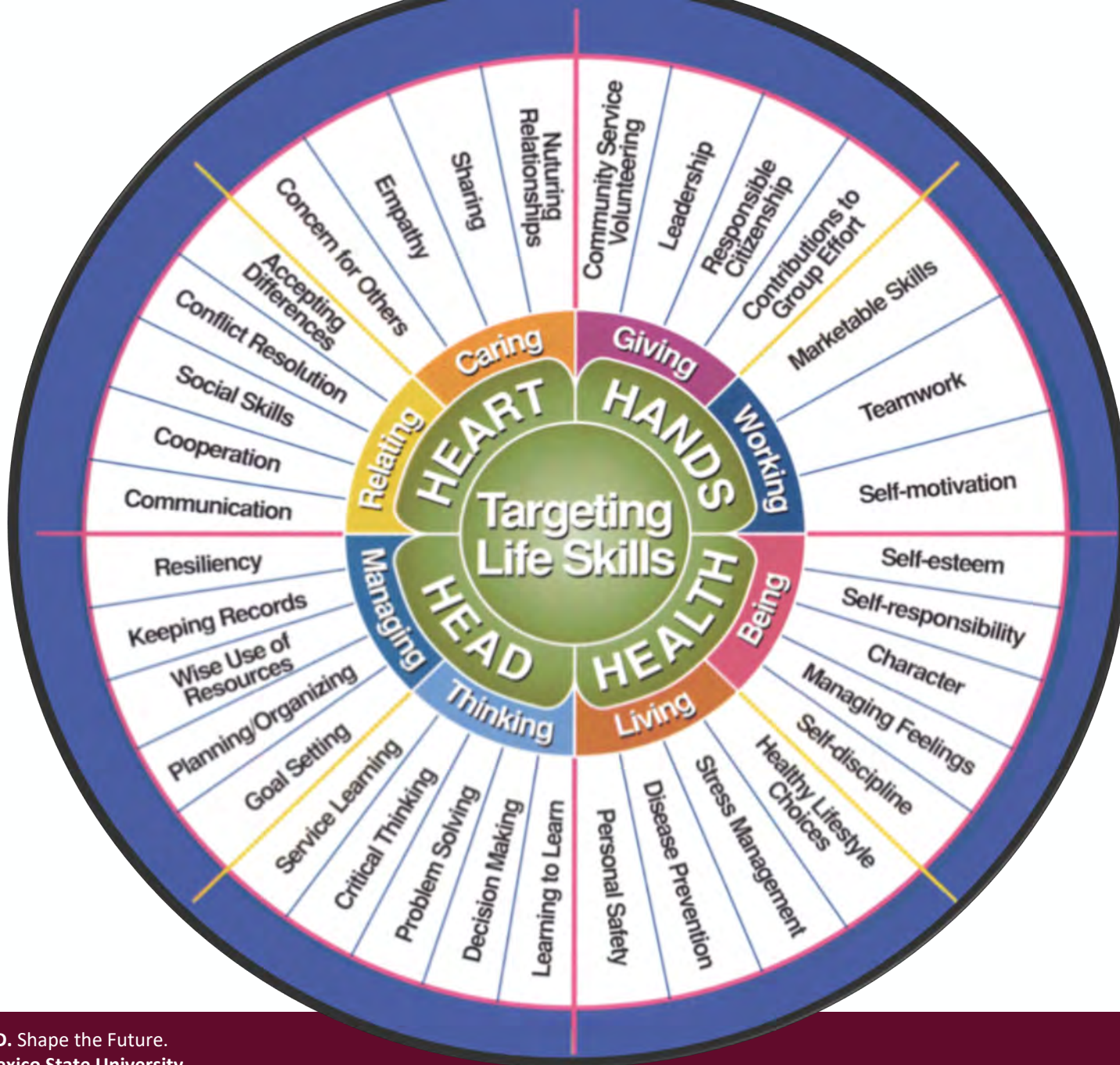
**2X** More likely to participate in STEM activities

**2X** More likely to be civically active

**2X** More likely to participate in science activities outside of school time

The Positive Development of Youth: Comprehensive Findings From the 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development. Richard M. Lerner, Jacqueline V. Lerner and Colleagues. Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development. Tufts University. 2002-2010





For more information about 4-H in your county go to the **New Mexico 4-H** website. The menu on the left side of that page has a **Find Your Extension Office** tab.

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### Scholarships

- State and National Scholarships

### Volunteer & Leadership

## 4-H Youth



### 4-H, Your First Class at New Mexico State University


### Ideas and Action!

The 4-H youth development program is a dynamic non-formal education program.

4-H provides youth with opportunities to learn skills, gain knowledge, have fun, and make contributions in such areas as environmental education, community service, and current youth issues.

To find out more about 4-H opportunities in your area, contact your local **County Extension Office** or our **4-H Faculty and Staff**.

If you have any problems viewing information or obtaining forms from this website, please contact the State 4-H Office at (575) 646-3026.



### March

2020 Home Economics School

### April

2020 Youth Get-Away

### April - May

2020 New Mexico State 4-H Shooting