UConn 4-H Hall of Fame Nomination

The 2020 Hall of Fame class will automatically include those who have previously won UConn 4-H State Awards and National 4-H Hall of Fame Inductees from Connecticut.

In recognition of the excellence in volunteerism within the UConn 4-H Program, an inaugural UConn 4-H Hall of Fame class will be inducted in 2020. A 4-H Hall of Fame provides statewide recognition for individuals and external organizations with significant contributions to the UConn 4-H Youth Development program on every level, preserves UConn 4-H history and development, and has the potential to increase awareness of the 4-H Youth Development program. Potential recipients include 4-H volunteers, 4-H supporters, external collaborating organizations and businesses, community leaders and retired Cooperative Extension staff.

| Number of Recipients | Approximately 8 honorees selected per year
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| Eligibility          | 4-H volunteers, 4-H supporters, external collaborating organizations and businesses, community leaders, and retired UConn Extension Employees who have benefited from, and attribute their success to 4-H, or those who have made significant contributions of time, energy, and/or resources to the UConn 4-H Youth Development program. Service at the county, state, regional or national level is required.
|                      | A minimum of 10 years of UConn 4-H Volunteer Service |
| Nomination Process   | Any group or individual is eligible to submit a nomination for consideration. Nominations due July 1, 2020. A maximum of two nominations per county may be submitted annually. |
| Selection Process    | Selections made by state level committee based on submitted nominations (signature of UConn Extension Educator required on the nomination signature page) UConn Extension is an equal opportunity program provider. |
| Selection            | Nominator must electronically submit photo, narrative and 250-word bio describing the honoree’s qualifications. |
| Recognition          | Recognition in conjunction with a statewide 4-H event, virtual 4-H Hall of Fame annually updated with photos and bios of the honorees. UConn 4-H may share the contact information of the nominee and the nominator with local media. |

Guidelines

- The UConn 4-H Hall of Fame will use criteria consistent with the National 4-H volunteer recognition programs.
- Any group or individual is eligible to submit a nomination to the state selection committee.
- All nominations must include the signature of a County 4-H Educator.
- Complete nominations include the nomination cover page, nomination signature page, and 2 page document outlining nominee’s qualifications based on the National 4-H volunteer recognition programs, a digital head and shoulder photograph (600 dpi) and a brief (no more than 250 words) biography.
- UConn Extension employees must be retired for three or more years before being eligible for nomination.
- Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated for future consideration with an updated nomination submission.
The UConn 4-H Hall of Fame recognizes individuals and organizations with significant contributions to the UConn 4-H Youth Development program on the county, state, regional or national level. Potential recipients include 4-H volunteers, 4-H pioneers, external collaborating organizations and businesses, community leaders, and retired Cooperative Extension staff. Any group or individual is eligible to nominate one individual or external collaborating organization or business for consideration by the state level selection committee.

All nominations must be submitted electronically to your county 4-H office no later than July 1, 2020.

Nominee Information

Name ________________________________________________________________

Title/Position _________________________________________________________

**Relative/contact person if nominee is deceased ______________________________________

Mailing Address _______________________________________________________

Place of residence _______________________________________________________

Town/City ________________ State ____ Zip ________________

Telephone _______________________ E-mail ________________________________

Does the Nominee know about this Nomination? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Nominator Information

Name __________________________________________ Telephone ________________

Address _______________________________________________________________

Town/City ________________ State ____ Zip ________________

E-mail ________________________________ Fax # ____________________________

The UConn 4-H Hall of Fame recognizes significant contributions (depth, scope and impact) at all levels with 4-H service on the county, state, regional or national level. Selection is based on four criteria:

☐ Evidence of a positive impact on the lives of 4-H youth
☐ Evidence of a positive impact on the 4-H program
☐ Personal Attributes
☐ Personal Involvement in 4-H

Clear evidence of significant contributions with impact and influence on 4-H is essential. Describe things the nominee established that were multi-faceted, unique and grew because of their leadership. Contributions and leadership that extend beyond county impact are important. This includes changes or additions to 4-H programs initiated by the nominee or as a member of a team. Supportive data should include numbers that show 4-H growth, an increase in member and leadership opportunities and/or evidence of how the nominee extended 4-H
potentials to existing and new audiences. Evidence may also focus on how 4-H membership impacted career and life choices and a continued connection with 4-H.

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Narrative Questions

The Selection Committee is primarily interested in learning of the nominee’s significant impacts on 4-H’ers and/or the 4-H program. The nomination is limited to 2 pages with fonts no smaller than 12 point and margins a minimum of .5 inches.

Below are suggested National 4-H volunteer recognition program questions to adapt based on nominee. (i.e. deceased 4-H supporter, 4-H volunteer, 4-H donor, external collaborating organization or business, community leader, or Extension professional).

1. Evidence of a positive impact on the lives of 4-H youth:
   a. Demonstrated ability to work with young people in way that promotes youth empowerment, decision-making, problem-solving, meeting challenges, and mastery.
   b. Nominee’s dedication to youth/adult partnerships and developing mentor-learner relationships.

2. Evidence of a positive impact on the 4-H program:
   a. Nominee’s innovative approaches to engaging new youth and increasing diversity among participants.
   b. Dedication to providing a safe and inclusive environment for youth.
   c. Nominee’s innovative approaches to performing volunteer service, recruitment of additional 4-H volunteers, partnering with other youth service agencies, fundraising, providing other resources for 4-H, advocacy for 4-H, etc.

3. Personal Attributes
   a. Evidence of professional attitude, character, and morals.
   b. Personal growth from being a 4-H volunteer (that you have observed).

4. Personal Involvement in 4-H
   a. List local 4-H roles (4-H Project leader; Community 4-H Club Leader, etc.). Include summary of years, roles, and organizations.
   b. List County 4-H roles (County Extension Committee, etc.). Include summary of years, roles, and organizations.
   c. List State/Regional/National 4-H roles (State species committees, New England 4-H, etc.). Include summary of years, roles, and organizations.
   d. List relevant 4-H honors/awards and years received.
   e. List relevant non-4-H volunteer roles. Include a summary of years, roles, and organizations.

5. Additional informational purposes only
   a. If nominee was involved in 4-H as a young person, please indicate the state where nominee was involved, type of involvement (4-H projects, camper, etc.), years of membership, exemplary awards, leadership roles, etc.
   b. Current position (professional/homemaker). If retired, most recent role.
Nominee’s Name

As the nominator, I verify the information submitted is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Nominator ____________________________ Date 

If the nominee is selected, UConn 4-H may share the contact information of the nominee and the nominator with local media.

Submission of this form implies the undersigned UConn Extension Educator approves this nomination.

UConn Extension Educator (print name) ____________________________ Date 

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1. Nomination cover page
2. Nomination signature page
3. 2 page narrative document outlining the nominee’s qualifications based on the National 4-H volunteer recognition programs criteria
4. Digital head and shoulder photograph (600 dpi)
5. Brief (no more than 250 words) biography.

Recognition will take place during the UConn 4-H Volunteer Recognition Program in October 2020.