

## **SE District 4-H PAC Issues Summary**

### **Adult and Youth Leadership Development-**

- 4-Lack of Adult Support of 4-H Program- Educate leaders on recruiting adult help
- 4-Lack of Youth Leadership, need more leadership education and youth led activities
- 2-Lack of Teen Participation
- Lack of Youth/Adult partnerships in communities
- 2-Need for a mentor program
- 2-Increase the number of project clubs
- 2-Conduct parent training on 4-H activities and opportunities
- Continue and expand leadership development and opportunities for prospective volunteers, teens and youth 9-12.
- Provide training on specific projects and club ideas
- Educate youth on service learning projects
- Conduct basic training for new leaders
- Inform parents of potential roles they could play
- Expand school enrichment programs on Leadership
- Assist volunteers in seeking grant or funding sources
- Work with other agencies to identify potential or existing volunteers
- Materials for parents who are not in the 4-H audience (marketing also)
- Collaborate with other agencies/organizations to offer educational programs to youth and adults
- Involve local businesses in mentor program for youth

### **Health and Wellness-**

- 4-Need to address teen issues: drug& alcohol abuse, teen pregnancy
- Need for nutrition and drinking and driving programs
- Education on sexuality beginning at 5-6<sup>th</sup> grade
- Address bullying
- Lack of parental supervision and role models, rude behavior
- Childhood Obesity
- First Aid Training
- Promote healthier lunch programs i.e. day care, school, head start
- Educate day care providers on healthy meals
- More actual hands-on training in fitness and nutrition curriculum
- Lack of warm clothing and food for some youth
- Disaster Preparedness

### **Marketing and Visibility-**

- 5-Increase promotion of 4-H
- Increase member retention through high school
- Promote 4-H at after school and in school programs
- Sharing of promotional ideas through in-service
- Better promotion of 4-H events and activities
- Market 4-H at PTO meetings and other events
- Increase awareness of Cloverbud program to young parents

Promote 4-H through project displays, hands-on activities and games, and parent education  
Expand 4-H enrollment through displays in communities, signs at businesses  
Promote 4-H to more diverse audiences highlighting projects to appeal to a wider range of youth  
Offer grant opportunities for counties to apply for to launch a membership recruitment campaign  
Recruit 7 and 8 year old youth through day camps  
Recruit volunteers on college campus  
Need current and effective 4-H promotional materials; print and multi-media  
Need district or state kits to promote all program areas and OSU

### **Environmental Stewardship-**

2-Educate youth on the subject of trash and recycling  
Provide youth an opportunity to use GPS and GIS  
Pollution/Water Quality  
Conduct school enrichment and 4-H programs dealing with water quality and quantity, erosion, recycling and roadside dumping  
Need for Wildlife and Conservation In-service for educators  
Training in safe clean up techniques, safety equipment, identifying poison ivy, etc. for service projects  
Lack of exposure to fishing and activities centered around the great outdoors  
Offer environmental programs/ideas for day camp settings

### **Ag/Livestock Projects-**

2-Have more hands-on livestock training  
Start Project Clubs  
Increase number of youth who have livestock projects  
Provide animal project educational workshops  
Recruit and train leaders for Ag Project Clubs  
Offer junior cattlemen educational workshop  
Continue livestock skill-a-thon-expand to include goats

### **Science and Technology-**

Address internet safety with youth and parents as well as monitoring child internet use  
Conduct Internet Safety and Awareness for pre-teens and teens  
Develop brochures and PSA's of dangers on the net and cyber bullying  
Need web development assistance from state

### **4-H Afterschool-**

Develop an afterschool program that focuses on i.e. leather craft, shooting sports, public speaking, nutrition and other projects

### **Life Skills-**

Teach ATV safety and tractor safety  
Provide workshops on sewing, money management, and 2- child care  
Provide workshop on Plant and Grass ID  
Create Dog Obedience program

