

REACHING NEW AND UNDERSERVED 4-H AUDIENCES: A PLACE AT THE TABLE!

Are all youth invited to have a seat and
join 4-H?



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Lets take a look at some recruits

- ▣ As a youth development 4-H Adult Advisor will your 4-H Club accept these youth into your 4-H Club?
- ▣ As we look at these individual youth, be thinking of your present 4-H and ask yourself, will these youth be accepted by myself, co-advisors, and current 4-H members?



Colleen

- ▣ Female
 - High School Junior
 - Irish-American Heritage
 - Lives with both parents
 - Interested in Home Design and Decorating

- Can she join your 4-H Club?



David

- ▣ Male
 - Jewish American
 - 8th grader
 - Comes from a single Father household
 - Interested in Foods/Nutrition

- Can he join your 4-H Club?



Delia



- ▣ Female
 - 7th grader
 - Native American – Blackfoot Nation
 - Lives with her Aunt and Uncle
 - Interests are: Clothing & Fashions for Native American youth

- Can she join your 4-H Club?

Peter

- ▣ Male
 - High School Freshman
 - Asian American
 - Lives with Mother, Father, Grandparents, and 3 siblings
 - Interests are: Photography and Horses
 - Can he join your 4-H Club?



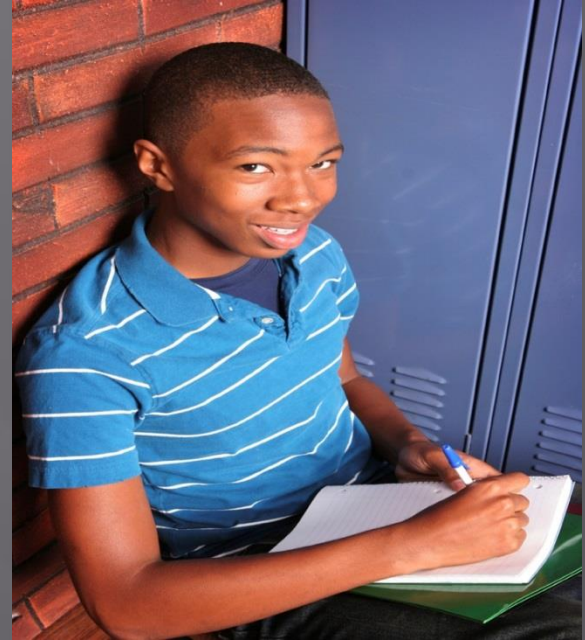
Maria

- ▣ Female
 - High School Senior
 - Latino
 - Lives with Parents, 6 Siblings, and two disabled Aunts
 - Her interests are: goats, vet science, and poultry
 - Can she join your 4-H Club?



Christian

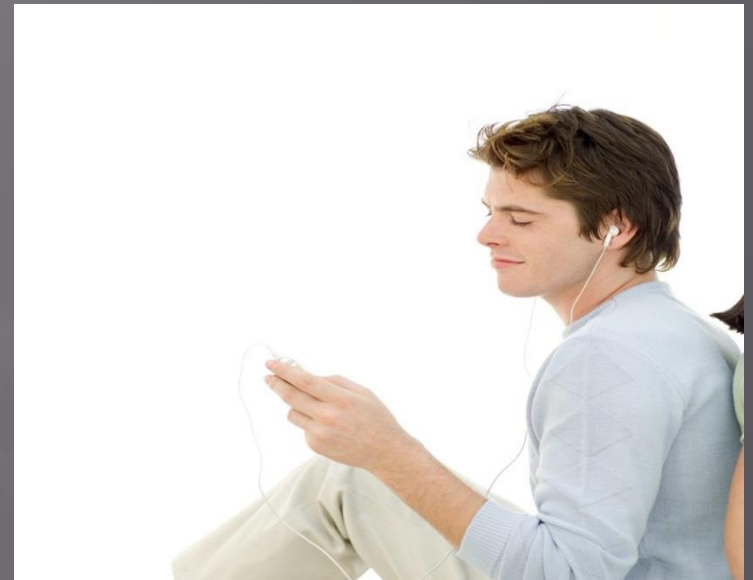
- ▣ Male
 - High School Sophomore
 - African American
 - Lives with his adoptive parents and multi-cultural adopted siblings
 - His interests are: Beef, Tractors, and Gardening.
 - Can he join your 4-H Club?



Terrance

- ▣ Male
 - Senior in High School
 - Bi-racial
 - Lives in a foster home
 - His interests are: Civics of Parliamentary Procedures, Leadership, and Creative Writing.

- Can he join your 4-H Club?



Eve

▣ Female

- High School Junior
- Jamaican Immigrant (legal)
- Lives with her Mother and Step-father
- Her interests are: Shooting sports, electricity, and woodworking.
- Can she join your 4-H Club?



Does everyone have a place at the table in your 4-H Club?



Relationships to enhance effective 4-H programming

- ▣ How can trust be established in the communities where these youth evolve?
- ▣ What kind of sustainability is needed or should there be just one time programming offered?
- ▣ What are the benefits of reaching out to these youth?
- ▣ What kind of resources are available to do programming with different culture youth?

Lets look at our recruits closer



Colleen

IQ of 140 and works best independently.



David

Bisexual and Orthodox Jew



Delia

Strong views about Native Americans and Culture.



Peter

Has a Father that makes all decisions about his involvement.



Maria

Her whole family comes to all meetings and activities – strong Catholic faith.



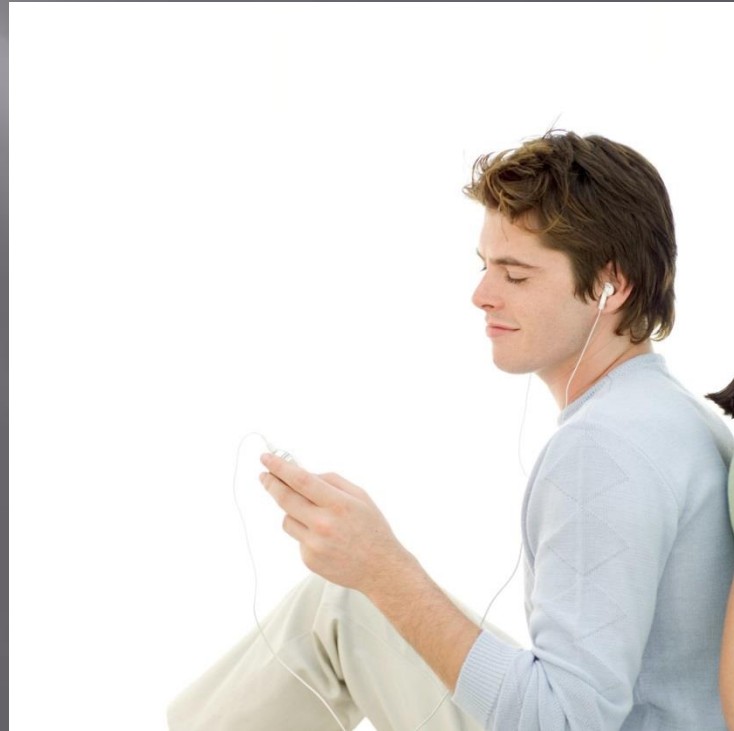
Christian

A recovering addict for 7 years and has a personality (smile).



Terrance

Proud of his heritage celebrates his diversity.
High achiever but has a fire inside himself.



Eve

Lesbian and proud, afraid of men because of her history in homeland with rapes of young ladies.



What are your views as 4-H Adult Advisors?

- Do they meet the 4-H Club's membership expectations?
- Can they participate in these 4-H projects in your 4-H Club?
- Can these youth appreciate and celebrate to other 4-H Club members their diversity?
- Are you offering them a "Place at the table" in your 4-H Club?
- If you answered NO to any of these questions, think about what factors limit your 4-H Club to offer them at "A Place at the Table." Share and discuss with the group.

Are these youth being served by 4-H programming?

Foster Care youth



Homeless Youth



Underserved Youth (cont.)

Teen Parents



Disabled Youth



Underserved Youth (cont.)

Native Youth



Immigrant Youth



Underserved Youth (cont.)

Migrant Youth



Gang Youth



Underserved Youth (cont.)

Sexual Orientation Youth

Working Poor Youth



Underserved Youth (cont.)

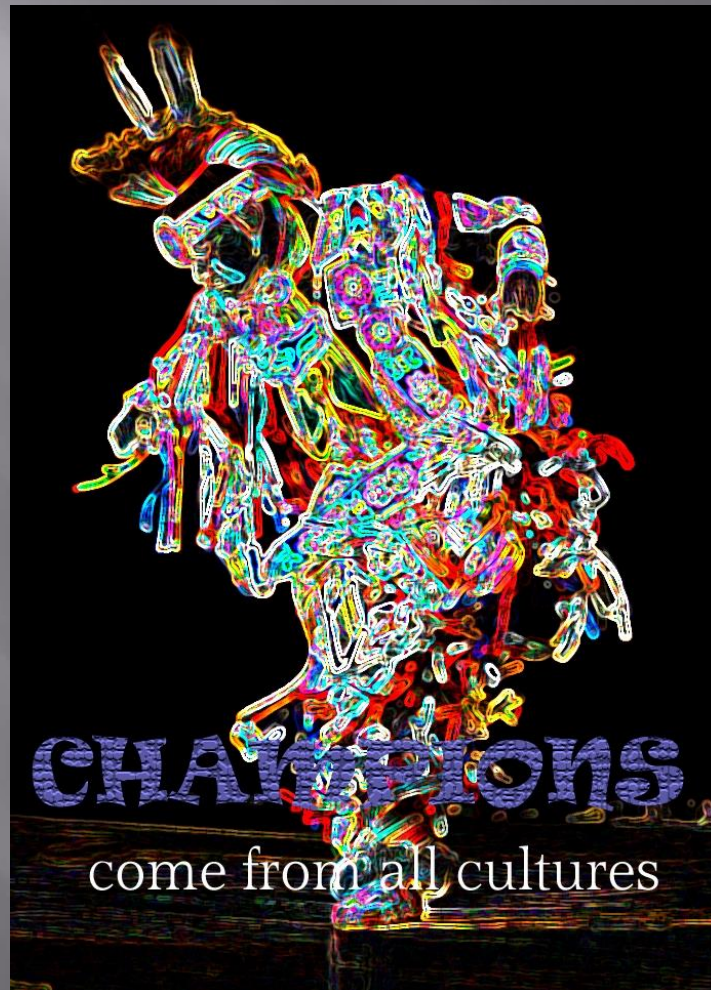
Homeschooled Youth



Short Term Youth



Thank you



Disclaimer

- ▣ None of the pictures of the youth on this presentation were actual 4-H people. Their pictures were taken from a website only to enhance your appreciation of attaching a name to a possible face.
- ▣ Thank you.