

Fall 2018

Dear Business Leader:

Van Buren County 4-H Leaders' Association, which is under Michigan State University Extension, is preparing to hold its 11<sup>th</sup> annual 4-H Auction. The annual auction is our largest fundraiser and allows volunteers and youth to participate in a variety of educational programs and events. We would like you to consider a donation to the auction of merchandise or a service gift certificate that we will auction on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 beginning at 10 a.m. at the Van Buren ISD Conference Center in Lawrence.

What do the four H's stand for? *HEAD, HEART, HANDS AND HEALTH*

**HEAD** - 4-H lets kids take the lead, with the help of adult partners, in thinking, learning and problem-solving.

**HEART** - 4-H helps kids build strong relationships with peers and adults based on caring and respect.

**HANDS** - 4-H lets kids learn by doing and then use their talents and skills to make their communities better places in which to live and grow.

**HEALTH** - 4-H helps kids make healthy choices to keep them physically and mentally able to do what they need to at school, at home and in their communities.



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The proceeds from the Annual 4-H Auction are used to sponsor youth and adults in training workshops, materials for fun learning activities, recognition and awards for projects well done, and sponsorships to attend camps and county/statewide events. Van Buren County currently works with nearly 370 youth and 125 adult volunteers. It is a powerful thing, when kids team up with adults to learn new skills, improve their communities, explore the wonders of today's world, prepare for tomorrow's opportunities and have fun. Please help us make this possible to all youth regardless of their financial situation.

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4-H is a 501 (c)3 organization, EIN available upon request. Thank you for your donation. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 269-657-8213 or [rajzerj@anr.msu.edu](mailto:rajzerj@anr.msu.edu).

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