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Glenn County Youth to Celebrate National 4-H Week October 7-13

Orland, CA (September 20, 2018) — For the 76th consecutive year, millions of youth, parents, volunteers and alumni across the country will celebrate *National 4-H Week* from October 7-13. This year's theme, *Inspire Kids to Do*, is a campaign that will give kids more opportunities to do, empowering them with the skills they need to succeed in life and career.

Throughout National 4-H Week, Glenn County 4-H will showcase the many ways 4-H inspires kids to do through hands-on learning experiences as well as highlight the remarkable 4-H youth in our community who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them.

4-H was founded on the belief that when kids are empowered to pursue their passions and chart their own course, their unique skills grow and take shape, helping them to become true leaders in their lives, careers and communities.

The 4-H County Ambassadors- Carson Karle, Viviana Olmos, Sheyenne Munguia and Jakob Munguia; their adult advisor- Landry Otterson; and our 4-H Program Representative- Alyssa Perry will be presenting the National 4-H Week Proclamation to the Glenn County Board of Supervisors at the October 2, 2018 meeting.

"At age 7, I became involved in an amazing organization. Little did I know where it would take me and how it would mold me into the person I am today." said Jamie Marron, past 4-H Program Representative and former 4-H member. "In 4-H, we believe in growing young people with the skills needed to succeed in life and career. When young people are empowered to pursue their passions, their unique skills grow and take shape, helping them to become true leaders in their lives, careers and communities." -Jennifer L. Sirangelo, President & CEO National 4-H Council.

Glenn County 4-H was the fortunate recipient of a grant from the Barceloux-Tibbesart Foundation to benefit approximately 120 members in our Archery and Sports Shooting County-wide Projects. This grant will allow these projects to purchase new equipment, arrows, bows, cases, stands, targets and new air rifles. It is partnerships like this one that keep our program going and striving for excellence.

4-H alumni around the country are always the first to acknowledge the significant positive impact that 4-H had on them as young people. In fact, research has shown that young people in 4-H are nearly four times as likely to contribute to their communities and are twice as likely to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs during after school time.

In Glenn County, more than 500 4-H youth and 90 volunteers from the community are involved in 4--H.

Also, in October, *4-H National Youth Science Day* will kick off on October 1 and take place throughout the month. The 2018 4-H NYSD challenge, now in its 11th year, is called *Code Your World*, a computer science-themed challenge co-developed by Google and West Virginia University Extension Service.

Code Your World will teach kids a wide variety of skills in a four-part series that will enable them to apply computer science to the world around them. This hands-on experience includes a computer-based activity on Google's CS First platform, as well as three unplugged activities that bring coding to life through games and interaction. Code Your World is perfect for first-time and beginner coders, ages 8 to 14.

To learn more about 4-H and 4-H National Youth Science Day, please visit http://www.4-h.org.

About 4-H:

4-H, the nation's largest youth development and empowerment organization, cultivates confident kids who tackle the issues that matter most in their communities right now. In the United States, 4-H programs empower six million young people through the 110 land-grant universities and Cooperative Extension in more than 3,000 local offices serving every county and parish in the country. Outside the United States, independent, country-led 4-H organizations empower one million young people in more than 50 countries. National 4-H Council is the private sector, non-profit partner of the Cooperative Extension System and 4-H National Headquarters located at the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) within the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Learn more about 4-H at <u>www.4-H.org</u>, find us on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/4-H</u> and on Twitter at https://twitter.com/4H.

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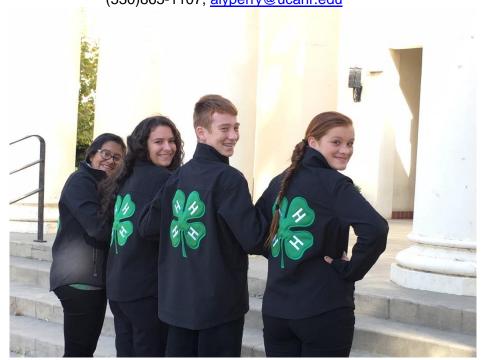


Figure 1 All Star/B.L.A.S.T. members showing their 4-H pride! Left to right: Viviana Olmos, Sarah Mendonca, Carson Karle, and Kenzie Eddy



Figure 2 All Star/B.L.A.S.T. Team, Alumni, and Adult Volunteers holding the 4-H pledge. Left to right: Viviana Olmos, Landry Otterson, Carson Karle, Garrett Otterson, Sarah Mendonca, Sara van Tol, and Kenzie Eddy