



Georgia Cloverleaf

4-H ANNUAL REPORT

mastery • generosity • belonging • independence

4-H, the essential element

As I write this I'm watching the sun rise over Rock Eagle Lake and listening to the sounds of a thousand people beginning to stir for a new day. It's a D.P.A. weekend here and my mind drifts back over the years. I know with great certainty that 4-H was an essential element in my development as a young person, as an adult and as a professional. 4-H developed my leadership abilities, drove my ambitions and molded my life.



State 4-H Leader, Bo Ryles with State Officers prepare for State Council.

4-H's full scope of people, places, experiences, opportunities, friendships, hopes and dreams inspired me. . . equipped me. . . and challenged me. My 4-H story is one that is repeated by hundreds of thousands of adults as they reflect on this organization. It has and continues to be the essential element in positive youth development and education for so many people. 4-H has been the catalyst for the knowledge in my Head, the passion from my Heart, the work of my Hands and the attention to my Health.

As I reflect on the past year, I recall the strategic and purposeful steps that were taken to assure that the content of 4-H curriculum remains relevant to schools and complementary to the education system of our state. We joined our colleagues across the nation in promoting Science, Engineering and Technology (SET) and have continued our dynamic work in healthy lifestyles. Across our state, we have worked with school officials to be certain 4-H is an integral part of the program and a valued partner in education.

I remember the extraordinary dedication of our agents and specialists who hosted the 2007 national meeting of 4-H agents. I vividly recall the realization of the largest appropriation in our organization's history as the ground-breaking ceremony was held for the new dining hall at Rock Eagle 4-H Center. I recall the

statewide support of the programs and facilities on the south end of Jekyll Island.

2007 brought expansion to our citizenship and leadership programs and increased focus on fairness and ethical behavior in our animal science education programs. Environmental education continues to expand and we have taken steps to assure that we will camp more youth than ever before in the near future. A group of experts has begun a process to inform refinements to our nationally-acclaimed project achievement process.

We have bright, enthusiastic and engaged faculty at the county and state levels. We have hard-working dedicated employees at all locations. We have a large and engaged alumni base and a diverse and active population of young people.

With this support system in place, we will continue to focus our efforts on our partnership with schools, our attention to engaging youth in acquiring the essential elements of positive youth development. We will continue our commitment as educators to science, engineering and technology. And we will expand our world citizenship efforts.

As donors, volunteers, parents and participants, we need your help to keep 4-H moving forward and serving youth. We have embarked on the replacement of the 54 cabins at Rock Eagle 4-H Center. This effort requires all of 4-H to step up and provide resources to assure a bright future at the world's largest 4-H center.

It was a record year for us, but 2008 must be better. That motto of ours is a challenging one — but I'm confident we will "make the best better" again.



Dr. Roger "Bo" Ryles, State 4-H Leader/Director of 4-H



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· Engagement
· in learning

· Opportunity
· for mastery

· Opportunity
· to value and
· practice service
· for others

· Positive
· relationship
· with a caring
· adult

· An inclusive
· environment

· A safe
· environment

· Opportunity to see
· oneself as an active
· participant in the future

· Opportunity for
· self-determination

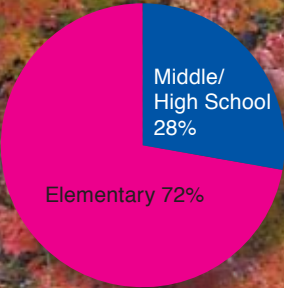
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· A national research impact assessment project revealed that four elements are essential to positive youth development. They are **MASTERY**, **GENEROSITY**, **BELONGING** and **INDEPENDENCE**. We have adopted this research and consider these areas to be the essential elements of 4-H.

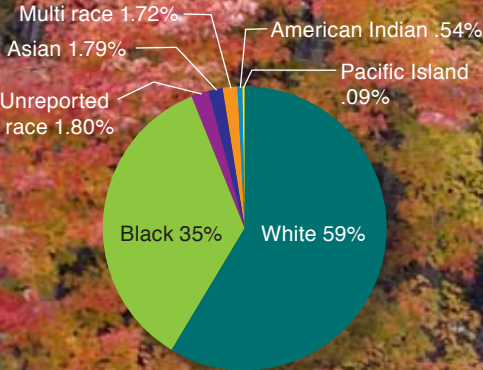
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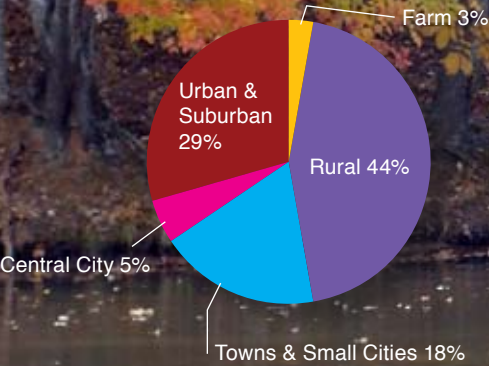
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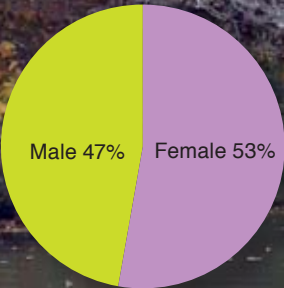
Diversity



Where



Gender



Project Achievement	6,052
4-H Camp	9,220
Agriculture	14,530
Family & Consumer Science	12,991
Leadership	1,539
Communications	3,857
Environmental Education	36,159
Center Use	105,593
Local Programs	1,028,555
Volunteers	21,238
Fort Valley	8,701

National honor goes to Tommy Irvin

By Cheryl Varnadoe

Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture Tommy Irvin is the state's newest member of the National 4-H Hall of Fame. Irvin received the honor during the National 4-H Week Celebration in Chevy Chase, Md., on October 5, 2007.

Georgia's Commissioner of Agriculture since 1969, Irvin has served in many leadership roles that have benefited Georgia 4-H. For more than 20 years, he has actively served on the Georgia 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees and on other 4-H and University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences advisory committees.

A 4-H donor, Irvin and his wife Bernice fund a scholarship for 4-H members and have leveraged and authorized hundreds of thousands of dollars to benefit 4-H.

"4-H scholarships allow young people



L-r: Dean Scott Angle, Tommy Irvin and Bo Ryles.

to continue to build on the skills and knowledge they learned through the 4-H programs," Irvin said. "We've seen the many varied opportunities for development that 4-H programs have afforded young people across the state, including our daughter, who was a national winner."

As commissioner, Irvin's efforts led to the eradication of hog cholera in the early 1970s. The U.S. Department of Agriculture adopted his plan nationally, which led to a hog-cholera-free nation in 1978. He also implemented eradication programs for brucellosis and tuberculosis in livestock, and Georgia has since become free of those diseases. And he developed and successfully implemented the Boll Weevil Eradication Program, too.

Irvin is the only Georgian ever to serve as president of the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture. He is also past president of the Southern Association of State Departments of Agriculture and the Southern U.S. Trade Association, an organization that promotes the export of Southern food and agricultural products. 🍀

UGA, Georgia 4-H and Rock Eagle celebrate the groundbreaking of a new dining hall



June 20, 2007 marked a historic day at Rock Eagle 4-H Center as construction began following a ground breaking ceremony on a new dining hall for the center. Scheduled to open in 2009, the new dining hall will have a state of the art kitchen which will include new food production technology, six serving lines, two dish rooms and will be designed with three 400 seat bays that can be used separately or as one room for 1,200. In addition, there will be an executive dining room for 25, a banquet room for 100 and a 40 seat employee dining room.

Georgia 4-H wishes to thank the many friends, supporters and elected officials who have worked tirelessly to make the new dining hall a reality. 🍀

Southern hospitality at its best:

Georgia 4-H agents host their peers from across the nation

BY SHARON OMAHEN

More than 1,300 4-H agents from across the nation gathered in Atlanta last October for what is being touted as one of the best National Association of Extension 4-H Agents' conferences ever.

With their state hosting, a total of 232 Georgia 4-H agents, specialists and volunteers pulled together as a team to plan the six-day event. Under the leadership of co-chairs Judy Ashley and Sandra McKinney, the group garnered \$201,101 in donations to enhance the \$707,000 conference budget.

The South is known for its hospitality and the 4-H team kept up the tradition.

"I am confident the momentum, enthusiasm, teamwork, and credibility seen at this conference will launch us forward."

— Bo Ryles

Conference attendees scored the planning committee superior on hospitality, attention to detail and team effort.

It had been 28 years since Georgia Extension provided leadership for the national conference.

The planning committee set and met the following goals for the conference:

- Encourage teamwork among all GAE4-HA members

Above: Co-chairs Judy Ashley and Sandra McKinney of the NAE4-HA conference 2007 address attendees.

Right: Bo Ryles, Sandra McKinney, Gov. Sonny Perdue, Judy Ashley and Dean Scott Angle.





"You make such wonderful connections in 4-H and I applaud all of you for what you're doing. Please don't stop, because you never know what a difference you're going to make in somebody's life."

— Jennifer Nettles

Jennifer Nettles, center, performs with Clovers & Company.



Clovers & Company

- Exceed 1,200 in attendance
- Show the impact of 4-H work through conference speakers
- Showcase Georgia 4-H youth
- Provide Southern hospitality to delegates
- Provide quality professional development opportunities while remaining within budget

"The conference had tremendous impact in a variety of ways," said Ashley.

"A total of 1,340 professionals from across the nation attended which was the second largest attendance in the history of NAE4-HA conferences."

In addition to professional development opportunities for the association members, the conference provided an opportunity for Georgia 4-H'ers to shine.

Seventy-five Georgia 4-H youth made presentations to the entire national delegation during the conference.

"This allowed them to improve their poise, public speaking skills, and self-confidence," said Ashley. And former Georgia 4-H'ers Nancy Grace of CNN and Jennifer Nettles of the band Sugarland were there to shine, too. They conveyed the impact 4-H had on their lives and careers.

"I was so impressed with the 4-H youth who were included on the program," said Don Floyd, CEO of the National 4-H Council. "(Georgia 4-H) raised the bar for



Nancy Grace

“When I faced my first jury for an opening statement, it was a piece of cake. I had been preparing for this experience ever since the fifth grade. Facing 12 jurors was nothing compared to three Extension agents listening to my demonstration.” — Nancy Grace



future national conferences to include youth.”

This was the second NAE4-HA conference hosted by Georgia 4-H. The first was 28 years ago.

“I do not recall any event in my 33 years with Cooperative Extension bringing together so much of the excellence of our organization,” said Georgia 4-H State Leader Bo Ryles. “I am confident the momentum, enthusiasm, teamwork, and credibility seen at this conference will launch us forward.” 🍀

NAE4-HA National Conference in Atlanta benefits all involved

For anyone who was even remotely involved with the Georgia Association of Extension 4-H Agents' (GAE4-HA) hosting of the national NAE4-HA Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference, there were opportunities for growth beyond the normal scope encountered in our everyday lives. What a spectacular event! More than 1,300 youth development professionals in one setting — one conference; one week; one purpose; one hotel (albeit two towers)!

It didn't matter if you were a Georgia county 4-H agent, a Georgia county agent in Agriculture and Natural Resources or Family and Consumer Sciences, a Georgia 4-H member, or a volunteer. Everyone had a job to do. In fact, most people were called upon multiple times to serve in multiple roles. It seemed that one of the most valuable lessons that individuals learned was that it wasn't really important whether you were called to lead or to follow and help. What was important was seeing a given task through to completion, all the while maintaining the highest possible standards. People learned to trust one another... implicitly, in some cases.

Never in my professional career have I seen a group of nearly 350 people work so hard and in such coordination to achieve a common goal. Noticeably, the efforts were not spent toiling in anonymity. Approaching the conclusion of the conference, I personally spoke to no fewer than 20 people, all of whom had attended multiple NAE4-HA conferences, and across the board their

reactions were remarkably similar. Never before had any one of them attended a national meeting this good, this well organized, this well planned, this well run or this much fun!

As an association, the benefits of hosting the NAE4-HA 2007 Conference will be visible for many years to come. The GAE4-HA leadership, both current and future, will benefit from the strengthening and honing of their skill sets — from planning and organizing to design and execution. From a credibility standpoint, the rest of the nation discovered in October 2007, if they weren't already aware, that Georgia 4-H is a vibrant, strong, capable and visionary organization, staffed by highly competent youth development professionals. Lastly, from a financial standpoint, the Association's efforts will allow it to realize a gain of at least several thousand dollars. Some of this money will be used to fund both scholarships and project development for Georgia 4-H members. Some of the money will be used to promote the profession and some to offset the cost of running the association on an annual basis. The remainder will be invested with the Georgia 4-H Foundation to grow and continue to support the development of the finest group of youth professionals in the state... Georgia's 4-H agents!

To the GAE4-HA membership — I have never been more proud of a group of co-workers. I am humbled by your commitment and your professionalism. Thank you! — Jeff Christie, GAE4-HA President

Legacy Ball unites alumni, raises funds

More than 300 alumni, friends and supporters of Georgia 4-H celebrated with an evening of fun, friends and fine dining at the 2007 Georgia 4-H Legacy Ball. The event was held August 11 at the Renaissance Waverly Hotel in Atlanta.

Walter Reeves, host of "Gardening in Georgia" and former 4-H'er and Extension agent, served as Master of Ceremonies of the triennial event. The nationally acclaimed 4-H performing arts group, Clovers & Co., provided entertainment.

The evening also afforded Georgia 4-H the opportunity to present the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award to former Georgia Commissioner of Transportation Wayne Shackelford. As a 4-H alumnus, his influence has benefitted 4-H for half a century.

Unique items were donated to the ball's silent auction which raised funds for Georgia 4-H's project achievement support fund. A cornerstone of 4-H youth development, project achievement helps 4-H'ers develop strong skills in both effective communication and specific areas of interest.

The legacy ball was co-chaired by Mallard Holliday and Mary Mills. The next ball will be held in 2010. 🍀



4-H Foundation Board Trustee Bob Burton and Dean Scott Angle speak with a 4-H supporter at the ball.



Walter Reeves serves as MC, entertaining the crowd of 300 with humorous stories.



Lifetime Achievement Award winner Wayne Shackelford reflects on his work with 4-H over the years.



Wayne Shackelford's family attended the event. Wayne is pictured with his daughter Carolyn Gazda.

GEORGIA 4-H PROGRAM READIES MILITARY KIDS

By Casey Mull



Just as our nation's military members train for mission readiness, Georgia 4-H trains the sons and daughters of military members for life readiness. Georgia 4-H partners with each of Georgia's military installations which have school age and youth centers.

With the fifth largest military population in the nation, Georgia presents a tremendous opportunity to provide positive youth development each day in the before and after-school programs coordinated by the Department of Defense.

Installation staff, like Carolyn Carr at Fort Benning, facilitate local 4-H

programming and bring youth to district and state events such as Junior Rallies, District Project Achievement and State 4-H Council. In addition to the traditional 4-H programming, unique, local partnerships exist like the one between Moody Air Force Base and Lowndes County 4-H. Each year they collaborate for an overnight retreat, Girl Power!, to build self-esteem and self-respect among female students.

General David Poythress, Adjutant General of Georgia, and his wife Elizabeth addressed 800 youth at State 4-H Council after leading 4-H'ers of voting age in the Oath

of Citizenship during the annual Citizenship Ceremony. The Adjutant General serves as the highest ranking military officer in the Georgia National Guard. General and Mrs. Poythress spoke about heroes throughout history and urged 4-H'ers to become heroes in their own communities.

Georgia: Operation Military Kids provides support and youth development



CAES Administrators and National Guard and Reserve Component staff along with Georgia 4-H'ers support Operation: Military Kids. Created by youth at Operation: Joint Forces at the Falls, artwork was on display at the State Capitol from Leadership/4-H Day at the Capitol to National Guard Day at the Capitol.



Muscogee County 4-H'ers, Al'Shondra Harris and Nayasia Coleman, accept a United States Flag and a 4-H Flag with their 4-H Leader Carolyn Carr from General David Poythress, Elizabeth Poythress and John Baggott, Army Southeast Region Youth Development Specialist, for display in the Fort Benning Youth Center. Each military installation 4-H Program received flags flown over the US Capitol and National 4-H Headquarters.

opportunities for families experiencing deployment. From collecting money to send boiled peanuts to the 48th Brigade of the Georgia National Guard to distributing Hero Packs throughout the state, Georgia 4-H'ers take the lead in supporting military families 'in their own backyard.'

Military 'kids' give to the program, too. Heather Williams, a collegiate Georgia 4-H'er and former Speak Out for Military Kids Ambassador, presented at the Children, Youth and Families at Risk Conference in May. She spoke about the issues she and other military youth face each day while their military-parent is deployed.



The partnership in Georgia only continues to grow. Through 2011, more than 15,000 soldiers, airmen, sailors and marines will PCS (permanent-change of station) to Georgia installations. These soldiers will bring their spouses and children with them. As their parents train for mission readiness through their four H's — helicopters, howitzers, humvees and hoo-ahs, their children will continue to showcase head, heart, hands and health for life readiness through Georgia 4-H. 🌿

SOMK AMBASSADOR SEES MILITARY LIFE FIRSTHAND

By Stephanie Schupska

At first glance, Heather Williams comes across as a typical University of Georgia freshman, bubbling about her future opportunities. But there's a flicker in her eyes that reveals this political science major has worried about more than clothes and relationships.

She's had to watch her dad deploy. He's currently in Iraq for the second time. He's been to both Afghanistan and Bosnia. And with 14 years in, some of which don't count because he switched from the Navy to the Marines to the Army, he'll probably hear Heather and her four siblings say goodbye a few more times.

"There's a lot of waiting," Heather said, "for bad news and good news. If you know your dad is gone on a mission and you know somebody died, you don't know if your dad matches the person who died. There's a lot of anxiety."

Heather has trouble naming a hometown. She was born in Virginia, moved to North Carolina when she was eight, moved to Hawaii and, finally, in the 10th grade, settled in Georgia. It was in Georgia that she discovered 4-H, its ambassador program and Operation: Military Kids.

Operation: Military Kids is a national initiative involving 42 states with high levels of National Guard and Reserve deployment. Programs are being designed for these youth to help them find positive ways to cope with the stress of their parents' deployment.

And while Heather doesn't fit the Reserve youth category — she's been an active duty military kid most of her life — the OMK program "helped me learn how to cope with things better," she said. "And it helped me help my mom... prepare my mom, especially now that I'm not there."

The program, she said, helped her discover resources available to military families. And it allowed her to see a military world in Georgia that stretches well beyond Ft. Stewart in Hinesville.

After graduation, Heather plans to join Teach For America, work as a high school government teacher, spend some time in the Peace Corps, get advanced degrees in education and then head off to politics.

Her ultimate goal is to be national school superintendent. After repeating classes because they didn't transfer between states, she wants a national curriculum.

Right now, though, she's serving as a voice for Georgia's military families. At a national conference this spring, she plans to speak on what deployment has meant for her family, and how it has deeply affected her siblings' lives.

"I think there needs to be a lot more awareness of military families, a lot more legislative help." And when it comes to local involvement, Heather said there needs to be more concern, "more help for families, physical help that goes beyond money, food and a phone tree."

4-H gave Athens businessman confidence, lifelong friends By Sharon Omahen

Like most 4-H'ers, Athens chef Peter Dale has fond memories of his 4-H days. He credits the 4-H program for teaching him public speaking, leadership and citizenship skills. But he's most grateful for the lifelong friends he met through 4-H.

Now a confident and successful businessman, Dale was once a shy and quiet Clarke County 4-H'er. "I started out as a 4-H'er in fifth grade like everyone else, but it wasn't until seventh grade that I began concentrating on 4-H in earnest," said Dale, co-owner and chef of The National restaurant in downtown Athens, Ga.

His early DPA projects focused on poultry because of his father's influence.

"I started out in poultry because of my dad even though I didn't know much about chickens," remembers Dale. His father is UGA CAES poultry scientist Nick Dale.

Dale switched to consumer education where he later mastered. "I competed in consumer judging, cotton boll, poultry and forestry," he said. "Our team from Cedar Shoals High School won state in consumer and cotton."

He enrolled in UGA, majored in public relations and, of course, was active in Collegiate 4-H. "Along with Georgia Southern, we hosted the National Collegiate 4-H Conference in Savannah," he said.

Six years ago, Dale discovered his love

of culinary arts. He first worked as a chef's apprentice at Five and Ten restaurant in Athens, Ga. "I went to Spain a few times for stages (internships)," he said. "Then the opportunity to open the restaurant here came up last year."

4-H actually influenced Dale's career choice. "The first meals I ever served were breakfasts at 4-H camp at Rock Eagle," he said.

Dale now creates Mediterranean dishes at The National. "I guess I picked up my love of ethnic food from my parents," he said. "We traveled a lot when I was young and they exposed my brother and me to different cultures and encouraged us to try unusual dishes. Eating at ethnic restaurants and learning about cultures was always a part of our childhood."

But running a restaurant isn't just about food. "I create the menus and I'm responsible for the daily operations of the kitchen," he said. "Then there's the business side which includes payroll and taxes. It's not just about cooking."

Now a successful businessman, Dale credits 4-H for helping him become a confident public speaker. "I was really shy and 4-H gave me the confidence to face a crowd," he said. "Now I do it every day in the dining room when I greet guests. And the leadership and citizenship lessons help me in my roles as a supervisor."

Life skills aren't the only things Dale gained through his 4-H experience. "My oldest and dearest friends aren't necessarily friends from high school," he said. "Some of my closest friends are friends I made in 4-H. I met one of my best friends at DPA. 4-H is still a part of my life due to those connections." 🍀



Peter Dale is shown outside The National, the Athens, Ga., restaurant he co-owns. Dale also serves as the restaurant's head chef. He credits 4-H for giving him the public speaking skills he needed to pursue a career working in such a public-oriented field.

Jekyll Island 4-H Center celebrates 25 years with Georgia 4-H

Jekyll 4-H Center is celebrating its silver anniversary. Georgia 4-H first leased the property in the summer of 1983 to expand its summer camping program.

School year environmental education programs were added in 1987. To date, more than 176,000 people have participated in Jekyll's environmental education programs and more than 25,000 have participated in its summer camp program.

The camp's facility has a rich history as it was originally built in the late 1950's as an African-American hotel. It was operated as the Dolphin Club and Motor Hotel from 1959 until 1966. The Dolphin Club Lounge and Restaurant, located across from the hotel, attracted popular artists of the era including B.B. King, Clarence Carter, Tyrone Davis and Percy Sledge. 🌿

National Radon Poster Contest

Radon is a colorless, odorless, tasteless, and chemically inert radioactive gas. It is formed by the natural radioactive decay of uranium in rock, soil, and water. Naturally existing, low levels of uranium occur widely in Earth's crust. It can be found in all 50 states. Unless you test for it, there is no way of telling how much is present. The National Safety Council, in partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, sponsored the 2007 National Radon Poster Contest for children ages 9–14 to generate interest, enthusiasm, and action about radon safety and to increase the number of homes tested for radon. 🌿



Michaela Smoot, age 11, 6th grader at Youth Middle School in Loganville, Ga., Walton County, created the radon poster that placed 1st in state. On the left are Dean Laura Jolly and Jorge Atilas, both of the College of Family and Consumer Sciences.





L– R: Hunter Brock, Trey Smagur, Drew Bowers, Abbey Hufstetler, Emily Backes, Katie Comer, Erine-Fay Dennis, Tareva Moore and Michael Leggett.

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DANCE

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Emily Duke, Henry County

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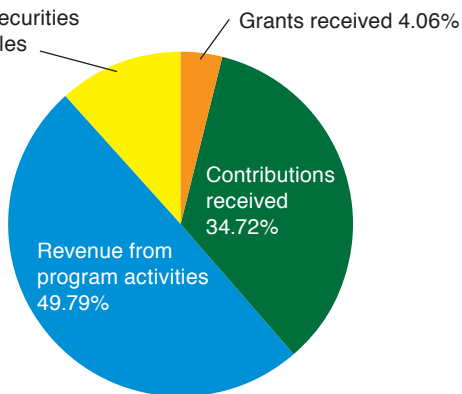
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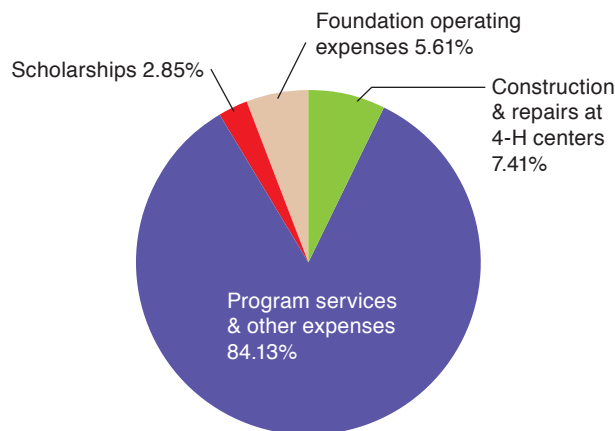
Beginning Net Assets	7/01/2006	3,348,156
Ending Net Assets	6/30/2007	3,531,492
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		183,336

Interest, dividends on marketable securities and horse sales 11.44%



INCOME

Grants received	145,724
Contributions received	1,247,289
Revenue from program activities	1,788,476
Interest, dividends on marketable securities and horse sales	410,847
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,592,336



EXPENSES

Construction & repairs at 4-H centers	252,458
Program services & other expenses	2,867,977
Scholarships	97,320
Foundation operating expenses	191,245
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,409,000

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