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## 2019 Volunteer Spotlight

Did you know volunteer time in 2019 was worth

\$5,644,789?

But volunteer contributions are priceless!

### **Program Year Snapshot**

**2,010** Teens served **62,285** Hours

5,777 Adults served 156,675 Hours

Including:

149 Certified Judging Coaches for Forestry, Cotton Boll & Consumer, Poultry, Land and Wildlife Judging

326 Volunteer-Led Clubs

1073 Certified Judges for Project Achievement

1152 Certified SAFE Coaches for Archery, Pistol, Rifle, and Shotgun

**3302** Volunteer Chaperones at District or State Events



### "Getting Started" Was Piloted and Launched!

Georgia 4-H piloted the Getting Started Volunteer Orientation and Certification this year in Bleckley and Houston Counties! Complete with history, a program overview, and the Essential Elements, it provides an opportunity for volunteers to learn about 4-H and its initiatives. Volunteers provided meaningful feedback to enhance this certification.

This fall, this certification not only integrated new volunteer, it was also integrated into SAFE training this fall. SAFE participants completed the blended learning prior to their face-to-face training. As a result, SAFE training is one day is one day shorter. Thanks to Bleckley and Houston Co. volunteers for piloting!







#### **Georgia 4-H Salutes Volunteer Excellence**

**Jenna Black** serves on the Georgia 4-H Foundation Board of Directors and the Georgia 4-H Camp Counselor Alumni Association Board of Directors, and for the last four years, served the Georgia 4-H Advisory Committee as chair-elect and chair. Regardless of the role, her passion for Georgia 4-H can be immediately recognized!

**David Haire** volunteers with Tift County 4-H as BB Coach of 23 years; he has also served as a State SAFE Rifle Instructor and Air Pistol Instructor. (He has mentored a young person to making a Junior Olympics Team!) He has trained hundreds of coaches who regularly call on him for advice. David serves on the Georgia 4-H Rifle Advisory Committee.

**Mark Morris,** Safety Officer for the Georgia National Guard, has given emphasis on firearm etiquette and safe gun handling that has resulted in youth and adults alike who are confident and secure in their shooting skills. While sharing his knowledge with hundreds of youth, he has served as a great role model for Georgia 4-H and Chatham County 4-H through shootings sports, judging competitions, and 4-H conferences!

**Danny Pincus**, Morgan County 4-H Archery leader, has coached several Georgia 4-H championship teams and travelled numerous times to the National 4-H Shooting Sports competition where his teams consistently finish in the top ten, and mostly in the top five teams! In addition, he serves on the Project SAFE Archery Advisory Committee.

**Stanley Spillers** serves as a major advocate of Crawford County 4-H! He has transported youth, chaperoned at events, assisted in the office, and chaperoned at Fall Forum, Project Achievement, camp, and anything asked! He has helped students prepare for competition and has judged county Project Achievement in the classroom.

**Ashley Yeager** serves Coweta County 4-H in whatever is needed – from horse programs and shooting sports to fair booths and fundraising! Her service also includes organizing paperwork, organizing meetings, cleaning after events, chaperoning trips, and driving youth to competitions! She coordinates the program's largest fundraiser!

#### **Georgia 4-H Wins National Award**

Georgia 4-H MyPI (My Preparedness Initiative) was awarded the National Citizenship in 4-H Youth Development Award by the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents! The award was presented in November at the Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. Congratulations to faculty/staff and volunteers who led MyPI in 6 counties across Georgia in 2019 in Calhoun, Dougherty, Haralson, Morgan, Turner, and Wilcox counties! Graduates self-reported knowing how to better plan for their future, consider their actions, manage stress, communicate, and cooperate with others! Congratulations, MyPI Georgia!



# Joey Eller, Southern Region Volunteer Advisor

Joey Eller represented Georgia 4-H and Northeast District on the Southern Region 4-H Volunteer Advisory Group for 2 years! The group meets monthly to give guidance to the Volunteer Conference of Southern States. The conference turned to a national audience during his term!



#### Ten Years of Georgia 4-H VISTAs!

Georgia 4-H celebrates 10 years of partnership with the Corporation of National and Community Service! Through Georgia 4-H VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America) projects, members build capacity through volunteer development, fundraising, social marketing, and more. Since 2010, Georgia 4-H VISTAs have raised more than \$677,000 in cash and non-cash resources, produced more than 1,500 marketing pieces, and recruited more than 3,000 volunteers.



