

### Adults needed as volunteers in 4-H program



Over 11,000 adults shared a most precious gift—their time—with Colorado 4-H youth in 2010-11.

Those numbers have steadily been increasing, and we are fortunate to have over 25 adult volunteers in the Phillips County 4-H program.

The majority of our volunteers are involved in direct service with youth—teaching, guiding and advising them in community-based groups or clubs.

It has been and continues to be the foundation of 4-H. Our 4-H program invites you to consider becoming a volunteer in our program.

A person doesn't have to have a degree in a specific field to become a volunteer in the Phillips County 4-H program. As long as you have a passion for working with children and an interest in a certain area, we will utilize your strengths with appreciation.

The majority of volunteers are actually recruited by existing volunteers—friends, neighbors, acquaintances and parents of children who ask other parents. There are many ways to volunteer—as a club leader, project leader, chaperone, activity leader and much more.

Many clubs are using a lateral leadership model where they utilize volunteers for short, specific leadership activities such as enrollment, fundraising and community service.

Phillips County 4-H is gearing up for the 2012-13 4-H year and is currently seeking volunteers to

## Extension Corner

Written by Kindra Plumb

---

work with and guide the youth of our county. There are a number of the general 4-H projects in which youth are interested in learning about, and we need mentors to assist in their learning!

For a complete listing of the 4-H project areas, more information on the volunteer process or more information on the 4-H program in general, please contact the Phillips County Extension Office at 970-854-3616. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination.

Holyoke Enterprise October 18, 2012