

SUBMIT YOUR RECORD BOOK FOR 4-H AWARDS!

County 4-H Awards will be presented at the 4-H Fair and County Awards Program in October. Recognition will be presented to 4-H members that have done an outstanding job in their 4-H projects all year long. County awards are certificates or county medals. Parents and/or leaders may recommend a 4-Her for a county award. Attach your recommendation to the 4-H record book and submit it on or before September 30th to the UConn Tolland County Extension Center, 24 Hyde Avenue, Vernon, CT, 06066 (4-H Office)

DEADLINE: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2025 by 5 pm

County Recognition Certificates may be awarded to 4-H members of any age who have done an outstanding job in a project area for at least two (2) years. Certificates may be received more than once if the 4-H member continues to show growth and outstanding progress in the project area. Certificates are not a pre-requisite for receiving a county medal, but continue to show growth and citizenship in the project area. Leader recommendation is required.

County Medals may be awarded to 4-H members twelve (12) years or older as of January 1st of the project year. A county medal is awarded in a project area only once. 4-H record book and leader recommendation are required. The nominee must:

- Be involved in 4-H project for at least **three (3) years**
- Exhibit continued growth and outstanding work in the 4-H project area
- Exhibit leadership and citizenship in sharing/teaching project skills to other 4-Hers.

4-H Member Awards

County medal awards are available in the following areas. Please indicate which area the 4-H member is being nominated for. Recognition certificates may be awarded in any area in which a 4-H member has met the criteria, not only those listed below. The awards will be presented on October 18, 2025, at the Tolland County 4-H Awards and Recognition Night.

Achievement	Agriculture	Beef	Child Care
Citizenship	Clothing	Dairy	Dairy Foods
Dog	Entomology	Forestry	Gardening
Poultry	Public Speaking	Photography	Rabbit
Safety	Sheep	Wood Science	Swine
Fashion Review	Leisure/Pleasure	Food & Nutrition	
Food Conservation, Preservation and Safety		Conservation & Natural Resources	

2024-2025 Tolland County 4-H Award Application

Name: _____ Number of Years in 4-H: _____

Age: _____ Name of Club: _____

Please Check One

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County Recognition Certificate

Leader Recommendation

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County Medal

Record Book Must Be Submitted

Area of Award Requested (see instruction page): _____

Leader's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Attach a statement of why this 4-H member should be considered for the recognition requested. Include quality of work, attendance, motivation, what you have observed s/he has learned, and leadership. Please be specific. State actual events where the applicant exhibited behavior that qualifies him/her for this award.

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Club Citizenship Awards

Has your club done something interesting this year? A special 4-H project or an interesting community service? Submit your story to the Tolland County 4-H Office by October 1st to be considered for the Club Citizenship Award, which will be presented at the October Awards Dinner. The \$50 award sponsored by the Tolland County 4-H Advisory Committee can be used by your club in any way to support other community service activities. In case of a tied score, preference will be given to a club that has not received this award before.

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Beverly Vrendenburg Outstanding 4-H Horse Member Award

In memory of a former 4-H leader, and extension office secretary, this 4-H award is presented annually to a 4-H member who shows outstanding involvement in a horse project. Qualifications include an up-to-date record book detailing leadership and citizenship activities and Connecticut Recognition form. The Beverly Vrendenburg Outstanding Tolland County 4-H Horse Member Award application is available under forms & resources

Rules and Regulations:

1. 4-Hers must have had a horse project for a minimum of two (2) years.
2. Previous year's record book will be judged on completeness through September 30th, current year's book will be judged on completeness through submittal date.
3. Must be standard 4-H project record for horse.
4. Past winners are eligible to compete.
5. Award is judged on: 50% Horse Project, 25% Leadership and 25% Citizenship.
6. 4-H members are strongly encouraged to submit an application for themselves. 4-H leaders may also submit recommendations for qualifying members.
7. The 4-H Advisory Committee will select the recipient, and the award will be presented on October 18, 2025.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th by 5 pm is the deadline for all submissions!