RESOURCE VOLUNTEER
Volunteer Position Description

Position: Resource Volunteer

Advisor: County 4-H Extension Professional Staff, and if applicable, a 4-H volunteer.

Purpose: Enhance the 4-H program on a short-term basis by providing support, training, and/or education for members and/or volunteers in a specific skill and/or competency.

Expectations:
- Report signs of child abuse/neglect as required by law.
- Accept supervision from and work in partnership with Extension professionals.
- Work collaboratively with project/organizational volunteers.
- Serve as a role model for positive ethical/moral attitudes and behaviors.
- Maintain clear, frequent communication with Extension staff and if applicable, other volunteers.
- Help ensure a safe environment if attending any 4-H function.
- Agree to and abide by the University of Idaho/Idaho 4-H Policies and Procedures, the Idaho 4-H Code of Conduct, and any other Extension and/or specific county guidelines.

Responsibilities: Youth and Family
- Be committed to youth and their development in all areas, regardless of needs or abilities.

Responsibilities: Program Resource
- Design and/or deliver a specific lesson and/or short-term special interest program for 4-H members and/or volunteers.
- Become familiar with the purpose of 4-H programs and the guidelines for the program or event originating the request.
- Learn basic information about the audience. i.e.: ages, number involved, interests of participants, skill levels.
- Follow through with the agreed upon responsibilities, evaluate and share the effectiveness of the presentation.

Commitment:
- Term: Varies according to the request. Usually 1-4 times a year.
- Time: Varies according to needs of the request.
Desired Personal Attributes:
• Enthusiastic attitude; interest in and ability to work with 4-H members and volunteers.
• A commitment to be a positive role model.
• Current and, if appropriate, research-based skills/knowledge related to requested area of focus.
• Awareness of written resource materials and career opportunities related to the topic.

Specific Requirements: If appropriate:
• Successfully complete a background screen and the Protecting Minors Training.
• Sign the Idaho 4-H Policies and Procedures, Code of Conduct, and the appropriate Position Description.
• Attend any educational training as required by Idaho 4-H, University of Idaho, and/or your specific county.

Resources Provided:
• Orientation to 4-H and project/event specific details.
• Limited quantity of handout materials may be copied.
• Additional support as appropriate that will help ensure a successful volunteering experience.

Benefits of Position: Opportunities to:
• Share and teach others valued skills.
• Contribute to the 4-H positive youth development program as a role model to participating youth.
• Utilize a flexible time commitment.

Volunteer Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Extension Professional Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________ 4-HYear