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**Dane County Board of Supervisors Recognizes
the Impact of 4-H Clubs in Dane County**

DANE COUNTY, Wis. — On Thursday, Nov. 6, 2025, the Dane County Board of Supervisors officially recognized the impact of 4-H clubs, members, volunteers and UW-Extension staff who make 4-H a thriving part of youth development in Dane County. The board passed [2025 RES-208](#) to honor the work of more than 900 youth members and nearly 250 adult volunteers who participate across 33 community clubs and programs.

Locally, 4-H includes the Youth Governance Program, By Youth For Youth, and the Youth Advocates for Community Health program. Together, these members and mentors help build leadership, confidence and civic engagement among young people.

“I’m proud to recognize the work of 4-H leaders and adult volunteers while encouraging the next generation to get involved with their local clubs.” said Supervisor Sarah Smith (Dist. 24), who presented the resolution. “I know firsthand that 4-H builds a lifelong commitment to service, leadership and community. Across Wisconsin, 4-H helps young people gain confidence, learn new skills and grow into future leaders — just as it did for me.”

National 4-H Week, celebrated earlier this year from Oct. 5 through Oct. 11, highlighted the program’s long-standing tradition of empowering youth through the four pillars represented in the 4-H clover: Head, Heart, Health and Hands. Dane County’s 4-H members exemplify these principles by engaging in community service projects such as cleaning highways, playing bingo with seniors, making blankets for people in need and placing flags at cemeteries to honor veterans on Memorial Day.

The Dane County Board of Supervisors reaffirms its support for youth leadership and education programs that encourage civic participation and strengthen connections across Dane County’s urban and rural communities.

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About 4-H in Dane County: Dane County 4-H is part of the UW-Extension network, offering opportunities for youth to learn leadership, citizenship and life skills through hands-on experiences. The program serves 918 youth and 247 adult volunteers across 33 community clubs and specialized programs. Learn more at <https://dane.extension.wisc.edu/>.

About the Dane County Board of Supervisors: The Dane County Board of Supervisors is the legislative and policymaking body of Dane County government. Composed of 37 supervisors elected to represent each county district, the county board's mission is to effectively represent the people of Dane County, providing services that secure the blessings of freedom, ensure domestic tranquility, promote the general welfare, and perfect the forms of government. Learn more about the county board at <https://board.danecounty.gov/>.