

Group Project Information

2020 4-H Canada Club to Club Exchanges



Overview of Group Project

As part of the 4-H Canada Club to Club Exchanges program, each exchange group must complete a Group Project made up of 3 parts. The goals of the Group Project are to:

- Encourage exchange participants to learn about the community they will be visiting
- Strengthen the sense of pride in, and give back to, one's own community
- Reflect upon their Canadian experience, their learnings and the relationships they built.

4-H Canada has developed this experiential learning group activity so that exchange participants develop a genuine interest in Canada's vibrant culture and heritage, and so that lasting connections with youth from communities across the country can be built.

Part 1: Bringing History to Life

As a group, you will research a topic of historical or cultural significance that **occurred in the community you will be visiting**. We encourage early conversations between the groups so they might make suggestions on what the topic of this project could be, and you can do the same for them. During the exchange, a visit to experience the subject of the project should be built into the hosting activities. The project can be in a power point format, or a video, but should reflect that all members participating in the exchange has taken an active role in the research and putting the project together. There should be obvious effort to learn put into the project, and any sources should be cited.

The completed project will be shared with your twinned group and with our partner, Canadian Heritage.

Part 2: Strengthening Your Community - A Service Project

4-H Canada's Hands to Larger Service Program provides senior 4-H members the opportunity to work with a Club to Club group and lead them through the brainstorming, planning and execution of a community service project. Groups will be connected with their Youth Service Leader in February 2020.

**In the case where adequate funding is not achieved, the Hands to Larger Service / Youth Service Leader program is subject to cancellation and this funding will not be available.*

Part 3: Post-Exchange Feedback

After both parts of the exchange have taken place, participants and chaperones will be asked to share their experiences and provide feedback by completing two surveys and submitting a final report.

- A link to an **online survey** will be provided to group contacts in July on behalf of our partner, the Department of Canadian Heritage. A Certificate of Participation can be requested from the Department of Canadian Heritage and they have a short survey for parents as well.

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- A 4-H Canada **online survey** must be completed by all participants so that we can learn about the successes of the program and the areas for improvement for future exchanges in years to come. The link for this survey will be distributed as the second part of the exchange wraps up.
- A **written report** summarizing the exchange experience, activities that took place, reflection from the participants on what impact the experience had on them, and a summary of the community service project and its impact should be completed. Please include testimonials, photos, media coverage and examples of sponsor recognition that can be shared with our sponsor and used to promote this 4-H Canada opportunity. A report task is the final part of the online process.

