

## **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY**

Financial assistance is available to any current Waukesha County 4-H member.

The purpose of financial assistance is to assist a current Waukesha County 4-H member to participate in a planned 4-H activity who would have otherwise been unable to participate due to a financial hardship.

To obtain financial assistance the member or members parent/guardian shall submit a request to the Financial Assistance Committee, consisting of the Executive Board President, the 4-H Youth Development Agent and the Chairperson of the Finance Committee, at a mutually agreed upon time and location.

The request must be made at least four weeks prior to the due date of money that would normally be paid by the member for the activity.

The Financial Assistance Committee, consisting of the Executive Board President, the 4-H Youth Development Agent and the Chairperson of the Finance Committee shall review the application as a committee and has the authority to approve or deny any request for assistance.

All financial assistance will be given as a credit towards money normally paid by a member to participate in a planned 4-H activity. The amount of the credit will not exceed 70% of the amount a member would normally pay to participate in that activity.

The member or member's parent/guardian will not be required to repay to the Waukesha County 4-H Leaders Association any amount given as financial assistance.

Each request for financial assistance will be viewed as an individual situation and will not affect the decision on subsequent requests for assistance.

All requests for financial assistance will be held in strict confidence.