



## Donald L. Deege Memorial

**INTRODUCTION:** Donald Deege was born in 1961 in southern California. At age 18 he joined the U.S. Army and spent 3 years as military police in New Mexico. After his discharge he moved to Washington, joining his parents who owned a cow/calf operation in southwest Washington. At the age of 30 Mr. Deege became an active 4-H leader in southwest Washington. In 1991 he and his sister started a horse 4-H project in the county where they lived using their parents farm as their meeting place and training center. The club consisted of approximately 30 members and is still in existence today. Mr. Deege loved music. He played just about any instrument imaginable from the 12 string guitar to the banjo, piano, organ, accordion, flute, etc. He also played the organ and piano at the church where he attended. Mr. Deege moved to Iowa in 2010 and became a talk show host of the local TV station interviewing individuals interesting to the communities. Mr. Deege, after a short illness, passed away in August 2013. His father and sister set up the memorial fund to be able to help 4-H members as he tried to help them during his life.

**Who:** Any 4-H member (age range 9-18)

**What:** \$250-\$500 for project support

**Where:** Recipients will be announced at the Lewis & Clark County Fair | Last Chance Stampede & Fair

**When:** **Applications due July 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Why:** To support 4-H members

**How:** Submit your application to

Lewis and Clark County 4-H

100 W. Custer

Helena, MT 59602

Contact: Mary Meyer [mary.meyer@montana.edu](mailto:mary.meyer@montana.edu) or 406-447-8346

### How it works

- Fill out the application and submit by the above due date.
- This memorial fund application must be completed in its entirety by the 4-H member in his/her own words and signed by the 4-H Club Leader and 4-H Project Leader in the applicable project area
- Applicants may be interviewed.
- Criteria: Each individual applying for this fund must submit a detailed response to the questions which follow. A maximum of \$500 will be given to one or more individuals, who in the opinion of the review committee, meets all of the requirements. The funds will be awarded at Fair time and given to the recipients by September 1st of the year he/she qualifies. A total of **\$1500** is available and will be given based on needs and qualifications.
- Only active members of the Lewis and Clark County 4-H organization are eligible to participate.

Recipients will be selected by a committee. The committee will be set up by the County Extension Agent. No family member of an applicant will be on the selection committee.

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Name:

Email:

Address:

Age:

Phone number:

4-H Club:

Attach as many pages as needed

- 1) Please explain in detail what you would use the monies for and why:
- 2) Do you sell anything in the 4-H Indoor Project Auction or the 4-H Livestock Auction at the Lewis and Clark County Fair? If so, what are the proceeds of the sale used for?
- 3) If you did not receive this memorial award, would it keep you from purchasing what you are interested in?
- 4) Meeting participation: Do you attend at least 75% of your 4-H club and project meetings?
- 5) Do you help other, younger 4-H members, when possible? Please provide examples.
- 6) One of the following is required: Pictures, a story, drawings of your plans, your record book, or any other creative work is welcome.

By September 15<sup>th</sup> after the sponsored year is complete, I will submit my record book with the receipts for how the money was spent to the Extension Office. Attach a detailed spreadsheet on how the award funds were used.

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Applicant Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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4-H Club Leader Signature

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Date

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4-H Project Leader Signature

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Date

Send this cover page and attached pages to:  
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100 W. Custer  
Helena, MT 59602

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