Helena McDonald’s 4-H Livestock Project Sponsorship

INTRODUCTION: Helena McDonald’s Owner, Terry Gauthier, always wanted to raise an animal or live on a ranch. He would have loved to have livestock, but was raised in city limits. Not only is Terry a strong supporter of 4-H and the 4-H Livestock Auction, but he wants to give new and existing 4-H members a chance to raise an animal.

Who: Preference given to any new 4-H member (age range 9-18), followed by a 4-H member new to the livestock project that does not have the means or place to raise an animal.
What: $500 for hog, sheep, or goat projects OR $1,000 for steer projects
Where: Lewis and Clark County  Last Chance Stampede and Fair
When: Applications due October 18th
How: Submit your application to
Lewis and Clark County 4-H
100 W. Custer
Helena, MT 59602
or to Kara Tangedal kara.tangedal@montana.edu (406) 447-8346

How it works
- Fill out the application and submit to the Lewis and Clark County Extension Office by October 18th, 2019
- The recipients, after a vetting process, will get to choose an animal to raise. Only (1) steer project will be awarded. Recipients will be announced within 30 days.
- Applicants may be interviewed.
- Lewis and Clark County 4-H will help you find a 4-H Club to join and connect you with the 4-H volunteer leader within your project area (hog, sheep, goat, or beef/steer)
- 4-H will help find a host location.

As a recipient
- Raising an animal is a big commitment, but we have many people willing to help!
- As a new member, you and your parent/guardian will meet with the host location’s owner to see if it is a good match as far as housing and travel distance to care for your animal.
- McDonald’s will provide the sponsorship up front so you can purchase an animal and buy some feed or supplies.
- Raising animals comes with costs and risks. Costs associated with raising an animal from feed, supplies, vaccinations, healthcare, or vet services are the responsibility of the animal owner.
- The recipient, parent/guardian will sign an agreement with the host location/land owner.
- Logistics and transportation are the responsibility of the animal owner.

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.
Applicants due October 18th, 2019 to the Lewis and Clark County Extension Office

Name: 
Address: 
Phone number: 
Email: 
Birthdate: 

I would like to take a: 
(Circle One) Hog Sheep Goat Steer

Attach pages as needed

1. Explain why you would like to receive the sponsorship.

2. What do you think you will gain or learn from raising an animal?

3. What are the ups or downs you think might be related to raising an animal?

4. What are your goals?

5. Please enclose a letter of support from your parent or guardian.

6. Attach a detailed spreadsheet on how the award funds will be used.

By September 13th 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. If I do not, I understand my 4-H year will be considered incomplete and I will not get to participate in 4-H events or the livestock sale in 2021.

_________________________________________________________  ________________________________
Applicant Signature                                      Date

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Parent/Guardian                                          Date

Send this cover page and attached pages to: 
Lewis and Clark County 4-H 
C/O Kara Tangedal 
100 W. Custer 
Helena, MT 59602

Contact: Kara Tangedal, MSU Extension 
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406-447-8346

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