

## SHARON FOURMAN MEMORIAL Darke County 4-H Volunteer of the Year

### Description

This award recognizes 4-H volunteers who have gone above and beyond in their contributions to the 4-H program. It is named in honor of Sharon Fourman, who served as a 4-H volunteer in Darke County for 30 years. Sharon volunteered her time and talents to many different aspects of the 4-H program, as well as community organizations. Sharon is fondly remembered for her love of 4-H, her sense of humor, and her contagious laughter!

### Nomination and Selection Criteria

All current adult 4-H volunteers are eligible who: 1) at the time application for the award is made, have at least five years of adult volunteer service to the Darke County 4-H program; 2) have a wide range of contributions to 4-H on the club, county, district, state, or national level; 3) serve as a positive influence in the lives of 4-H members in Darke County; and 4) have not previously received the award.

One recipient will be selected annually. They will be recognized during the Darke County 4-H Spring Recognition and Kick-Off program, typically held on Sunday of Ohio 4-H Week, in March.

### Information to be included in application (Due to the Extension Office by January 20, 2023.

1. Attach three typed narratives, approximately 300 words or less each, that address the following:
  - a. Describe the accomplishments of this nominee over their lifetime of service to 4-H.
  - b. Describe the impact on the lives of 4-H members and on the 4-H organization.
  - c. Describe what is different, special or unique about this volunteer that sets them apart from others.
2. List all 4-H committees and boards with which they have been involved.  
*Note: no additional pages of information, photos, and/or news clippings should be included. The application is limited to a maximum of four, single-sided pages (not including references).*
3. Attach two letters of reference, representing two of the following groups:
  - a. Current 4-H members
  - b. Former 4-H members
  - c. Community Leaders

### Award and Presentation Details

A committee, appointed by the family of Sharon Fourman, will review the applications and select the recipient. The recipient of this award will be notified by mail from the Extension Office. The recipient will be recognized during the 4-H Spring Recognition and Kick-Off Program.

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*Application Cover Sheet*

Name of Nominee:

Address:

City/State/Zip Code:

Email:

Phone:

Years of involvement in 4-H work:

Name of Nominator:

Address:

City/State/Zip Code:

Email:

Phone:

Signature of Nominator:

Date:

**Send or email nominations to:**

OSU Extension, Darke County  
Attn: Rhonda Williams  
603 Wagner Avenue  
Greenville OH 45331  
[williams.418@osu.edu](mailto:williams.418@osu.edu)

***Completed applications must be received  
by the Extension Office by 4:30pm on January 20, 2023.***

1. Provide three narratives, approximately 300 words or less each, that address the following:
  - a. Describe the accomplishments of this nominee over the lifetime of their service to the Darke County 4-H program.

- b. Describe the impact of the lives of Darke County 4-H members and on the 4-H organization beyond their local club.

- c. Describe what is different, special, or unique about this volunteer that sets them apart from others.

2. List all committees and boards with which this individual has been involved.