

Low Interest Loans for 4-H Members

Livestock projects continue to be some of the largest areas of participation in Texas 4-H. This information may be valuable to many youth and families who need a little financial assistance to start and/or support those projects. You might be able to get local assistance from your county USDA-FSA office including applications and technical assistance in completing them.

USDA-Farm Service Agency makes loans to individual rural youth to establish and operate income -producing projects of modest size in connection with their participation in 4-H clubs. Each project must be part of an organized and supervised program of work. The project must be planned and operated with the help of the organization advisor, produce sufficient income to repay the loan, and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience.

You may link onto the web site listed below or contact Vidal H. Saenz at (956) 383-1026 or 1-800-638-8239 to answer many common questions about the program which allows for a maximum loan amount of \$5,000 based on the size and type of project being supported.

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafl/youth%20loans.htm>