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Youth Special Achievement, Endowed Awards, and 25 Year Leader awards- These awards are **nominated by club leaders or self-nominated by youth members. The club leader and/or youth member nominee will prepare a 500 word or less narrative addressing the criteria of the award and submit with completed record book (which must qualify for seal of excellence) by the record book deadline. The nominees will then be evaluated based on the narrative and completed record book based on criteria listed for each award.**

Name of Award	Eligible Ages	Criteria (Narrative should address the items listed in this section)
Outstanding 4H Member 1 award in each age category	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jr (<13 4H years) Sr (13 + 4H years) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has broad knowledge of 4-H projects and activities Contributes to improving family and community living Adaptable and applies latest practices, knowledge and skills to instill 4-H pride and respect for 4-H work Demonstrates notable leadership skills
Agriculture Trailblazer 1 award in each age category	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jr (<13 4H years) Sr (13 + 4H years) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of projects in broad range of Ag areas Uses the information, knowledge and skills from 4-H to integrate ag practices into everyday living Demonstrated notable leadership skills
4-H Community Citizenship 1 award in each age category	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jr (<13 4H years) Sr (13 + 4H years) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active member of 4-H club as well as involved in county, regional and/or state 4-H events Demonstrate leadership through club offices held High standard of positive behavior Take an active role in planning, organizing and carrying out community service work
Excellence in Leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sr (13 + 4H years) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed and demonstrated leadership skills necessary to promote growth in other 4-H members, clubs county and state activities Demonstrates leadership in their club Demonstrates leadership skills outside their club activities (Ex: school, community, extracurriculars)
Team Builder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jr (<13) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrates leadership in their club Fosters a sense of community with other members, adults in all interactions Promotes inclusion and fosters involvement
Endowed Awards		
Name of Award	Eligible Ages	Criteria
Danny Chinadle	Any age (no Cloverbuds)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 500-word narrative on If you were to receive this memorial award, how would you spend the money on your non-livestock 4-H project and how will it assist you in attaining your 4-H project goal? May only receive once Non-livestock project
John Davis	16 or over in 4H years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 500-word narrative explaining how the member demonstrates the following characteristics through their 4-H experiences: Leadership talents Broader knowledge of 4H and contributions Adapts to latest practices

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed skills in practices Developed and instilled pride in 4H in others Applied 4H trainings
Wendy Maurer	14 or over in 4H years Up to 2 awards/year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record book 500-word narrative to describe what “Love is a Giving thing” means to you.

25-Year Leader- These awards are meant to Honor Leaders who have been a leader for 25+ years. They are sponsored by the 4-H Leader’s Council for 3 years and then award is sunset or picked up by the Leader/family being honored. These awards are **nominated by club leaders or self-nominated by youth members. The club leader and/or youth member nominee will prepare a 500 word or less narrative and submit with completed record book (which must qualify for seal of excellence) by the record book deadline. The nominees will then be evaluated based on the narrative and completed record book based on criteria listed for each award.**

Name of Award	Eligible Ages	Years Available	Criteria
Viki Johnson	14 or over in 4-H years	2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrolled in and complete at least 3 years in Horse project At least 2 community service projects per year 2-250 word narratives <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How the member started in horse project and where they are now How the member has developed through their horse experience and how it has helped them grow as a person
Rose Ballard	Any	Last given in 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be in a rabbit project and narrative describes what they have learned in the rabbit project

Leader Awards- Nominations accepted (self or from others and then awards are selected by Leaders Council Achievement Committee based on nomination received

Leader Awards		
Name of Award	Description	Award
Outstanding 1 st Year Leader	A motivated leader that has jumped in with Both feet	Plaque ?
Outstanding 4-H (Adult) Leader/Volunteer	Someone involved for 2 or more years who has made a significant contribution during the year of the award	Plaque
Friend of 4H Award	A business or non registered/leader volunteer who has significantly contributed to 4H in the previous year.	Plaque

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Youth Member Milestone Achievements- No nomination needed-Awarded based on Years of Service-

Name of Award	Eligible Ages	Criteria	Award
10 year -youth member	17 and 18	Have been in 4H 10 years (Cloverbud years not eligible to count)	10-year pin
1 st Year member	Any (non-Cloverbud)	Completes first year	First year pin
3 rd Year member	Any 10+	Completes 3 years	3-year pin
5 th year member	Any 12+	Completes 5 years	5- year pin
7- year member	Any 14+	Completes 7 years	7- year pin
Montana Congress *	*These accomplishments are acknowledged at Achievement night, but no additional award is given		
Other State or National Contests*			

Club Awards- Determined by office through contest, activity and/or project participation

Name of Award	Description
Club of the Year (Rubric already available)	A club that has been active in their community and igniting positive change and tied to community service and does the following: Club Minutes to Office Club Community Service documented in minutes Club members participate in county contests (Ex: Communication, Fashion revue, quilt show, stir ups, foods festival, cake decorating, livestock judging, hippology) Club members participate in state fair, livestock show and horse shows Club Members participate in Project Days/Education Opportunities Club member Record book completion
Kathy Dunn	Highest number of exhibits per member at State Fair
Ted Fosse	Highest avg participation demonstration of the communications contest
Dan Thurber	Highest avg participation in the Speed division of county communications contest

Static Fair Project Awards- are determined by judges at State Fair (Ex: Each top division winner and Special Donation Awards)

Horse Project Specific Awards are determined by County horse show- awarded by Horse Leaders/Committee

Livestock Project Specific Awards are determined at County livestock show-awarded by Livestock Leaders/Committee

Shooting Sports Awards- Awards are based on top score submitted targets- awarded by Shooting Sports Leaders/Committee