



# Cape May County 4-H

## Mission Mandate Mini Grant

### Application

*Sponsored by 4-H Program Advisory Council*

**APPLICATION DEADLINE JANUARY 26!**

The Cape May County 4-H Program Advisory Council invites established Cape May County 4-H clubs and identified Cape May County 4-H partners to apply for mini grants to support the growth and development of their 4-H projects and programs in one of three key mission mandate areas: Science, Engineering and Technology, Citizenship and Healthy Living.

**NEW!** PAC has increased total grant awards to **\$2,000 for the 2026 year!** A grant review committee will review club applications and checks will be awarded to successful applicants at the **February 18th** PAC meeting. Most grants are between \$100 and \$300. Mini grant funds cannot be used to compensate staff or volunteers for teaching time. Any material purchased through the grant is for the use of the applicable 4-H Club and is the property of the Rutgers Cooperative Extension Cape May County 4-H Youth Development Program. Successful applicants will be required to report on their funded project / programs, including an accounting of funds spent, within one year of receipt of the grant.

Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_

Club Organizational Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Club Project Leader(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Members Currently in Club \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Cell/Text \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW REQUIREMENT: Winning clubs must provide at least 2 volunteer shifts in the 2026 PAC Food Booth!**

**Please indicate which of the three 4-H Mission Mandates your proposed program relates to:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Science, Engineering & Technology \_\_\_\_\_ Healthy Living \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship

Applicants must describe how their proposed project supports at least one of three key objectives.

**Please check which objective your proposal seeks to address:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Enhance educational opportunity and outreach within the 4-H Youth Development Program
- \_\_\_\_\_ Expand 4-H community service
- \_\_\_\_\_ Promote healthy living within Cape May County

**Please provide a brief description (one page or less) of the project or program for which you are seeking support. Include a budget for anticipated expenses. Explain how this funding will allow you to enhance, expand or continue your existing 4-H projects or programs. Examples of eligible projects include, but are not limited to:**

- Fundraising programs that include a clear educational component as well as a budget for how grant funds will be spent and how any anticipated generated income will be allocated to 4-H educational programs.
- Developing displays for Fair which engage the community in educational activities in your project area.
- Underwriting transportation and related costs to field trips, community service projects, or regional/national 4-H programs and events.
- Member recognition activities.
- Purchasing needed materials for club projects.

#### **4-H Club Status**

**Please indicate your club's status in each area, as of the date of this application.**

REVIEW ITEM	Yes	Currently IN PROCESS	NO
Club has trained Organizational Leader & Assistant Leader			
Club has established bank account			
Club has an assigned EIN			
Statements from bank account are coming to RCE Office			
Two signers are established for the Club Bank Account			
Club members turn in 4-H record books			
Members Properly Enrolled or Re-enrolled in 4-H Online			
Yearly Financial Plan submitted			
Meeting Dates / Times / Location Set with 4-H office			
One adult leader or parent is designated to attend quarterly 4-H Program Advisory Council meetings			
Club has 2 trained, screened adult leaders at each meeting			
Club is a designated NJ 4-H Honor Club			
Club will participate in public presentations in 2026			

Attach this form to your one-page description with budget and submit by **MONDAY, JAN. 26 2026**

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***Thank you for your interest and for your efforts to inspire the next generation!***