



# Ogle County 4-H Foundation, NFP

Box 393, Oregon, IL 61061

March 1, 2024

*Dear Ogle County 4-H Member:*

As you may know, the Ogle County 4-H Foundation has offered educational scholarships for the past several years to Ogle County 4-H members. In addition, the Ogle County Farm Bureau offers the “Stan Eden 4-H Scholarship” to pay tribute to Stan Eden who dedicated over 34 years to serving Ogle County Extension and 4-H. These scholarships are offered because both organizations believe in the importance of continuing education and recognize the financial strain paying for college can put on a family, particularly in this economy.

Please see the enclosed information to determine whether you are eligible for these scholarships. We send applications to all enrolled 4-Hers who **MAY** be eligible--it is up to you to determine if you actually qualify **based on your years of 4-H membership and other qualifying factors. You must have been in 4-H for 6 years (including current year) in any county.**

Scholarships are offered each spring to 4-Hers who are planning to pursue or are already engaged in further education beyond high school, whether that is at a college or vocational institution. Any area of study may be pursued. 4-Hers selected by the Ogle County 4-H Foundation will receive scholarships amounting to \$400 per year of full-time course work for a maximum of four years (max of \$1600). One 4-Her will be chosen for the “Stan Eden 4-H Scholarship,” which is a one-time award of \$1,000.

For the 2024 Ogle County 4-H Foundation and Stan Eden 4-H Scholarships, **we will accept applications postmarked by April 12, 2024.** Qualified applicants may be asked to interview with the committee. Interviews will take place on Thursday, April 25. You will be informed of your interview time after receipt of application and confirmation of eligibility. You will be notified of the results within a week of the interview date.

Please give this opportunity your serious consideration. This is not an academic scholarship. Review the enclosed application materials, and send in your **completed** application by the deadline. Only those submitting “complete” applications as described in the enclosure will be considered. The application is also available at our website, <https://extension.illinois.edu/bdo/4-h-ogle-county>. Click on “County Awards/Scholarship” in the grey box. The Ogle County 4-H Foundation & Stan Eden 4-H Scholarship can be found at the bottom of that tab. Please contact the Extension office at 815/732-2191 for further information.

We look forward to hearing from you and wish you the best of luck.

Sincerely,

The Ogle County 4-H Foundation Board of Directors