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The U.S. Government's Global Hunger & Food Security Initiative

4-H SENEGAL POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Profile

Objectives

- Promote **positive youth development** and **youth entrepreneurship** in agriculture for economic growth
- Promote the active **participation of universities and centers for agricultural training** in developing a new generation of agriculturalists
- Support the adoption and implementation of **community service as a university mission**
- Forge **relationships between researchers and other experts** serving the community



The 4-H Senegal Positive Youth Development Program

is an outreach program that encourages youth development, youth entrepreneurship, and agricultural education in social and economic life. Thanks to the foresight of the USAID-funded Education and Research in Agriculture program (ERA), 4-H is providing the optimal platform for youth in Senegal to gain life skills, agropreneur skills and STEM literacy. Participants discover ways to make good decisions; manage resources wisely; work effectively with others; and to communicate effectively. In March 2015, three pilot clubs were established in Toubacouta, south of the capital of Dakar—marking the first time a 4-H club has been established in francophone Africa.



Members of the Toubacouta 4-H Club, a pilot club

Partners

l'Institut Supérieur de Formation Agricole et Rurale (ISFAR); Lycee Technique Agricole Emile Badiane (LTAEB); Université Assane Seck de Ziguinchor (UASZ); Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'agriculture (ENSA); Université Gaston Berger de Saint Louis (UGB); Université Cheikh Anta Diop (UCAD); L'Institut Supérieur d'Agriculture et d'Entrepreneuriat (ISAE); L'Ecole Supérieure d'Economie Appliquée (ESEA); Université du Sine Saloum El-Hadji Ibrahima Niasse (USSEIN); Université Alioune Diop de Bambey (UADB); Centre National de Formation des Techniciens des Eaux et Forêts, Chasse et des Parcs Nationaux (CNFTEFCPN); Senegalese American Bilingual School (SABS); Peace Corps; Agence Nationale pour la promotion de L'Emploi des Jeunes; SYNAPSE Center; Le Centre de formation professionnelle horticole; Centre d'interpretation de Toubacouta; Agence Nationale du Conseil Agricole et Rural (ANCAR)

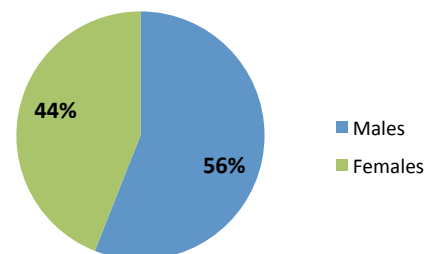
Program Description

Originating from the land-grant universities and cooperative extension models in the US, 4-H promotes the active participation of universities and agricultural training centers in developing a new generation of agriculturists. 4-H Senegal links agricultural institutions and their pedagogical expertise with local youth who seek valuable knowledge and experience in agriculture.

ERA has facilitated the training of more than 150 community leaders, faculty members at Senegalese institutions, ANCAR extension agents, and Peace Corps volunteers. ERA has also supported the provision of gardening materials as well as planning for 4-H activities with volunteers and institutional partners.

Adapted from an evidence-based model in the US, the 4-H Senegal program likewise provides a clear structure and pedagogical guide. Yet, the curriculum allows for flexible and innovative approaches in addressing the needs of local communities.

Today, the 4-H Senegal program continues to empower Senegal's boys and girls through a wide network of institutional, community, and agricultural resources.



4-H Membership by Gender

**I pledge my head to clearer thinking,
my heart to greater loyalty,
my hands to larger service,
and my health to better living,
for my club, my community, my country, and my world.**

-4-H Pledge

4-H Activities

Throughout the year, the 4-H leaders encourage members to get involved in a variety of hands-on activities. From agricultural activities to fundraising and sports, youth have made good use of their time through activities such as:

- Mosquito awareness
- Wrestling games (fundraiser)
- Community service "clean ups"
- Laboratory trips
- Composting
- Planting and selling Mboum Ndour (Live fence)
- Natural pesticides (insecticides) with Acacia tree leaves
- Learning and using drip irrigation methods for crops, partnership with NEBEDAY
- Chicken rearing



4-H Senegal Clubs

Locations & Institutions	# of Members
Thies (ENSA)	22
Bambey (ISFAR)	57
Saint-Louis (UGB)	140
Ziguinchor (UASZ)	123
Bignona (LTAEB)	141
Toubacouta, Santamba, Ndoumbodji (ENSA/ISFAR)	95
TOTAL	578

History

4-H represents head, hands, heart and health.

In 1902, A. B. Graham started the first 4-H club in the U.S., known as the "The Tomato Club" or the "Corn Growing Club." Since that time, 4-H has been mentoring and advising young people on topics such as leadership, citizenship and other life skills all over the U.S. as well as parts of Europe, Asia, and Eastern and Southern Africa.

2015

4-H Launches in Senegal

578

4-H Senegal Members

86

Trained 4-H Leaders

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