

# 4 Kids and Community, Inc. 2014 Review

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A Non-Profit providing support to help People succeed.

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*We wanted to show you how your support has helped in accomplishing 4 Kids and Community's mission and goals. Thank you for your support and hope you enjoy the newsletter: 4 Kids has been busy!*

## 5 Year Anniversary and Milestones Reached

4 Kids and Community turned five this year, and this year reached several milestones. Since 2009, 4 Kids and Community has delivered over 1,000 book bags with supplies to the Perkins-Tryon Schools. In March 2011, 4 Kids piloted the Snack Pack Program to feed students a small snack; with the pilot's success and following school years expansion, as of December 19th, over 78,000 snack packs have been consumed! Over 1,000 food bags

have fed the students over the holiday breaks and weekends since 2011. For the past three years, 552 Hygiene Kits have been distributed either through the schools or through the Perkins Lions Club Christmas Boxes. 215 students have attended the Personal Finance Workshop. 125 parents participated in the self-funded School Supplies Program. This year, 4 Kids and Community has tried to help all students and staff.

## 4 ♥ of Community Program

### Help Wanted

This summer the first project was completed in this program: a gate remade for an elderly couple. Eden Chapel

provided an afternoon of labor. Your help is needed to expand the 4 Love of Community. If you know someone who needs help or if you or someone you know wants to

help, please contact 4 Kids. Information will go in a database and then volunteers will be matched up with projects.

Mark your calendar:

Baked Potato Fundraiser!  
Friday,  
January 30th  
5pm to 7pm  
P-T High School Commons Area

## Information Exchange: Working Together Improves Programs!

The Information Exchange Program was created in 2011 as a way for organizations and churches to communicate with each other about the projects that help the community. The time of year that this program is utilized the most: Christmas. This year 4 Kids kept in contact with Perkins Lions Club, Church of Christ, First United Methodist Church and Immanuel Baptist Church who were all doing Christmas food and/or gifts for families. This meant receiving, reviewing and updating everyone on the ever changing list. Calls were also made to Ministerial Alliance and other organizations

to find out what projects, if any, were happening in the community. People could also contact 4 Kids if they wanted to help; 4 Kids then sent the person where the help was needed. This was an attempt to reduce duplication or even triplication. For several years, 4 Kids has discussed, but no resolutions, on how to provide food over the summer for the students who receive weekend food bags during the school year. It has been on the board's hearts to find the solution.

This year, while information was being shared, it was

learned that the Church of Christ provided food boxes and the Perkins Lions Club provided gifts and food boxes at Christmas. More importantly, they both used the same list! So with communication and several meetings with each group, it was decided that Perkins Lions Club and Church of Christ would partner up. The church passed out the food, and the Lions Club took care of the gifts. The money that was usually spent on the Lions Club Christmas food boxes will be saved and used to provide summer food boxes for the families! God answered the prayers.

## 4 Kids and Community and FCCLA Students: Partnership Expands

The middle school FCCLA students joined the high school FCCLA students in serving. At the beginning of the school year, the high school students took over the responsibility of accomplishing the Snack Pack Program tasks each month. The students pack the individual snack packs, package a month's worth of snacks for eleven teachers and then deliver the snacks to all four sites! This year 4 Kids expanded the Holiday Food Packs Program to include weekend

food packs for the older students. The middle school FCCLA students wanted to help, so the students were assigned the holiday food packs and weekend food packs. Every month the students package and deliver the food packs! With the help of the FCCLA students and Williams Grocery, who orders and has the food ready for pick-up, 4 Kids and Community is able to feed over 200 students each month! Thank you!

150 Snack Packs consumed each school day  
45 Holiday Food Packs for each holiday  
10 Food Packs each weekend

1 Hour to pack:  
200 Book Bags,  
40 Hygiene Kits,  
160 Food bags,  
2,500 Snack Packs  
at the Packing Party

### 4-H Volunteers

The Perkins 4-H has volunteered for several projects. Before school started the group joined

other volunteers at the annual Packing Party! Then several members volunteered for several weeks to clean-out the flowerbeds, and plant pansies at the

Territorial Plaza. Last, at a business meeting members learned about 4 Kids programs and then came up with different ways for 4 Kids to expand!

## United Way, Perkins Masonic Lodge, Kickin' Childhood Hunger and Iowa Tribe

Once again 4 Kids and Community was awarded funds from Stillwater Area United Way! New fund amounts begin this month. 4 Kids received a matching

grant from the Perkins Masonic Lodge for the Baked Potato Fundraiser. Money raised: Over \$3,700! In September, 4 Kids applied and won a grant from a local

non-profit Kickin' Childhood Hunger. Awarded: \$2,820. In August, the Iowa Tribe had a school supply drive. 4 Kids was 1 of 3 recipients, receiving over 15 boxes of school supplies!



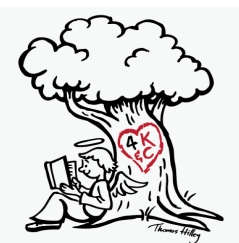
## Standing Ovation : from the Program Director

4 Kids and Community could not accomplish everything that it does without all of our supporters. First, I would like to thank the wonderful Board of Directors; I

am grateful for your willingness to serve and all your help! I cannot do it without you. Second, all the donors. Your overwhelming support is very appreciated and humbling. We have come a long way from the first \$1,800 raised. Third, the wonderful group of

volunteers who provide their time, sweat and manpower to help 4 Kids succeed. It takes a lot of volunteers to operate nine programs. Last, but not least, God for all His guidance and love.

Together we are making a difference in our community.



### 2014 Donors

#### Businesses

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The Railroad Yard  
Clay Excavation  
Rains and Sons Transportation  
Premier Trading & Transportation  
Deeprock Energy Resources  
Perkins Drug  
Sander's Copy and Design  
Payne County Bank Employees

#### Churches

Lost Creek UMC  
Eden Chapel UMC  
First Baptist Church  
Cimarron Valley Church  
Christian Church of Perkins

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Perkins Chamber of Commerce  
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#### Grants

Stillwater Area United Way  
Perkins Masonic Lodge  
Kickin' Childhood Hunger

### THANK YOU!

*Did you know, 4 Kids and Community has no payroll or building expenses?!*

2014  
Donations, Grants &  
Fundraisers Total:  
**\$28,194.37**

2009-2014  
Donations, Grants &  
Fundraisers Total:  
**\$78,375.84**

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