

Deciding What to Give

Fact Sheet

Giving back is an important concept for 4-H members to learn.

- Each member has received the benefits of contributions that volunteers, donors, and others have made to the 4-H program.
- Learning to be generous is a concept that will serve members well throughout their lives.

People, in general, have particular interest in different causes and support those causes in a variety of ways.

Causes are selected because of an individual's:

- Personal history with the cause
- Personal experience
- Beliefs and values

People can support a chosen cause with their:

- Time
- Talent
- Treasure

Questions to consider:

- What is it like to try to convince others to support your cause?
- What lessons did you learn when you gained support for your cause?
- How difficult is it to give away your charitable dollars?
- What have you learned that will guide you to share real dollars with causes that you care about?
- What criteria did you use to decide whether to give a donation or not?
- Would you use the same criteria in real giving?

