GOALS

WRITE A GOAL FOR YOUR PROJECT LEARNING THIS YEAR

A goal is a statement about what you want to learn in this project and how you plan to accomplish it. Good goals have three characteristics. They are challenging (you have to 'stretch' yourself to do it); achievable (it is within your ability); and measurable (you can determine whether or not you met your goal).

REVIEW YOUR GOAL HALFWAY THROUGH

Monitoring your progress throughout the 4-H year is an important part in achieving the goals you've set for yourself. Are you where you wanted to be at this point? How should you revise your goal based on new info? What can you do another way? What did you learn about goal setting?

AT THE END REFLECT BACK ON YOUR GOAL

Reflecting on your goal at the end of the 4-H year is a way of reviewing your goal to measure if you accomplished what you wanted to and deciding where to go next. Did you accomplish your goal? Why or why not? How did you achieve your goal? What challenged you or kept you meeting your goal? What might you do differently next time? What future goals do you have in this project as a result?

4-H ANIMAL PROJECT INCOME

Income is money you receive to complete your 4-H project. List all sources of income including any grants or gifts (including those from your parents) received, dollars from a personal bank account or premiums received.

ESTIMATED INCOME	INCOME RECEIVED FROM (Grant, Gift, Savings Account, Premium, etc.)	ACTUAL INCOME
\$		\$
\$		\$
\$		\$
\$		\$

TOTAL INCOME:

ESTIMATE \$_____

ACTUAL \$_____

4-H ANIMAL PROJECT EXPENSES

An expense is the money you spend on something for your 4-H project. Be sure to list all costs. In the shaded area beneath each cost provide additional examples about your expense. For example, provide the date and location from which you purchased your animal. Or, for instance, under supplies and equipment provide a list of each item purchased. Expand this table as needed.

ESTIMATED COST	SOURCE OF COST	ACTUAL COST
\$	Animal Purchase Price:	
		\$
\$	Total Feed:	
		\$
\$	Veterinarian, Vaccine & Medicine:	
		\$
\$	Supplies & Equipment (include bedding, show supplies and equipment for animal care):	\$

ESTIMATED COST	SOURCE OF COST (CONTINUED)	ACTUAL COST
\$	Buildings or Rental Fees:	\$
\$	Trucking / Transportation:	\$
\$	Participation Fees (cost to participate in clinic, fair or other event):	\$
\$	Interest, Loan or Insurance Fees:	\$
\$	Other:	\$

TOTAL EXPENSES:

ESTIMATE \$_____

ACTUAL \$_____

ESTIMATED SURPLUS OR SHORTFALL

Total Estimated Income – Total Estimated Expense = Estimated Surplus or Shortfall

\$_____ - \$_____ = \$_____ (surplus) OR \$ --____ (shortfall)

ACTUAL SURPLUS OR SHORTFALL

Total Income – Total Expense = Surplus or Shortfall

\$_____ - \$_____ = \$_____ (surplus) OR \$ --____ (shortfall)

4-H Animal Project Story

Remember a 4-H Project takes place throughout an entire 4-H year, not just your county fair exhibits. Write one or more paragraphs, that explains the following about your 4-H Project this year:

- What you accomplished and what experiences you had
- How you worked to accomplish your goals, and if you achieved them
- New knowledge you gained or new skills you developed; tell how you "grew"
- What you learned and any challenges you faced
- If you plan to do something different in your project work next year

Add additional pages with visual components (including photos and captions) to tell your story with more detail.

