



4-H Gardening Project – Greentop

100.BH-4 (R-18)



The objective of the **4-H Gardening** project is to educate 4-H members about the benefits and challenges of gardening. You will learn to choose the best types of gardens for certain conditions and improve the aesthetic value of an area with plants and flowers.

In this project you will learn:

- To identify the wild New Mexico Growing area you are in and identify climate zones.
- To understand crop selection, placement, and spacing.
- To identify common garden pests and diseases.
- To freeze, dehydrate, and/or can, at least four different types of vegetables.
- To keep irrigation and other important gardening records.
- To grow at least six crops.

Suggested Leadership Activities:

- Give a presentation or demonstration to your 4-H club or local Master Gardener's on your garden or information on gardening.
- Help 4-H members with their gardens.
- Plant a garden at a local community site or nursing home.
- Organize a field trip for your 4-H or school class to a nursery.

Resources:

- 4-H Garden Project Book 100.BH-4 (R-2013)
- 4-H Project Record Sheet 300 A-7 (R-18)

Tips:

- Review the 4-H Project Record Sheet, and the Greentop 4-H Gardening Program to become familiar with the project before you begin
- Review needed materials: Have garden, garden supplies, and food preservation supplies.
- Keep a log or journal of the activities you participate in which are related to gardening. This will make it easier to complete your record sheet at the end of the 4-H year
- Take a photo at the start, middle, and end of season.
- Complete your record sheet for the project

Suggested Community Service Project:

- Participate in gardening activities sponsored by Master Gardener's or initiate your own at school or a community garden.



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