

491 - IT'S MY HOME

Project Description

In this beginning level project, you will be making or improving items for use in your home, as well as, participating in service learning opportunities. Members will learn basic design elements, organization, upcycling, and service learning activities. When you are finished, you will know how and why things in a room go well together and how items you don't need or want can help others.

To Complete the Project

Use your project book as a guide to do the following:

1. Complete all 9 activities and all of the Talking It Over questions.
2. Choose and complete at least 2 learning experiences.
3. Choose and complete at least 2 leadership/citizenship activities.
4. Demonstrate how to make one of your items or how to make an easy home improvement.
5. Take part in a project review. If you choose not to participate in judging at the fair, make arrangements to discuss and review completion of your project with your advisor.

Judging of this Project

This project will be judged as part of Special Interest Judging.

At the Union County Fair on Wednesday-Friday immediately prior to the start of the fair.

OR

At the Richwood Fair on Sunday immediately prior to the start of the fair.

Your advisor will tell you a more specific judging time later in the summer. At the specific judging time assigned to you, **bring your completed project book and records showing accomplishments, at least one item constructed for the project and pictures of areas in your home used for the project that show before and after of how the items enhance the home living space, as well as, demonstrate your work.** You will participate in an interview judging and then leave your exhibit (a display of your project) on display the entire week of the fair.

Project Display

Prepare a display that shows the judge and fair visitors what you learned and accomplished in your project. An appropriate display would be an item constructed in the project according to the requirements listed in the project book. You may need to walk a distance from your parked vehicle to judging, plan accordingly. You may choose to bring additional items to show the judge your project work that you do not leave on display. This is acceptable. You must however, leave something on display the entire week. **If you choose to make a poster, it must be regular poster board (maximum 22 x 28), not foam board or tri-folds. Your project book cannot serve as your project display.** Plan your display item carefully: fragile, valuable, or items that will be damaged by dust are not a good idea.

Display Areas

At the Union County Fair Special Interest Projects will be displayed in the Armory. At the Richwood Fair these projects will be displayed in the Jr. Fair Building.

Project Pick-Up

You must pick up your project display at the end of the fair, or arrange for someone to get it for you. At Union County Fair, Special Interest Projects will be released on Saturday of the fair from 4 pm-5 pm. Projects not picked up by 5 p.m. will be disposed of or donated to charities.

At the Richwood Fair, all Special Interest Projects will be released at 3 p.m. on Monday of the fair and should be removed by 9 p.m.

Award Presentation

Union County Fair Special Interest Project Awards will be presented at the Jr. Fair Awards Program on Tuesday of the fair at 4 p.m. following the Style Review in Pavilion.

Richwood Fair Special Interest Project Awards will be presented at the Jr. Fair Awards Program during the fair. Check the fair paper for the day, time, and location of this program.

Ohio State Fair Opportunity

This project **Does** have the opportunity to be displayed at The Ohio State Fair. Any 4-H'er who wishes to compete for an opportunity to display this project at The Ohio State Fair must participate in judging at the Union County Fair, as described above. Union County representatives to The Ohio State Fair will be chosen as part of Union County Fair judging. Display should be the one used at their county fair.