Key Components of 4-H Service Learning

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|  | **Integrates Learning:** Learning is integrated into relevant content (often 4-H project-based). The service informs content and the content informs service. |
|  | **Meets Genuine Needs:** Youth identify and learn about a *recognized* need in their community. |
|  | **Promotes Youth Voice and Choice:** Youth demonstrate decision making in a safe environment that allows them to make mistakes and still succeed. |
|  | **Creates Partnerships:** Youth participate in the development of community partnerships and share responsibility with community members. |
|  | **Benefits Everyone:** Mutual teaching and learning, and shared responsibility benefit all participants in the service learning experience. |
|  | **Builds Civic Responsibility:** Young people understand they have a role in improving society, and are empowered by their ability to improve the quality of life in the community. |