

Let the youth global leader journey begin!

Calling all young people aged 9 to 19 to join the 4-H Backpack to Adventure!

- ▶ See the world by taking a virtual backpacking trip to adventure.
- ▶ Learn what it means to be a youth leader in a globalized, interconnected and rapidly changing world.
- ▶ Develop the five competencies you will need to make a difference locally and globally.

4-H Backpack to Adventure activities include:

- ▶ World Turtles and the Five Competencies for Youth Global Leaders
- ▶ 30 Kids, 31 Legs
- ▶ Tower of Trust
- ▶ Lead in Style: Duct Tape Sculpture
- ▶ A Day in the Life of an American Youth
- ▶ Eureka! A 4-H Quiz Game
- ▶ Culture in a Kit
- ▶ Create a Culture-a-thon
- ▶ Open Your Home: Be a Host Sibling
- ▶ Hosting an International Speaker
- ▶ A Night in a Global Village
- ▶ Think Globally, Act Locally: The World of NGOs (non-governmental organizations)

Plus a “Resource Matrix” and “Backpack Tips” with loads more activities!



“Young people who participate in 4-H Backpack to Adventure understand how global issues shape their lives, and that their actions can affect others locally and globally. They are committed to positive change to make the world a better place, and they have the skills to make a difference.”

–Michigan 4-H Youth Development

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The five competencies (5Cs) of youth leaders in a global world:

- ▶ **Character** – Character reflects the total characteristics of a person, especially moral qualities, principles and ethical standards (*Dictionary.com Unabridged*). It also includes common attitudes, beliefs and behaviors that are important for people to have as responsible global citizens.
- ▶ **Citizenship** – Citizenship is enjoying the opportunities and rights of being a citizen of a country. It is accepting the responsibilities to live and shape the world around us, and includes service to others (*National 4-H Council*).
- ▶ **Communication** – Communication is the exchange of thoughts, opinions, ideas and information using speech, writing, visual techniques, facial expressions, body language and gestures (*Dictionary.com Unabridged*).
- ▶ **Creativity** – Creativity is a person’s ability to think beyond traditional ideas, rules, patterns and relationships to create new ideas (*Dictionary.com Unabridged*).
- ▶ **Culture** – Culture is the way a group of people lives, including beliefs, values and behaviors. It also includes such things as customs, language, ethnicity, race, age, gender, socioeconomic status, religion, family structure, family occupation, lifestyle and geographic location (*Jervis & Michigan 4-H*).

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You can buy print or electronic (pdf) versions of *4-H Backpack to Adventure: Youth Leaders in a Global World* (4H1643) from the MSU Extension Bookstore at <http://shop.msu.edu/>.