

4-H Volunteer Receives the Cumberland Cares Recognition Award

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A Cumberland County 4-H volunteer with decades of service has received the Cumberland County Cares Recognition Award. Eleanore Getz of Fayetteville received the award at the regular meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners on Jan. 17.

Getz was nominated in December by Angela Shaver, the 4-H youth development extension agent at Cumberland County Cooperative Extension. The Cumberland Cares award recognizes a Cumberland County individual, group or agency which has made an outstanding contribution toward a better quality of life for the county's citizens.

Getz, who prefers to be called "mom" by her 4-H family, has served as a Cumberland County 4-H volunteer for 37 years. Her dedicated service to the N.C. Cooperative Extension's 4-H youth development program has made an impact on many lives.

"Cumberland County 4-H is fortunate to have volunteers like 'Mom,'" said Shaver. "I have personally seen the impacts of her efforts in working with our youth and I am confident that with leaders like Eleanore Getz, we are helping to build a better future by growing tomorrow's citizen leaders."

Getz has received awards at the local, district, state, regional and national levels. Getz was inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame during the 4-H centennial in 2009. Getz lives by the 4-H motto to "Make the Best Better" as she takes part in volunteer development opportunities.

The 4-H program is the youth education program of North Carolina Cooperative Extension, based at North Carolina State and North Carolina A&T State universities.

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More than 218,000 young people between the ages of 5 and 19 participate in North Carolina 4-H activities each year with the help of 21,400 adult and youth volunteers.

To learn more about 4-H Youth Development, or to find out how you can volunteer, call (910) 321-6860 or go online at <http://cumberland.ces.ncsu.edu> and click on the 4-H tab on the left side of the screen.



Eleanore Getz holds up her Cumberland County Cares award, presented at the Jan. 17 meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Kenneth Edge presented the award to Getz, who was honored for 37 years of volunteer service to the Cumberland County Cooperative Extension's 4-H youth development program.

