

SUGGESTED IDEAS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PLANNING MONTHLY PROGRAMS

***** IMPORTANT: Keep record of the # of volunteer hours worked *****

| MONTH | PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES | PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS & REMINDERS |
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| October | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan year's Program of Work • Elect officers/send to state office | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achievement Reports Due • Farm Bureau Gives Back Reports Due • YF&R Fall Tour • National Fire Prevention Month • Breast Cancer Awareness Month • Pork Month • Commodity - Pork/Swine/Pumpkins |
| November | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TN Agriculture Literacy Week • Plans for Annual Meeting • Select Voting Delegates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislator as a guest • Report Ag Literacy Week Activities • YF&R Outstanding Young Woman & Discussion Meet Appl. Due • Commodity - Poultry/Turkey/Eggs |
| December | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate current year's programs/ where to go from here • Make National Patriotism Week Plans • Select person(s) to attend FUSION Conf. (odd years) • Encourage/Support YF&R members to attend AFBF Leadership Conf. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TFBF Annual Meeting • TN Agriculture Literacy Week Reports Due • Commodity - Forestry |
| January | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal/Purpose for the year • Review yearly meeting calendar (local, district & state) • Farm Bureau Gives Back Plans | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite local Health Department official • AFBF Annual Meeting • Commodity - Sheep/Goats |
| February | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify Key Legislative Issues • Contact elected officials on ag issues • Identify & support YF&R competitors • Plan Spring Farm Day | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislative Priorities • Kick-Off Meetings/Webinars • National Patriotism Week • Young Leaders Conference • Heart Month • Commodity - Nursery/Fruits/Vegetables |
| March | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote AITC Summer Workshops • Participate in National Agriculture Week • Select teacher(s) to send to National AITC Conference | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective Communication with Elected Officials • AFBF YF&R Leadership Conference (even years) • AFBF FUSION Conf. (odd years) • National Agriculture Week • Ag Safety Awareness Week • Legislative Visits • Women's History Month • Commodity - Bees/Pollination |

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| April | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select TN Leadership Summit Delegates • Encourage YF&R activities • Community Agriculture Education Activity/Event • Host meal function with local elected officials | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TN Leadership Summit Appl. Due • Earth Day • Commodity - Cotton |
| May | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AITC Teacher Appreciation Recognition • Public Service Appreciation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer AITC Workshop Appl. Due • Young Farmer Achievement Appl. Due • Mental Health Awareness Month • Commodity - Hay/Equine |
| June | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Policy Development/ Resolutions/Ag Issues • Plan Fall Farm Day • Select delegates for Grassroots Conf. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TN Leadership Summit • AITC Summer Workshops • National AITC Conference • YF&R Environmental Stewardship Appl. Due to Extension Office • Flag Day • Dairy Month • Commodity - Dairy |
| July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host Local AITC Workshop • Voter Registration • iFarm.iVote Campaign | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by TN Leadership Summit Delegate • YF&R Summer Conference • Policy Development Meetings • Beef Month • Commodity - Beef |
| August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commodity Promotion @ County Fair • Plan AITC activities for school year • Nominate an Outstanding AITC Teacher | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grassroots Conference • AITC Benefit Auction • Policy Development Meetings • County/Regional/State Fairs • YF&R Excellence in Ag Appl. Due • Deadline for AITC Major Donor Recognition • Commodity - Apples |
| September | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host a BARN event | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outstanding AITC Teacher Appl. Due • Meet Me at the Flag Pole • Constitution Day • National Farm Safety & Health Week • National Suicide Prevention Month • Poultry Month • Commodity - Grains |

Calendar Sources:

Women's Health Observances: <https://www.cdc.gov/women/observances/index.htm>

Food Observances: <https://foodandhealth.com/calendar/>

Safety Observances: <https://www.nsc.org/events/safety-observance-calendar>

National Farm Safety Week (Sept.): <http://www.necasag.org/nationalfarmsafetyandhealthweek/>

****Minutes must be approved and filed with the county Farm Bureau secretary****