

# Sénégal 4-H

## Linking University Experts with Grassroots Youth Leaders

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Positive Youth Development

In early 2015, ERA launched the “4-H Senegal: Youth and Agriculture Positive Youth Development” program.



## Why ERA uses 4-H ?

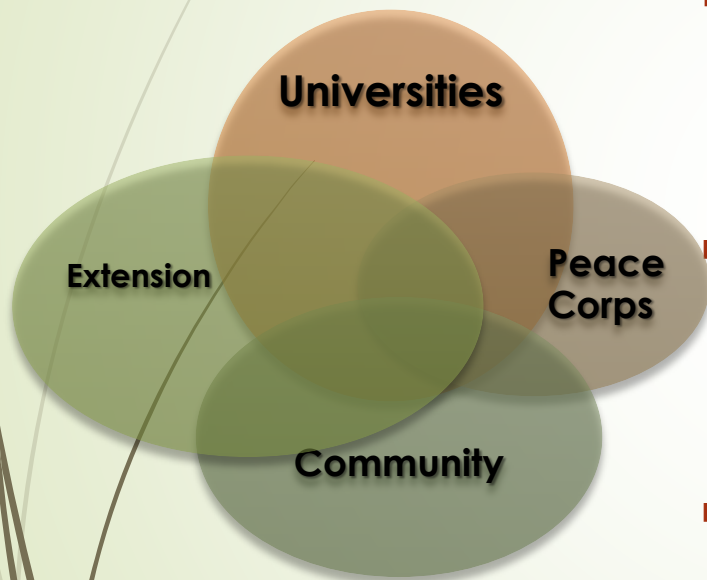
ERA found that 4-H is an exciting way to engage young people that foster a *healthy and productive “youth ecosystem”*

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4-H establishes **extra-curricular** clubs to promote **science, citizenship, agriculture, and healthy living** for primary and secondary students.



# Outreach & Partnership



- Community leaders volunteers encouraged by local authorities
- **Trained** by US 4-H experts
- Peace Corps Volunteers facilitating the coordination of the clubs at the grassroots level.
- and extension services advisory, technical guidance
- Shared ideas and participatory planning
- **University providing knowledge, technical expertise and role model**



# Senegal 4-H Today

## Where we are

- 15 clubs
  - 3 universities
  - 1 training center
  - 11 villages
  - 3 primary schools
  - Partners from Ministry of Youth
  - More than 1000 youngsters
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## The Drive



It is "patently evident that engaging youth fully in sub-Saharan Africa's development is not a matter of choice, but rather an imperative for national development" (United Nations, 2007, p. 83).

"Africa's future cannot be mapped out, and the African Union's mission fulfilled, without effectively addressing youth development, empowerment, and the preparation of young people for leadership and the fulfillment of their potential" (African Union, 2006, cited in United Nations, 2007, p. 104).







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**Thank you**