

# People Developing People

Every 4-H member strives to take their skill set, their leadership and their decision-making capacity to the next level, and for delegates who attend Alberta 4-H's People Developing People (PDP) and PDP Plus programs, this is precisely what they get to do.



The foundation of the People Developing People program is rooted in teamwork, leadership and awareness, with PDP 1 and 2 focusing on enhancing environmental sustainability, while delegates at PDP Plus grow in their knowledge of how to strengthen rural communities. This year's theme of "*Navigating the Seas*" was an apt fit for the PDP programs, as delegates were given the tools and knowledge necessary to take their learnings and return to their clubs, peers and communities as more informed, and involved citizens.



One of the major parts of the People Developing People program is the forum, which is a group challenge that delegates are presented with the outset of the program. Using information from the week's guest speakers and group discussions, as well as their own personal experiences, delegates come up with a plan to address the challenge. These solutions are then presented to a panel of judges during the banquet on the final night of the program.

PDP Plus delegates also took to the task of creating and planning a community event. Delegates, who had been put into groups with members from their district, came up with a diverse offering of ideas, ranging from environmental awareness days to a Canadian Cancer Society fundraiser to 4-H promotional activities. Ideally, these will be events that delegates will take back to their towns, schools or clubs and use as the activities as community-enhancing events.

In addition to all of this, select-a-sessions, ranging from outdoor living to the arts, beach time, a talent show, theme meals, and of course, the slip 'n' slide, kept PDP and PDP Plus delegates busy and entertained.



For more information on People Developing People (PDP) and PDP Plus, please visit the Alberta 4-H website, [www.4h.ab.ca](http://www.4h.ab.ca).

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