Congratulations to the 2014 UFA 4-H Alumni Volunteer Service Award, Ann-Marie Kalman!

2014 Recipient: 4-H Alberta, together with UFA, is pleased to congratulate the selected recipient of the 2014 UFA 4-H Alumni Volunteer Service Award, Ann-Marie Kalman! As a resident of Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta Ann-Marie has dedicated many hours to 4-H and to her community. According to her nominators, "Ann-Marie has chosen to commit countless hours volunteering for our local 4-H club [the Strathcona 4-H Reigns Riders], as well as other groups. Some of us are wearing out as volunteers and thankfully young people like her have stepped up to keep our community a better place....she has chosen to invest in our future."



As a member of the Hoofbeat 4-H Light Horse club for eleven years, Ann-Marie has been dedicated to 4-H and her community from the start. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Concordia University College of Alberta and has shared her knowledge by volunteering as a tutor for elementary and junior high school students and as a judge for the Edmonton Public School Science Fair. For the past seven years, Ann-Marie has been a leader for the Strathcona 4-H Reins Riders club, dedicating her time as a project leader for both Light Horse and Multi-Species Judging, and as the club's Public Speaking Coordinator. In past years she has also served as the club's Highway Clean-Up Coordinator and as a Public Speaking judge.

In addition to her wonderful contributions to 4-H Alberta, Ann-Marie also contributes time and energy to other worthy community events, associations, and clubs. She is the Edmonton Gymkhana Association "Friends of Finals" Coordinator, Director and volunteer for the Josephburg Riding Club, JAS Country Classic (UFA Country Classic Horse Show) volunteer, and past Queen Coordinator for the Edmonton Gymkhana Association. Ms. Kalman is a shining example of how a dedicated volunteer can positively impact many people and make lasting changes to her world.

Recognition Event: Ann-Marie is to be presented with her award on Friday, April 17, 2015 at 4 p.m. at the UFA Farm & Ranch store in Fort Saskatchewan (11111 - 86 Avenue Fort Saskatchewan, AB T8L 3W6). If you wish to attend the event and have the chance to congratulate Ann-Marie in person, please contact Ken Scott, Community Investment Coordinator | P: 403.860.4122 | E: ken.scott@ufa.com to RSVP.

About the Award: The UFA 4-H Alumni Volunteer Service Award annually recognizes an individual who has demonstrated leadership through volunteerism. The individual has made noteworthy contributions to the development and advancement of their local community by getting involved in 4-H and other community activities.

To be recognized, the 4-H Alberta Alumni recipient must be between 20 and 35 years of age; have pursued post-secondary education; returned and remained committed to their rural roots; and have enhanced their community as a 4-H volunteer for at least two years.

The recipient of the UFA 4-H Alumni Volunteer Service Award will be presented with a \$2,000 UFA gift certificate in recognition of their contributions.