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**Fralonda Aubrey, CEA 4-H
Urban Youth**

FRALONDA AUBREY, 4-H AGRILIFE EXTENSION

Mrs. Aubrey has been supporting the Harris County 4-H program for five years serving as the coordinator of the Urban Youth programs. She has taken on many leadership roles including support for the County Council, assisting with managing, Healthy Lifestyles, Food Show and Food Challenge contests, and lately anything that comes her way.

The Urban Youth Development is a specialized outreach effort within Harris Co. 4-H targeting youth with grant funded special interest programs and involves collaboration with youth serving agencies and organizations. Programs, activities, and workshops provide a 4-H experience to youth who may or may not belong to a chartered 4-H Club. Since 2015, Fralonda has provided leadership for a CYFA/USDA Grant funded program at Cristo Rey Jesuit College Preparatory School to offer educational experiences in Agri Science, career exploration, agricultural collegiate programs, health, and community sustainability. In 2016, Mickey Leland College Preparatory Academy for Young Men joined the project. She also provides leadership for the 4-H Wellness 360 program established with a \$50,000 grant to train 4-H Teens to lead and empower younger youth, peers, and families to establish life-long healthy habits today.

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**BRITTNEY IVEY, CEA 4-H AGRILIFE
LIVESTOCK**

**Brittney Ivey, 4-H CEA Livestock
and Shooting Sports**



Harris County 4-H Welcomes, Brittney Ivey who will serve as the new 4-H Livestock Extension Agent. Ms. Ivey is originally from Fort Worth, born in Houston and for the past two years she has been “Jack of All trades” Extension Agent in St James and St John the Baptist Parish working for Louisiana State University. Her degrees include: Bachelors in Animal Science from Stephen F Austin with a emphases in Livestock and Master’s Degree in Ag Chemical Sciences from McNeese State University. Ms. Ivey was active in FFA, raised chickens, lambs and was on the livestock and wool judging team. Has experience working with many animal programs including: broilers, cow-calf, horse, feeder cattle, heifer program, breed hogs and bull-calf programs. Worked for the National Cutting Horse Association in the membership department. She is also a competitive shooter since the age of 8 and still loves to shoot guns and bows. Ms. Ivey is very creative and has hosted many craft and sewing workshops. With her creative skills she makes her own costumes for her and her dog, makes décor and furniture for her home, and was a professional scrapbooker. She brings so many more skills and activities to the table, from her experience and many hobbies. Ms. Ivey is very happy to be back in Houston and Texas! Contact Brittney.Ivey@ag.tamu.edu

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RASHALA JOHNSON, 4-H AGRILIFE PROGRAM ASSISTANT

**Rashala Johnson , 4-H/ FCH
Program Assistant**

Rashayla Johnson, FCH/4-H Program Assistant in Harris County and is a 2017 graduate Sam Houston State University with a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Business. She currently manages two programs! One program is in Katy at Harmony Science Academy-Katy under the Growing U grant. There is where she teaches students about gardening, physical activities, STEM, and nutrition using the LGEG and JMG curriculums. She also teaches embryology at Drew Academy in Aldine ISD. Miss Johnson's goal is to bring 4-H programs to each school and charter a club. Our children are the future and participating in 4-H will instill great characteristics in them. Currently she is reviewing subject matter to lead about livestock judging (all species) and showmanship, clothing construction, and photography. Her hobbies include running, riding horses, and shopping

If you have any questions, my email is
Rashayla.johnson@ag.tamu.edu .



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**SUSAN CARAWAY, 4-H SECRETARY
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Susan Caraway, 4-H Secretary



Susan Caraway has been a steady hand guiding and supporting the Harris County 4-H program over the past 21 years. She is the go to person with questions on livestock, validation, and major show entries. Susan spends countless hours respond to calls, emails, and walk in inquiries to help folks find the right 4-H club for their needs. She has worked for years with Ag Teachers and committees to coordinate the annual Live Stock Validations and has faithfully processed thousands of contest and major show entries over the years. Susan has been the one constant in the Harris 4-H program and has guided and trained many 4-H Agents as they pursued a career with TX A&M AgriLife Extension and with the Preview A&M Cooperative System.

If you have any questions email Susan Caraway at scaraway@ag.tamu.edu or call 713-790-7215

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**JEREMY PEACHES, CEA 4-H
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION PRAIRIE VIEW
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**Jeremy Peaches, 4-H
Cooperative Extension**



Mr. Peaches graduated in May 2015 from Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU) with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture/Animal Science, is a graduate of the PVAMU Ag Leadership Program, 4-H Student Advisory Committee Chairman, Student Government Association Senator of Agriculture, Aquaponics Association Member, and Pentair Aquaponics Training Institute. Jeremy brings wealth of knowledge to the Urban Farm, he has interned with the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service, the United States Forest Service, Du Pont Agriculture division and PVAMU International Goat Research Center. He is an avid supporter of 4-H clubs and the Community Outreach Programs. He is very passionate about Agriculture from plants to animals, growing the local food industry and promoting self-sustainable food systems in the inner city. Recently as part of the Harris County 4-H Team he has judge numerous food challenges, food show, and goat show contests. Mr. Peaches took on a leadership role with help of Extension staff to facilitate the Kids, Kows, and More “Ag Awareness” program and coding activities.



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Jarren Small 4-H Cooperative Extension

JARREN SMALL, CEA 4-H COOPERATIVE EXTENSION PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

Jarren Small graduated from Prairie View A & M University fall 2012 with bachelors in Mass Communications with a Minor in Marketing. Small believes in funding and equipping disadvantage youth and communities through workshop programs and events. He has recently joined 4-H with the determination to help serve his community through creative literacy and Jr Gardening Programs. Mr. Small was an Eagle Scout- loves fishing, traveling, and camping.



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Sheryl Nolen, CEA 4-H /FCS



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**SHERYL NOLEN, CEA 4-H TX A&M
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Sheryl Nolen is saying farewell to Harris County 4-H after eleven years of service in Harris County and 19 years with TX A&M Extension Service . It is time to RETIRE! The opportunity to work with so many wonderful 4-H families and youth has been an inspiration everyday. Many Adult 4-H Leaders, Club Managers, and 4-H parents have supported the educational opportunities we were able to offer . I feel so fortunate to have had your support and thank you for the contributions. Thank you to West Houston Quilters Guild members have supported Summer Stitches Sewing Camps and donated fabric and sewing machines. The members also have served as judges for our Project Runway Fashion Show contests. The Houston 4-H CEO Group of 4-H Leaders has made so many new programs possible. Thank you all! A special thanks to the Master Gardeners who have supported the Learn, Grow, Eat, Go! programs at many area school and to the many teachers who have made these programs possible. It's been an amazing time and there were so many that did so much. I can only say thank you for bringing so much meaning to my life experience. The new Harris County 4-H Team brings a renewed vitality to our programs and expertise in many areas of subject matter. For Harris County 4-H the future looks bright. Wishing you all the best -Sheryl

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