

## National 4-H Council Selects Aramark to Manage National 4-H Conference Center

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PHILADELPHIA & CHEVY CHASE, Md.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- After a multi-year analysis, National 4-H Council has selected <u>Aramark</u> (NYSE: ARMK) to manage all operations of the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD. This new partnership aims to maximize value and ensure a healthy future for the Center, which has operated independently since 1959.

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National 4-H Council has selected Aramark to manage all operations of the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD. (Photo: Business Wire)

Designed as a center for youth development, the National 4-H Conference Center hosts 25,000 youth and adults from around the world each year. With more than 40 meeting rooms, overnight accommodations, and dining facilities the Center welcomes 800 groups for conferences and events annually on 12 acres of land just outside the nation's capital. A national leader in hospitality management, Aramark will bring its expertise to managing the National 4-H Conference Center which provides essential funding towards 4-H youth development programs.

"The National 4-H Conference Center is an important part of our mission and an icon for the entire 4-H system," said Jennifer Sirangelo, president and CEO, National 4-H Council. "We must keep investing in its future and this move to partner with Aramark is an important way to protect the property and the people who make it a welcoming place for youth and adults around the world. Aramark's worldwide expertise and sustainable business model are what we need to continue to grow and thrive."

"4-H has a long, proud history of empowering youth and teaching important life skills," said Bruce W. Fears, president of Aramark's Leisure division. "We're honored to partner with the nation's largest youth development organization to manage the National 4-H Conference Center and are excited to work with them to help deliver an experience for visitors and guests that promotes the 4-H mission and provides a positive and welcoming learning environment."

In keeping with Council's commitment to workforce development, Aramark will invest in employee training and support as current Center employees transition to become Aramark employees. Aramark will honor the seniority, current pay scale, and work schedules of Center personnel.

## About 4-H

4-H, the nation's largest youth development organization, grows confident young people who are empowered for life today and prepared for career tomorrow. 4-H programs empower nearly 6 million young people across the U.S. through experiences that develop critical life skills. 4-H is the youth development program of our nation's Cooperative Extension System and USDA, and serves every county and parish in the U.S. through a network of 110 public universities and more than 3000 local Extension offices. The research-backed 4-H experience grows young people who are four times more likely to contribute to their communities; two times more likely to make healthier choices; two times more likely to be civically active; and two times more likely to participate in STEM programs.

Learn more about 4-H at www.4-h.org, find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/4-h and follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/4h.

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