

<b>Story Title</b>	4-H Camp Overlook works with law enforcement to ensure safety of community and campers
<b>Program</b>	Franklin - 4-H Youth Development
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<b>Is this related to an Equal Program/Employment Opportunity?</b>	No
<b>Executive Summary</b>	In June, the state manhunt for two escaped convicts came to 4-H Camp Overlook's backyard. While it causes a mild disruption in programming and enrollment, camp's partnership with local and state law enforcement created a positive dynamic and flow of information that allowed camp and camper's parents to make the most up to date decisions on safety. The safety of our campers and staff was always utmost in our deliberations, and during the manhunt we were confident that we were abreast with the situation and continued to keep parents informed until the search was completed. Camp also allowed canine units to be housed at camp free of charge until the search was completed.
<b>Issues/Needs and Audiences</b>	During the manhunt, camp families were concerned about camp's safety, and wanted up to date accurate information on the search. Parents wanted to be assured camp was going to continue, and that all possible safety measures were taken into account. According to figures released by the New York State comptroller's office in August, the manhunt for the escaped convicts cost the state an average of 1 million dollars a day.
<b>Extension Responses</b>	During the manhunt, Extension kept in close contact with law enforcement daily, and cleared camp when appropriate to do so. Part of camp's duty during this time was to keep parents on situation, with posts on our website, phone calls, and social media. Camp also allowed law enforcement to do their job freely without compromising information by opening camp up to the state police, who used the facility to house some of its canine units free of charge, but not broadcasting this to the public and compromising the search.
<b>Accomplishments and Impacts</b>	4-H Camp Overlook allowed police to do their job, and were kept up to date with the latest information to successfully plan on summer camp, and well as twice daily safety sweeps of the facility by the canine units housed there. This symbiotic relationship strengthened ties with local enforcement and allowed a freer flow of information. Keeping parents up to date with the current information allowed the least amount of disruption in program and enrollment that the situation would allow.
<b>Collaborators</b>	New York State Police County Sheriff, Border Patrol, DOC

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