



2010 Australia Exchange

- Who:** 4-H youth ages 16-19 (must turn 16 by the date of travel)
- What:** Travel to Australia with 4-H youth from across the U.S. and stay with an Australian host family in the state of Victoria during your stay. Similar to 4-H families, many of the host families will live in rural areas and/or on farms. An adult chaperone will travel with the delegation on all international flights and stay in Australia for the entire exchange period to assist with any delegate concerns/issues.
- When:** **June 16 – July 15, 2010**
- Where:** Group Orientation in Los Angeles prior to departure for Melbourne where there will be an Arrival Orientation to introduce you to Australia. At the end of the home stay, you will spend a few days in Sydney before returning to the U.S.
- How:** This exchange is coordinated with the Australian Exchange Network who will organize the Arrival Orientation and the host family stays.

Cost: Estimated at \$2900 plus Airfare

Total program costs (program fee + airfare) are estimated to be **\$4900 - \$5400**

Final cost will be dependent upon currency exchange, transportation costs, and the delegate's home airport.

Program Costs Include:

- In-Australia expenses: transportation, lodging, meals
- Sightseeing in Sydney
- Orientation in Los Angeles and Melbourne
- Health & Accident Insurance
- Australian Visa
- Pre-trip conference calls, orientation materials, t-shirt
- Administrative costs
- A portion of the adult chaperone expenses

Additional costs to be paid by each delegate may include:

- Some meals in Melbourne and Sydney
- Passport
- Gifts for host family members
- Spending money and all other personal items

Application Deadline: January 8, 2010 (received in State 4-H Office by this date)

Payment Schedule

- **February 1st** **\$500 deposit with application** (refundable until April 1st)
- **March 1st** **Airfare** (estimated at \$2000 – \$2500 depending on home airport; non-refundable once issued)
- **May 1st** **Remaining balance**

Cancellation Policy

- **Payments NOT refundable after each deadline (Airfare NOT refundable once issued)**
- Cancellations must be made in writing
- For exceptional circumstances, refunds are made on a case-by-case basis