



# 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:** Departure Orientation in Los Angeles prior to flight to 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 prior to 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:** **\$3000 plus Airfare.** Total estimated program costs are approximately **\$5000 – \$5500.** Final cost is dependent upon currency exchange, transportation costs, and the delegate's home airport.

Program Fee Includes:

- Roundtrip airfare to/from home state
- In-Australia expenses: transportation, lodging, meals
- Orientations in Los Angeles and Melbourne
- Health and accident insurance
- Australian Visa
- Pre-trip conference calls/orientation materials/T-shirts
- A portion of the working expenses of the adult chaperone(s)
- Administrative costs
- Sightseeing in Sydney

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 15, 2010**

**Payment Schedule:**

- **January 15<sup>th</sup>** **\$900 deposit with Application** (refundable until April 1)
- **February 15<sup>th</sup>** **Airfare** (estimated at \$2000 - \$2500 depending on home airport)
- **April 15<sup>th</sup>** **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

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