



**Four little gardeners and their adult daycare provider don't even come close to being as tall as the majestic sunflowers they planted this spring at the "community garden" spot adjacent to the USDA/Farm Service Agency building in Grant. Nearly 40 youngsters from Hugs-n-Teddybears Daycare facility at the hospital took part in planting and tending to cucumbers, tomatoes, peppers, squash, onions, watermelon and corn, in addition to sunflowers and petunias. Pictured are (l-r): Shyne Hickey, Emily Wilson, Laura Campbell and Danica Turner. Back: Teresa Elmshaeuser. This is the third year the daycare children have planted a garden on the premises. "It's so great that the USDA involved us—the kids have a great time," said Shari Anderson, director of the daycare. "We really appreciate it." It is the first year for an addition of six garden plots that are being tended by members of the community through USDA funding applied for by the Grant United Methodist Church. (Photo by Jan Rahn)**