# I Believe...

in the future of agriculture with a faith born not of words but of deeds.

# WAYS OF GIVING-INDIVIDUAL

The Kansas FFA Foundation provides various methods of giving including one-time gifts, pledges, gifts of commodities, estate planning and everything in-between. The Foundation strives to work with donors, providing methods of giving that will assist them in meeting their philanthropic goals.

### **PLEDGES**

The majority of cash gifts come in the form of pledges. By spreading a donation over time, pledges help you make larger gifts at your own pace, allowing for a greater impact on the Kansas FFA. The Foundation also welcomes one-time cash gifts.

### AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Any actively engaged farmer/rancher can have significant tax savings by donating grain or livestock directly to the Kansas FFA Foundation. An agriculturalist can see more significant tax reductions through gifts of a commodity than through donating cash. Gifts of grain/livestock do not have to be claimed as income to the self-employed farmer/rancher, but all grain/livestock production expenses can be deducted. These types of gifts can result in triple tax savings; federal, state and self-employment tax.

### PLANNED GIVING

Many donors find the most significant financial flexibility and tax benefits through planned giving donations. These vehicles include Wills, Living Trust, Annuities, Charitable Remainder Unitrusts, Life Insurance and others.

#### IRA DISTRIBUTIONS

The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2016 finally made permanent the ability to make qualified charitable distributions (QCDs) from individual retirement accounts.

# CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS

Enhance your visibility, agricultural commitment and awareness through the Kansas FFA Foundation Corporate Sponsorship. So many agriculture-based industries have thanked FFA for the education and development of employability skills and their current FFA employee alumnus who have made countless contributions to their company. It is no wonder that ag-businesses feel a natural partnership with the Kansas FFA and want to support their mission and purpose. Our Corporate Sponsorships program provides an excellent opportunity to invest in the future of your company.

There are multiple events throughout the year that offer sponsorship opportunities at various levels. Additional information is available through our sponsorship brochure or by contacting the Kansas FFA Foundation.

# CIVIC ORGANIZATION AND GRANT-FUNDING FOUNDATIONS

There are various nonprofit organizations across Kansas and beyond, that distribute grants to support agriculture, youth education and leadership development. The Kansas FFA Foundation welcomes the opportunity to partner with these organization as a recipient of granted funds to sustain the future of agriculture.

# MATCHING GIFTS AND EMPLOYEE GIVING

Many employers sponsor matching gift programs and will match charitable contributions made to the Kansas FFA Foundation. Using a matching gift program through your employer can double, or even triple, the impact of your gift. Each company has its own guidelines, but most include matching gifts made by employees and some add spouses of employees and retirees of the company.

### GIFTS OF STOCK AND OTHER SECURITIES

Appreciated stocks, bonds, U.S. Treasury notes and mutual funds make excellent planned giving gifts while providing additional tax savings for you.

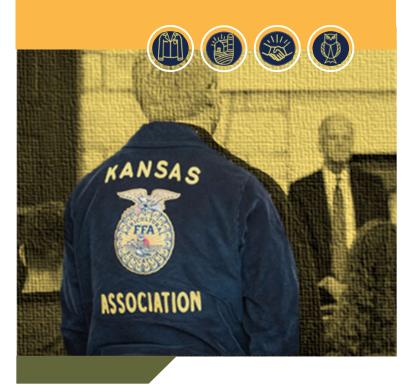
# THE FUTURE OF AGRICULTURE KANSAS FFA FOUNDATION



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# OUR YOUTH. OUR FUTURE. OUR KANSAS FFA.

Kansas FFA Foundation Endowment Campaign





# Learning to Do,

# Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve.

# KANSAS FFA ASSOCIATION

The Kansas FFA Association makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Our state now boasts 224 chapters and more than 10,000 members statewide. The State Association operates programs that support the work of the local FFA chapters. These programs include competitive events, scholarships, awards and student leadership development programs, membership operations, State Convention, conferences, training and support activities for agriculture educators. FFA members participate in more than 25 different leadership and career development events each year.

# KANSAS FFA FOUNDATION

The Kansas FFA Foundation has a unique and critical role in supporting the mission, programs and activities of the Kansas FFA Association. The Foundation builds partnerships with ag-related businesses, education and foundation organizations, industry entities, and individuals to accomplish this task. Charitable donations to the Foundation helps to ensure that 10,000 Kansas FFA members have the best possible opportunities for developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. The generosity of our sponsors and donors prepares FFA members for success in life and gives them the skills to be highly productive citizens.

# ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN SUPPORTS KANSAS FFA MISSION

# THE FUTURE OF AGRICULTURE



Giving to an endowment is an excellent means to impact FFA members' lives for generations to come. Endowments provide a dependable and perpetual source of funding. These funds sustain the KS FFA programs, services and activities that achieve the FFA mission—premier leadership, personal growth and career success.

# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

KS FFA prepares today's members for tomorrow's jobs in agriculture, food and natural resources. Career and Technical Education (CTE) provides students with technical, academic and employability expertise. The same qualities and skills are sought out by colleges, universities and ag-related employers in a world where 1 in 3 people work in agriculture.

# **EDUCATOR DEVELOPMENT**



At the core of FFA's purpose are our Agricultural educators. The KS FFA Foundation initiated the Beginning Educator Support Team (BEST) that provides mentoring, coaching, training and availability to best practices for agriculture educators in their first years of teaching. Endowment funds will support this program and other educator-focused programs such as State FFA Advisor, KAAE, educator professional development, and CASE curriculum.



# **EMPOWERING YOUTH LEADERSHIP**

A significant part of FFA's curriculum focuses on the development of premier leadership skills. These lessons produce strong, young leaders who will lead local, state and national, agricultural businesses, become meaningful community advocates and foster an uncompromising work ethic. The KS FFA Foundation supports youth leadership programs and development through stipends, scholarships and grants to attend training, conferences and leadership events.



There will come a day that I will outgrow this blue jacket, but I will never, ever outgrow the Kansas FFA experience. I want to thank all the donors for allowing me to realize my passion, to have hope in my future and give me the tools, skills and education to make my dreams a reality.

Ashley Chandler, Neodesha 2021 Kansas FFA State President

# THE POWER OF AN ENDOWMENT

As the Kansas FFA Foundation looks to secure the future of the Kansas FFA and build more reliable funding options, the Kansas FFA Foundation Board of Trustees have created an endowment fund. Endowment gifts have been described as "the gift that keeps on giving." Through the power of an endowment, your gift can grow over time while the annual gains are distributed to support the mission and programs of the Kansas FFA Association and Foundation.

Currently, the Kansas FFA is funded through a combination of grants, government funding and charitable contributions, none of which are guaranteed. The endowment fund will help maintain the programs and Kansas FFA presence and even allow for potential growth of opportunities, scholarships and programs for both FFA members and agriculture educators.

To this end, the Trustees have announced *Our Youth. Our Future. Our Kansas FFA.* endowment plus campaign. This campaign is a statewide effort that will invite individuals, businesses, industry, education, government and foundations to secure the future of one of the most prominent agriculture youth leadership and career development organization in the state of Kansas. From the ag teachers to FFA members and state officers to volunteers, your donation will support the ongoing efforts of the Kansas FFA Foundation and impact the lives of FFA members for generations to come.

In 1928, FFA was born in Kansas City, where 33 young farm boys charted a course for the future. Little did they know how many young agriculturalists would put on the official FFA jacket and champion the FFA creed. Today, the Kansas FFA remains committed to youth leadership and career development with nearly 10,000 members and 224 FFA chapters across the state. Please join us in supporting the future of agriculture in the state of Kansas by donating to our endowment plus campaign.

For more information: www.ksffa.org/foundation