



Talent Development of Youth Involved with County Fairs

Upon completion of their Fair Participation our youth are going on to get post secondary education and many continue to be involved in their local communities. This includes Career Technical Education as well as Degree programs. Our organization annually gives out scholarships to outstanding fair youth from across the state.

Recent scholarship winners areas of study include: Agriscience Education, Agriculture Communications, PreVet Science, Animal Sciences in both Dairy and Livestock, Elementary Education, Extension Education, and Fisheries and Wildlife to name a few.

We are proud to share that our fairs generate new involved volunteers from those who have participated in the fair and exhibition experience. Many of our best volunteers are those who participated in fairs as a youth and they come from multiple generation families who continue to give back to their communities.

We grow our own replacements to help put on our events and serve in our communities in leadership capacities. In the halls of the State Capitol are a number of individuals who grew up in our fairs and have gone on to serve the citizens of our state.

We appreciate and are very thankful for the past support of the Fair Capitol Improvement Grant Program by both the Legislature and the Executive Branches. We would ask that you continue the funding level at \$300,000.00 or above and we will continue to create opportunities for Youth Talent Development in our communities.