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MEDINA COUNTY

2025 Scholarship Recipients



Case Hummel– Case is the son of Stephen and Katie Hummel of Medina. He currently attends Ferris State University studying Welding Engineering Technology, and Leadership and Project Management. His anticipated graduation date is May 2028. When asked about his career goals Case stated: “My goals are to receive my bachelor's degree and establish a welding and fabrication business in Medina. Through this business, my goals are to facilitate the welding process through engineering, repairing, and creating structures. I anticipate being able to effectively and efficiently maintain, repair, and expedite the farming process through mobile and in-shop work.” Good luck, Case!



Chloe Howard– Chloe is the daughter of PJ and Christina Howard of Spencer and currently attends The Ohio State University. Chloe anticipates graduating with a degree in Agricultural Engineering in May 2027. When asked to describe her career goals Chloe stated: “After graduation, my goal is to work with farmers to develop sustainable, affordable solutions that alleviate financial, physical, and environmental stress. I believe in the importance of communication and when possible, plan to travel to the farms that I am working with to fully understand how the operation works, and the history of their farm, and help them to implement the new practice.” Best Wishes Chloe!

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Growing Tomorrow Grant - Application deadline of July 31

This grant is the brainchild of Mike Boyert, a former Ohio Farm Bureau board trustee, and his wife Patti. Mike and Patti, residents of Medina County, remember well the struggles they encountered when they started their farming careers, and the difficulties they faced in starting, growing, and sustaining their farming business. The Growing Tomorrow Grant program is Mike and Patti's way of ensuring that creative young farmers can access opportunities they did not have, and enabling these young professionals to use their skills to alleviate the difficulties facing agriculture today, including a lack of public education regarding the importance of farms within the US food system and the significant economic hardships facing rural communities and farm workers.

Who is eligible? Young professionals and entrepreneurs who are looking to secure startup funds for a new business or seeking funds to enhance the impact of an existing business are encouraged to apply! Grant recipients should have a solid business plan and sustainable solution to one or more of the four challenges listed above. Please review the detailed requirements to apply for this grant at ofbf.org/foundation.



What are the size of the grants awarded?

The Growing Tomorrow Grant program intends to award up to \$100,000 among the top finalists in late 2025. For questions regarding the Growing Tomorrow Grant, please contact Ohio Farm Bureau at mklopfenstein@ofbf.org.

2025 Scholarship Recipients, continued



Gabriella Izzo- Gabriella is the daughter of Antonio and Emily Izzo of Seville and is a 2025 graduate of Cloverleaf High School. Gabriella plans to attend The University of Findlay where she plans to double major in Animal Science / Pre-Vet and Chemistry in hopes of becoming a large-animal veterinarian. "Once I have a stable career as a large animal veterinarian, I would like to build a flock of registered Dorsets and join the Medina County Sheep Committee and Senior Fair Board. Some of the most influential people in my life have been my sheep breeders. While I have always had ambitions to succeed in the show ring, I didn't always have the knowledge. The breeder that I currently work with has been truly invested in my success." We wish you the best of luck Gabriella!



Seth Hummel- Seth is the son of Stephen and Katie Hummel of Medina and a 2025 graduate of Highland High School. Seth plans to attend The Ohio State University this fall to study Agribusiness and Applied Economics. When asked about his career goals Seth stated: "Within the next 10 years, I hope to use my future degree in Agribusiness to support the local farm industry and help make family farms prosperous into the next generation. I hope to be in a position to positively impact farmers because I believe that all farmers deserve equal opportunities and insight within the industry that they sustain." Good luck, Seth!



Taylor Csanyi- Taylor is the daughter of Tom and Jen Csanyi of Medina. She currently attends The Ohio State University studying Health Sciences and Engineering Sciences. Her anticipated graduation date is May 2026. "In ten years, I see myself still being involved in agriculture, even if only as a personal hobby. My main concentration will be on medicine, but I plan to have a home garden where I can continue growing my produce. I also want to use my knowledge of nutrition and food sources to educate my future patients about the role diet plays in overall health. I would be involved in community gardening to enable more people to have fresh homegrown food if given a chance." We wish you the best of luck Taylor!

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Upcoming Events

Twilight Tour & Dairy Summit - July 15

Zido Valley Dairy (3024 S Jefferson Rd. Wooster)

Time: 3-5 PM (Dairy Summit); 6-9 PM (Twilight Tour)

The Dairy Summit will feature a lineup of speakers from OSU, Ohio Dept of Ag and the Ohio Dairy Producer Association and ADA Mideast. The Twilight Tour will include an industry tradeshow and tour of Zido Valley Dairy. A selection of food trucks will offer meals for \$10/person and vouchers will be provided for attendees to receive ice cream at no cost. Parking will be available on the farm. In case of inclement weather, shuttles will transport attendees from Triway High School.

This event is put on by the Wayne-Ashland Dairy Services Unit, OSU Extension-Wayne County and Zido Valley Dairy. For more information, visit wayne.osu.edu or call 330-264-8722.



Season's Harvest - Aug 14

This year's farm to table dinner will be hosted by Geig's Orchard in Seville and the meal will be prepared by Chef Anthony of 111 Bistro. Tickets are \$150/person and can be purchased at our website. Proceeds from this event will benefit Feeding Medina County. We are in need of volunteers to assist with the following: 8/13 evening (set up tables and chairs), 8/14 noon (event set up), 8/14 5 PM (help serving and clearing tables) and 8/14 9 PM (tear down). If any of these service areas appeal to your interests or skill sets, we would greatly appreciate your help! If you are interested in helping, please call us or email medina@ofbf.org.

Fair Kickoff Picnic - July 27

Medina County Farm Bureau invites 4-H exhibitors and advisors to the 4th annual Fair Kickoff Picnic located in the pavilion north of the show barn. Stop by anytime between 4 and 6 PM to grab a quick dinner. All Farm Bureau member families of livestock exhibitors are welcome. Non-member families are welcome with a donation.



Food available as long as supplies last. Want to help? Follow the QR code or give us a call!

Medina County Fair - July 28 to Aug 3

Medina County Farm Bureau is excited to, once again, offer Agricultural Acre at this year's Medina County Fair! And we could use help from members! Sign up to help keep an eye on things in the tent as well as pass out ice cream for the scavenger hunt. The tent has hatching chicks, a lassoing station, corn box, milking cow (fiberglass) and more! Great for all ages!

Those signing up for a shift will be offered 1 of 2 options for a thank you item: either an admission pass OR a voucher for Rader's ice cream. If you want the admission pass, please provide your address when you sign up online (otherwise, you will have the opportunity to claim an ice cream voucher at the fair). To see shift availability and to sign up, follow the QR code or give us a call.



Save the Date

2025 Annual Meeting

Date: Tues, Sept 23

Location: Williams on the Lake (787 Lafayette Rd Medina)

Time: Dinner and social hour at 6:30 PM. Business meeting begins at 7:30 PM.

Full details will be provided in a postcard invitation later this summer.

Brown Trump Homestead Open House

Date: Sat, Sept 6

Location: 4092 Medina Rd. Medina, OH

Time: 12 - 4 PM

Full details will be available soon at www.friendsofmedinacountyparks.org

Fall Foliage Tour

Date: Sat and Sun, Oct 10 and 11

Location: Liverpool, Brunswick, Hinckley, & Granger townships

Time: 12 - 5 PM

Full details will be available soon at medinacountyparks.com

2025 Ag Toy Drive

Date: Tues, Nov 25

Location: TBD

Time: 5:30 - 8 PM

Full details will be emailed to members in Nov. Details will also be at ofbf.org.

Thank you to our business partners!



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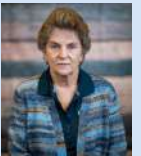
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Thank you for your service!

Susie Anderson is retiring on September 30 after 25 total years of service to Farm Bureau and 15 years of service at our Wooster office. We will be recognizing Susie at our annual meeting. If you cannot attend the annual meeting and want to share well wishes, please feel free to mail a card or call the office!



Make sure to save the
 date for the Medina
 County Farm Bureau
 Annual Meeting on
 September 23!