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Fiscal Year 2015 Year End Report, July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015

Dear FFA Supporters,

In the past year, our Foundation **doubled** its corporate and individual contributions, gained its most significant annual commitment ever (Farm Credit Mid-America) and led the effort to secure regional staff for FFA after more than 30 years without adequate support. Its been a good year to say the least.

This year we raised \$767,640. That's compared to \$517,644 raised in FY 2014. Also this year, we more than tripled our Foundation record for corporate contributions from \$94,640 set in FY 2014 to \$290,363. In the last quarter of the year, we raised \$162,393 compared to \$119,179 in the same quarter last year.

Our Foundation is growing monthly and we plan to keep the momentum into FY 2016. To aide in that growth, consider increasing your personal giving to the Foundation this fiscal year. With your help, we'll prepare the next generation of FFA members for a bright future in and beyond the classroom.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Rose

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Executive Director



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Congratulations Tom Womack!

Past FFA State Officer and Foundation Board member Tom Womack was recently appointed as the Department of Agriculture's Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs.

Top 5 Contributors April 1-June 30, 2015

1. [Tennessee Department of Agriculture](#), \$55,000 grant
2. [Tennessee Farmers Cooperative](#), \$7,700
3. [CoBank](#), \$5,000; [Tipton Farmers Co-op](#), \$5,000; [Tennessee Ag In The Classroom Foundation](#), \$5,000

For a listing of all contributions during Q4, [click here](#).



Last month, Tennessee FFA's Stars traveled from Camp Clements in Doyle to Memphis during the Inaugural Tennessee FFA Star Tour presented by [Farm Credit Mid-America](#). For photos from the tour, [click here](#). To see press releases highlighting Jordin (above) and the other four stars, [click here](#). Thank you Farm Credit!



NRA Grant for New Rifle Benches: Foundation Chairman Ben Byler (center) led the effort to seek grant funds from the National Rifle Association (NRA) Foundation for new rifle benches for FFA Camp Clements. Formerly, students laid on thin pads to shoot at targets and learn firearms safety while at camp. Thanks to Dr. Byler and volunteers from the Cookeville FFA chapter, camp has 14 new rifle benches, one for every shooting station.

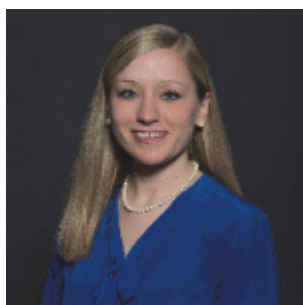


Foundation Training for State Officers: For the second year, Foundation staff spent time with the FFA State Officers teaching them how to interact with sponsors and adults. The Tennessee Farmers Cooperative and Electric Cooperative Association hosted the two-day training near Nashville. Training concluded with visits to actual stakeholders.

Pictured above are the officers with Sponsoring Committee member and AT&T Tennessee President Joelle Phillips.



Foundation Flashback: This photo was taken during a 2006 meeting of the Foundation Sponsoring Committee. Chairman Lee Todd led the discussion. He was the first chairman of the Sponsoring Committee and recently handed the baton to David Lynn of Farm Credit Mid-America. We're thankful for your service, Mr. Todd!



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