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Tennessee FFA Foundation, Inc. Quarterly

Fiscal Year 2016, Q1: July 1-September 30, 2015

- In the first quarter of FY 2016, the Foundation raised **\$63,451.34** and received **\$250,000** in grant monies from the State of Tennessee funded through the Department of Agriculture.
- Of the \$63,451.34 raised from organizations and individuals in Q1, **\$48,653.89** was raised in [new](#) commitments from either new or existing donors.
- In 2014, \$297,295.18 was raised over the same time period (July 1-Sept. 30). That figure included more than \$13,000 in FFA member dues, which are no longer assessed by the Foundation.
- Total liabilities and net assets as of 09/30/15: **\$4,960,020.88**.



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Top 5 Contributors July 1-Sept. 30, 2015

1. John E. Mayfield to establish scholarship fund, \$10,000
2. [Tennessee Farmers Cooperative](#), \$5,300
3. [CHS Foundation](#), \$5,000
4. [Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation](#), [Farm Bureau Health Plans](#) and [Farm Bureau Insurance of Tennessee](#), \$4,450
5. [Pinnacle Bank](#), \$3,000

For a listing of all contributions during Q1, [click here](#).



Barn Tours at Tennessee State Fair

Thanks to the Tennessee State Fair Association for sponsoring FFA Chapters at \$400/day to lead Barn Tours during the Fair for the 2nd year. Chapters from each of the three Grand Divisions led the tours.

Pictured above are students from the DeKalb County FFA chapter with a young fairgoer.



The Inaugural Tennessee State Fair FFA Ham Breakfast raised more than \$20,000 for FFA. With more than 400 sponsors, stakeholders and FFA members in attendance, the event was a big success.

[Joe Scarlett](#), former Tractor Supply Co. CEO, was the keynote speaker. His message on leadership must have inspired the crowd because immediately following the address, the ham auction garnered \$4,200 per ham for the two Grand Champion Tennessee State Fair Hams purchased by Farm Bureau and Wilson Bank & Trust with the Wilson Co. Fair.

Major breakfast sponsors were: [Clifty Farm](#), [Kroger](#), [Tennessee State Fair Association](#), and [Tosh Farms](#). 50 businesses and individuals sponsored tables for \$250. [Click here](#) to see the breakfast program and a listing of table sponsors.



Tosh Joins Sponsoring Committee: Jimmy Tosh, owner of [Tosh Farms](#) in Henry, recently accepted an appointment to the Foundation [Sponsoring Committee](#) joining an elite group of sponsor representatives. Tosh is the 24th largest pork producer in the U.S. and the largest in Tennessee with 13,000 acres of land in West Tennessee. While FFA members, Tosh and his son Jamey were each named West TN Star Farmer.



Campbell Hired as Development Coordinator: Jessie Campbell has been hired as Development Coordinator for the Tennessee FFA Foundation, Inc. In this full-time role, Jessie will assist with fundraising, program planning and stewardship. She is a Past FFA State Officer and a University of Tennessee graduate. Jessie's email address is: jessiecampbell@tnffa.org.



Deep Fried Tennessee FFA Food Trailer: Thousands of State Fair attendees sampled made-in-Tennessee products prepared by FFA members. And did we mention those products were all deep fried? The food trailer and FFA members were featured in statewide newspapers and on the three major Nashville news networks during the Fair. Products were donated by: McKee Foods, The Chocolate Ladies, Savannah Food Company, and Southern Valley. Chapters raised \$400 each.

2014 Annual Report Published: Nearly 4,000 copies of the newest Annual Report were sent recently to FFA supporters. An additional 500 copies were printed for use throughout the year. To view the report online and to save a copy, [click here](#).

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