# **2020 CHS Stewardship Report**





#### THREE-YEAR ACHIEVEMENTS

CHS Stewardship is committed to making a measurable impact through our giving investments. By creating strong connections with cooperatives and organizations that empower agriculture, CHS Stewardship met or exceeded our 2018-2020 impact goals. This report celebrates the tangible ways we embrace the cooperative spirit and marks the beginning of a new set of three-year aspirations.

## **CHS Community Giving**

communities received safety equipment and training

33,000

youth learned lifesaving safety and health lessons

communities received matching grants

communities benefited from CHS volunteers



2020 Goal: 430



2020 Goal: 30,000



2020 Goal: 300



2020 Goal: 100

## **CHS Foundation**

4,500

ag teachers prepared to

6,000

ag students benefited from inspire the next generation scholarships and university support 72,000

students better prepared for ag careers

11,225

future ag leaders have learned about the co-op business model



2020 Goal: 3,000



2020 Goal: 6,000



2020 Goal: 55,000



2020 Goal: 10,500

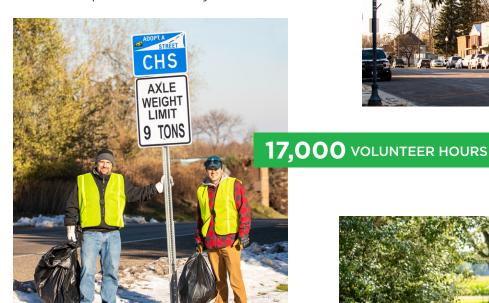


At CHS, we create connections to empower agriculture. In 2020, **CHS Community Giving** demonstrated our cooperative spirit by building collaborations that strengthen and uplift hometown communities for lasting success. Our investments in rural America focused on advancing agricultural safety training, matching cooperative contributions to local projects and encouraging employee volunteerism in our communities.

#### **80** COOPERATIVES

CHS partnered with **80 cooperatives** to support projects and organizations in **135 rural communities**, including local fire departments, FFA and 4-H programs. We also provided donations to <u>Feeding America</u>, <u>Greater Twin Cities United Way</u> and rural nonprofits to assist with COVID-19 response and recovery.





CHS employees reported more than **17,000 volunteer hours** through the CHS Days of Service program. Employees used their hours to clean up highways, stock food shelves, assist local youth organizations and more.



More than 1,000 farmers, ranchers, rural healthcare professionals and community influencers received training to identify people in need of mental health support and connect them with resources through partnership with AgriSafe.



The <u>CHS Foundation</u> continued its mission to develop ag leaders for life by supporting high-impact ag leadership, cooperative education and university projects. By supporting programs that reach students of all ages, the CHS Foundation is building strong ag career pathways.

## **\$1 MILLION** FOR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES



Colleges and universities received **\$1 million** in investments to support innovative precision ag programs and new initiatives encouraging diverse and nontraditional students to pursue careers in agriculture.

#### **17,000** AG STUDENTS

**430** HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

**430 high school ag students** learned about the agricultural cooperative business model and careers using My Local Cooperative curriculum.

Support of <u>National FFA</u> and 17 state FFA associations provided leadership development opportunities for more than **17,000 ag students**.

Students at **25 colleges and universities** who faced obstacles caused by COVID-19 were able to purchase computers, textbooks and necessary supplies to help them succeed in distance-learning.



#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Building on the success of recent accomplishments, CHS Stewardship moves forward with a clear and purposeful focus for the next three years. We look forward to partnering with others and making meaningful investments that enrich communities, inspire tomorrow's leaders and strengthen the ag industry.

## **CHS Community Giving Goals**

By 2023, we will invest \$5.3 million to:

Impact
250
rural communities by partnering with member cooperatives



Teach

30,000

youth about ag safety



Achieve
20%
increase in employee
volunteerism



#### **CHS Foundation Goals**

By 2023, we will invest \$11.5 million to:

Enlighten
25,000
students about ag careers



12,000 students about ag co-ops



Support 125,000 future ag leaders



CHS invites you to continue learning about the impact and value of our stewardship work. Visit **chsinc.com/stewardship** or subscribe to our e-newsletter by emailing **stewardship@chsinc.com**.



