



STEWARDSHIP SPOTLIGHT

MARCH 2019



Check out the CHS Stewardship Report!

The CHS Stewardship team is committed to making a meaningful difference in rural America. On behalf of our farmer and cooperative owners, we partner with organizations to strengthen hometown communities and develop the next generation of ag leaders. Take a look at the [2018 Stewardship Report](#) to learn more about our company's stewardship goals and the exciting things happening as we work toward our goals for 2020.

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CHS COMMUNITY GIVING

Doing Better – Together

Introducing CHS Community Giving

Working together to accomplish great things. That's what we do at CHS. Our direct giving efforts work

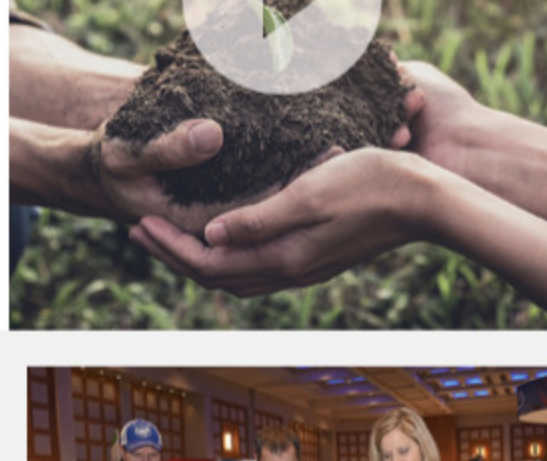
to strengthen hometown communities. Now these efforts

have a new name: CHS Community Giving. Watch the video to learn

more about how we're doing better

— together.

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Use your Days of Service hours to give back

Last year, CHS employees reported using 23,000 hours to volunteer in their local communities. CHS is proudly offering Days of Service hours again in 2019. Visit CHS Source to learn more about using your hours to help others and give back to your community.

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Serving those who serve us

CHS farmer owners got involved with giving back by packing 700 care kits for troops overseas in partnership with CHS and the CHS Veterans Resource group at the CHS Annual Meeting. In just a few hours, owners packed 715 kits, wrote 583 personal notes and made 200 paracord bracelets that were distributed to service members in Kuwait shortly after the new year.

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Seeds for Stewardship grants awarded

CHS Community Giving recently awarded more than 30 Seeds for Stewardship grants to help cooperatives make an even bigger difference in their hometowns. The next application cycle is May 1 to July 1, 2019. Encourage cooperatives you work with to apply.

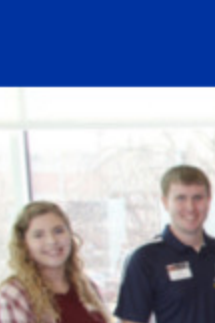
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2020 GOAL PROGRESS

238

communities received safety equipment and training



2020 Goal: 430

11,229

youth learned lifesaving safety and health lessons



2020 Goal: 30,000

113

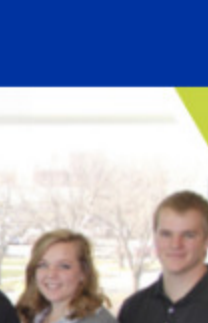
communities received matching grants



2020 Goal: 300

30

communities benefitted from CHS volunteers



2020 Goal: 100

CHS FOUNDATION

Developing Ag Leaders for Life

CHS Foundation announces gift to support SDSU precision agriculture program

The CHS Foundation recently announced a \$1.5 million grant to support the South Dakota State University (SDSU) precision agriculture program and construction of the new Raven Precision Agriculture Center on campus.

SDSU is the nation's first land-grant university to offer a bachelor's degree and minor in precision agriculture. SDSU's precision agriculture degree will provide students with access to cutting-edge developments in the rapidly evolving intersection of agronomics, high-speed sensor technology, data management and advanced machinery development. Students will be prepared for lifelong careers that support economically and environmentally sustainable agriculture.

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Growing the next generation of ag leaders through support of 4-H

The CHS Foundation joined the National 4-H Council as a \$100,000 sponsor of the 2019 National Youth Summit on Agri-Science. Each year, the summit attracts hundreds of high school students eager to develop their skills and knowledge as they address challenges for agriculture. CHS Foundation support provided scholarships for youth to attend the four-day summit. The students are immersed in sessions focused on agriculture, food security and sustainability.

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CHS Foundation supports Lake Area Technical Institute

The CHS Foundation supported precision agriculture for Lake Area Technical Institute students with a \$50,000 contribution to the LATI Precision Ag Simulator lab. CHS Foundation support helped purchase eight student workstations to give students hands-on experience with operating and diagnosing sprayers and other precision agriculture equipment.

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Closer connections build the future of ag

There's a new way for CHS employees to invest their time and partner with the CHS Foundation to strengthen relationships with FFA and collegiate partners.

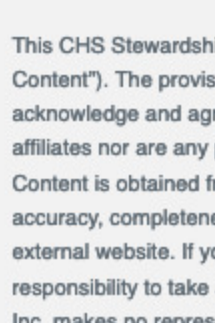
Read on to learn how a group of employees from across the country are sharing their industry expertise with students.

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2020 GOAL PROGRESS

1,500

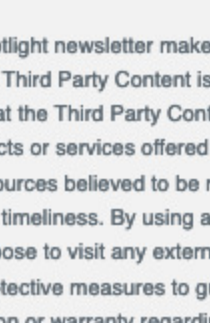
ag teachers prepared to inspire the next generation



2020 Goal: 3,000

2,500

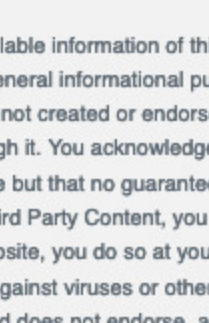
ag students benefitted from scholarships and university support



2020 Goal: 6,000

25,000

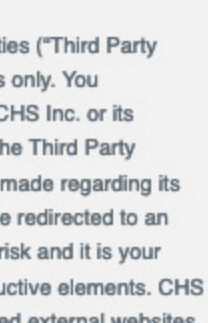
students were prepared for ag careers



2020 Goal: 55,000

4,500

future ag leaders learned about the co-op business model



2020 Goal: 10,500