



OAKLAND COUNTY
FARM BUREAU®

2025-2026 IMPACT REPORT

What We Do

Oakland County Farm Bureau, as an arm of Michigan Farm Bureau, works to enhance the image of agriculture through education and promotion, while maintaining the rights of farmers.

Who We Are

Oakland County Farm Bureau members are volunteers who have a passion for agriculture. We are farmers, landowners, veterinarians, ag educators, ag industry professionals, and more!

Our local programming is directed by our volunteer board of directors:

- **President:** Glen Mitchell
- **Vice-President:** Gordon McKay
- **Third Member:** Delaney Hamburg
- William Long
- Alan Jaros
- Sara Ressler
- Lc Scramlin
- Candy Mitchell
- Catherine Genovese
- Elijah Wackler – *Young Farmer Representative*
- Jessica Lynn– *Promotion & Education Representative*
- Renee Roos– *Promotion & Education Representative*
- Alexandra Dahl – *Young Farmer Representative*

Board members are elected each year at our county annual meeting in September. Contact our county office to learn more about serving on our board.

Membership by the Numbers

We represent **532** farming families.

77 Young Farmer (18–35-year-old) members belong to the organization.

Priorities

- **Engaging with our members** through membership events such as Plow Day, Oakland County Fair Day, County Annual Meeting, Michigan State Fair, and Young Farmer outings.
- **Supporting leadership development** through sending members to the Voice of Agriculture Conference, Young Farmer Leaders Conference, American Farm Bureau Federation Annual Meeting, and providing collegiate scholarships.
- **Advocating on behalf of agriculture** with legislators through the Lansing Legislative Seminar.

Reasons to Connect

- **Partner on an event or collaborative project** that directly benefits farmers and supports the local agricultural community.
- **Discuss a local issue** currently impacting agriculture or farmers.
- **Express interest in attending** a local board meeting and/or upcoming events.

Our Impact



\$28,000

Dollars provided to sponsor local organizations or community events.



\$1,550

Dollars donated to local hunger relief efforts.



\$5,000

Dollars provided in scholarships to local students.



106

Number of membership families that have participated in events/programs

Quote from Partner

*"The Clarkston Family Farm began in 2018 with Chelsea O'Brien's vision to create an interactive outdoor classroom—an ambitious idea that few believed was possible. The Oakland County Farm Bureau was one of the early partners who not only believed in that vision, but invested in it through time, funding, training, and educational resources. What started with just over 500 students has grown into a thriving educational farm serving more than 37,000 people each year, connecting learners of all ages to agriculture and the natural world. The Clarkston Family Farm simply would not exist today without the stalwart support and true partnership and investment from our friends at Farm Bureau. We will forever be in their debt." - **Chelsea Anne O'Brien, Founder and Executive Director, Clarkston Family Farm***

Recognition of Support

We would like to recognize and extend our sincere gratitude to member **Blair Bowman** for his longstanding support of the **Michigan State Fair, LLC**. Through his dedication and commitment, he has played an important role in advancing youth development and strengthening our agricultural community. His continued involvement and passion have made a meaningful and lasting impact, and we are truly thankful for his contributions.

Become a Member

Interested in being a Farm Bureau member? Contact the Oakland County Farm Bureau office to learn more about the benefits of membership.

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