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Dear members of our community,

The James W. Brabeck Youth Legacy Fund “Buyers’ Coalition” is pleased to announce our continued support for 4H and FFA livestock exhibitors at the 2022 Santa Barbara County and California Mid-State Fair. The goal of this group is to serve as a tangible opportunity for our community to support our youth and also to give back to the community. After last year's fair cancellation and a full year of pandemic restrictions, it is essential we continue our immense community wide support for our youth and families in need. This group’s focus is to assist exhibitors by purchasing projects and also assist local families in need by putting this student-raised protein right back into our food supply.

In 2020, faced with Covid-19, cancellation of the CMSF, and the withdrawal of a major donor, the Buyer’s Coalition raised over \$200,000 to purchase 4H and FFA livestock projects in less than 60 days. From this, over 48,000 pounds of protein was donated to the San Luis Obispo County Food Bank. It was truly amazing to see such positive results from our incredible community.

However, the need *STILL EXISTS!* This year, our goal is to replenish this protein supply which is vital to the health of families in our community. The buyer’s coalition is seeking your financial support in strengthening this fund which serves two direct purposes:

1. Purchase livestock projects from 4H and FFA members to provide economic assistance and a positive end to their fair experience.
2. Donate the meat to local charities to support families in need. Below, you will find the link to make a tax-deductible charitable donation.

The James W. Brabeck Youth Legacy Fund (JWBYLF) is a fund of The Community Foundation San Luis Obispo County. The link below will take you to the general donor page for JWBYLF. **Please indicate in the “#4 Comment” section that this donation is for “Youth Livestock Projects.”** Our aim is to reach at least \$200,000. We are asking that all funds be received by Monday July 18th in order to prepare for the livestock auction taking place Saturday July 30th. Information about donations and other ways to help will also be shared on the JWBYLF Facebook and Instagram accounts. Thank you for your support of our youth in agriculture. Feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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