



SALINAS VALLEY FAIR HERITAGE FOUNDATION

Dear Students & Advisors,

The Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation would like to invite all active high school aged 4-H and FFA participants to apply for this year's Heritage Foundation Scholarship and the chance to raise the 2025 Heritage Animal. Along with raising the Heritage Animal, the scholarship winner will receive a \$2,500 scholarship (see requirements below) and several other rewards. We are also offering a \$500 scholarship to the Reserve Winner.

Over the past twenty-two years, the sale of the Heritage Animal has contributed more than \$2,000,000 to the Heritage Foundation. Since the beautiful barns have been built, and the revitalization of the Orradre Building and The Nate Holaday Expo Building have been completed, the Heritage Foundation continues to work on various fair improvement projects. Please consider applying to be a part of the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation history.

Basic Student Requirements (see page 2 for complete list of requirements)

- Must be a Monterey County resident &/or be a Monterey County high school student, who will be attending an accredited trade school, junior college, or university.
- Must be willing to raise an animal for sale, with all proceeds benefiting the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation.
- Submit the scholarship application and three letters of recommendation by November 4, 2024, and attend an in-person interview with the scholarship committee on a date to be determined.
- Act as an ambassador for the SVFHF through the 2025 Salinas Valley Fair.

Scholarship Winner Receives

- \$2,500 scholarship (must provide proof of enrollment at an accredited trade school, junior college, or university prior to receiving scholarship dollars).
- Recognition rewards – A custom made belt buckle and a SVFHF apparel coupon.
- Reimbursement for expenses related to raising the 2025 Heritage Animal, including animal purchase, feed, and basic equipment (with prior approval).
- Heritage membership for the current year– Includes the scholarship recipient, parent(s), and siblings under 21 years of age.
- Recognition in press materials and the 2025 SVF Auction Program.

Reserve Scholarship Winner Receives

- \$500 scholarship (must provide proof of enrollment in an accredited trade school, junior college, or university prior to receiving the scholarship dollars).
- Recognition reward – SVFHF apparel coupon.
- Heritage membership for the current year – Includes the scholarship recipient, parent(s), and siblings under 21 years of age.
- Recognition in press materials and the 2025 Auction Program.



Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation Scholarship Winner Requirements

1. Comply with all rules and deadlines of the Salinas Valley Fair per the Entry Guidebook.
2. Act as an ambassador for the SVFHF. This includes attending various functions such as the Polenta and Stew Feed in December, the Fair Kickoff in April, and the SVFHF Member Appreciation Night held Wednesday of the Fair. This also includes promoting the purchase of Buyer Gift Cards and encouraging possible future scholarship applicants when attending club meetings or speaking with classmates and peers.
3. Attend at least one SVFHF Board Meeting prior to the Salinas Valley Fair to give a 3-5 min. presentation of your project progress. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month.
4. Create a presentation board or Power Point about yourself, your animal, and your achievements to be displayed in the Heritage Room during the Fair.
5. Work closely with SVFHF Treasurer and provide receipts to be reimbursed for animal project expenses in a timely manner. Reimbursements are limited to expenses exclusively related to your Heritage Animal Project for the Salinas Valley Fair 2024.
 - a. Maximum limit on animal purchase reimbursement:
 - i. Hogs, lambs, and goats: \$750
 - ii. Steers: \$2500
6. Must purchase livestock insurance (cost will be reimbursed). Should you have to use this insurance, the amount you receive will be deducted from the \$2,500 scholarship.
7. Write Thank You letters to all Heritage Animal Buyers by July 10, 2025.
8. Should the Heritage Scholarship Winner's animal not be able to be sold at auction, the Reserve Winner's animal will be used. In that case, the Reserve Winner will receive equal rewards as presented to the Scholarship Winner.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE at salinasvalleyfair.com under the SVFHF tab OR can be requested from moharris1@icloud.com.

Copies have also been sent to Monterey County 4-H and FFA advisors via email.

SUBMIT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AND THREE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION VIA EMAIL TO moharris1@icloud.com

Or MAIL TO:

SALINAS VALLEY FAIR HERITAGE FOUNDATION
ATTN: MAUREEN HARRIS
PO BOX 942
KING CITY, CA 93930

ALL MATERIALS MUST BE EMAILED OR POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN November 4, 2024. INTERVIEWS WILL BE HELD Mid November (Time and place TBD).

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS!

MAUREEN HARRIS
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Livestock Scholarship Application

Name: _____ 4H/FFA Club: _____

Address: _____

Contact/Cell Phone: _____ Current GPA: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Year in High School: _____

Please list three references, one personal and two academic or professional references:

Name	Relationship	Phone Number	E-Mail Address

List any offices you currently hold or have held within your club and dates the offices have been held, beginning with current offices first:

Position	Dates Held

What is the most important office you've held and why is it important to you?

List your school and community involvement, both past and current (starting with most current):



List all 4-H and, or FFA projects you have actively participated in, starting with most current:

Project	Dates Participated

Why Should You Be Chosen to Raise the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation Scholarship Animal?

What is the mission of the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation and what does the mission statement mean to you?
