

# 2022 CHS Stewardship Report



# Progress on 2023 impact goals

In 2022, CHS Stewardship invested more than \$6 million and made significant progress on the impact we plan to achieve by the end of 2023.

With one year left in our three-year plan, we've already had a lasting impact on the communities and leaders at the heart of agriculture and rural America.

## CHS Community Giving



**307**  
rural communities  
received matching grants

**2023 goal: 250**



**23,430**  
youth learned lifesaving  
safety and health lessons

**2023 goal: 30,000**



**19%**  
increase in employee  
volunteerism

**2023 goal: 20% increase**

## CHS Foundation



**14,394**  
students educated  
about co-ops

**2023 goal: 12,000**



**21,968**  
students enlightened  
about ag careers

**2023 goal: 25,000**



**103,085**  
future ag leaders  
supported

**2023 goal: 125,000**



# CHS Foundation



2022 was a monumental year for the CHS Foundation as we celebrated 75 years of investing in projects that develop ag leaders for life. Since 1947, the CHS Foundation has connected with partners to grow our support of students and ag leadership programs so they can thrive in the future.



## Fostering growth for 75 years



**\$84 million**  
awarded



**5,500+ scholarships**  
for students studying ag



**Nearly \$15 million**  
invested in 4-H and FFA leadership  
development programs

## Putting teachers first

Recognizing how crucial ag teachers are to the future of this industry, the CHS Foundation continued our support of teachers, which began in 1985. As part of our 75th anniversary celebration, the CHS Foundation awarded \$75,000 to 15 teachers for ag projects that will engage students in topics ranging from biotechnology to food processing. The CHS Foundation also hosted National Teach Ag Day and continued our strong relationships with National Teach Ag Campaign and National Ag in the Classroom.

*“When you work with hundreds of teachers, your reach is rapidly growing because they are influencing thousands of students.”*

*Andy Guffey  
Executive director, National Ag in the Classroom*





## Empowering youth

Thousands of students will be impacted by a \$1 million investment in the 4-H True Leaders in Equity and What I Wish People Knew programs. The initiatives empower youth to share their stories and their passion for diversity, equity and inclusion by identifying issues and implementing solutions in their communities.

*“We want people to know 4-H is for everyone. With our community action plan, we not only want to impact 4-H now but also make a change for the future.”*

*4-H member*



## Connecting to co-op education

For more than 60 years, cooperative education has been a key focus for the CHS Foundation, which supported more than 20 cooperative education programs in 2022. Cooperative Minds, a virtual learning experience and free curriculum created in partnership with Discovery Education, reached more than 140,000 students. Through this support, teachers and students have access to new career profiles featuring cooperative employees in supply chain, grain trading, animal nutrition, information technology and maintenance roles.

# \$784K

awarded to 22 co-op  
education programs

## Funding university programs for ag career prep

At universities around the country, students and educators are uncovering new technologies, practices and opportunities that will impact the future state of the agriculture industry. To help drive the ag industry forward, the CHS Foundation supported food science and ag mechanics and engineering projects at nine colleges and universities.

# \$1.4M

invested in university  
projects in 2022

# 5,000

college students  
educated



# Community Giving



In fiscal year 2022, CHS Community Giving focused on creating stronger connections between employees, owners and the rural communities they call home. Our investments empowered employees to give back through volunteering and giving campaigns, matched cooperative contributions for community projects and gave students, producers and rural residents access to ag safety and health resources.



## Spirit of Service Days

Building on a strong culture of service, the Community Giving team rallied 600 employees together over two weeks. During CHS Spirit of Service Days, employees volunteered more than 1,200 hours serving more than 30 communities across the CHS footprint. One of those volunteers was Forest Evanson, a CHS software developer, who worked with a team of employees to shovel gravel and level the surface area for a new chicken coop at Dodge Nature Center's Shepard Farm in Cottage Grove, Minn.

*"I enjoyed participating in the service day in a community close to our campus. It's great to be able to build opportunities for agricultural experiences for future generations."*

*Forest Evanson  
Software developer, CHS*

## CHS Giving Campaign

The enhanced CHS Giving Campaign allowed employees to give to a charity of their choice with a dollar-for-dollar match from CHS. Together, 740 employees contributed more than \$1 million, benefiting 570 nonprofit organizations.

## Cooperative matching grants

CHS Seeds for Stewardship grants match cooperative contributions up to \$10,000.



**86**  
matching grants  
awarded in 18 states  
in our trade territory



**\$360,000**  
to support ag safety, local  
ag leadership and other  
rural community initiatives





**We invite you to learn more about the impact and value of our stewardship work.**

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