

What Youth Efforts Against Hunger (Y.E.A.H.) Is...

Y.E.A.H. is a non-profit program operating through the Friends of the Fair (F.O.F.). The purpose of the committee is to provide support to youth raising livestock as an educational project and to support and inspire youth community activism in support of the Clark County Food Bank.

MOTO: *“Education through Community Service”*

MISSION: To assist the Clark County Food Bank in alleviating hunger by providing high quality food to Clark County individuals and families in need.

OBJECTIVE: To acquire enough resources to purchase all buy back animals at the JLA auction. Any surplus resources will be used to sponsor off season projects to benefit the Clark County Food Bank, such as winter animal projects, food drives, etc. All proceeds and purchased livestock go to benefit the Clark County Food Bank.

GOAL: To educate youth in leadership, agricultural and civic responsibility while assisting the Clark County Food Bank in alleviating hunger by providing high quality food to hungry Clark County individuals and families

Program Summary:

- a.) Conducts year around activities that support our local community
- b.) Teaches youth leadership, community activism, and supports agricultural education
- c.) Supports local youth participating in 4-H and FFA animal projects
- d.) Youth in 4-H and FFA programs support Y.E.A.H! through 1) fundraisers, 2) food drives, 3) raising and donating meat products
- e.) Y.E.A.H. provides individuals and companies with opportunities to support our local community youth and help feed Clark County residents who are in need through 1) monetary donations 2) food donations 3) event sponsorship
- f.) We are currently in the developmental stages of a pilot partnership program through a Washington State University grant to support agricultural education to disadvantaged city youth

2015 Accomplishments:

- a) Y.E.A.H. donated over 12,300 pounds of local meat products raised by youth to the Clark County Food Bank
- b) Provide leadership development for 10 Youth as members of our Youth Council; Y.E.A.H. provided letters of recommendation for two youth for scholarship opportunities
- c) Y.E.A.H. supported agricultural education and provided opportunities for civic responsibility for over 150 youth
- d) Three Youth received Youth Of the Year Awards that demonstrated Civic Responsibility
- e) The youth raised over \$3000 in cash and in kind donations from their 1st annual Bowl-a-Thon to support Y.E.A.H. mission
- f) Meat donations to the Clark County Food Bank valued over \$32,000