



ATTENTION: CURRENT SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS, AND SENIORS!

**San Benito County Heritage Foundation Presents:
\$1,500 LIVESTOCK ANIMAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FLYER**



BECOME A PART OF THE HERITAGE OF SAN BENITO COUNTY!

The San Benito County Heritage Foundation is looking for a qualified energetic spokesperson to raise our 2025 Heritage Livestock Animal. All monies raised from the sale are invested in Bolado Park. The Heritage Foundation pays for the animal and all related expenses. The winning applicant becomes the only finalist for a \$1,500 college scholarship and receives a commemorative buckle. The scholarship is awarded during their senior year of high school, subject to applicant completing the following:

- Must be responsible for the care of the Heritage Animal
- Required to attend and speak at various community events, 4-H club meetings and FFA Chapter meetings to promote the Heritage Foundation and the use of Buyer Certificates
- Comply with and adhere to the Heritage Livestock Animal Agreement and Scholarship Guidelines

Application deadline: **April 18, 2025**
Interview process: **April 21-30, 2025**
Scholarship winner notification by: **May 2, 2025**

For more information please contact:

Grace Erickson (gracetobias28@gmail.com)
Heritage Committee Chairperson
P. O. Box 1141, Tres Pinos, Ca 95075
(831)821-0046
Email your contact information and we will send you the appropriate forms.

For more information about San Benito County Heritage Foundation go to our website at:

<http://sbheritagefoundation.com/>

Or check us out on Facebook at:

[Facebook.com/sbheritagefoundation](https://www.facebook.com/sbheritagefoundation)



SBC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Birth date: _____ Grade: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

Email address: _____

Address where animal will be kept (if different than above):

I am exhibiting at the _____ (Year) San Benito County Fair with the following organization:

4-H- Club: _____

FFA - Chapter: _____

Have you ever exhibited at the San Benito County Fair before? _____

If so, how many times have you participated? _____

List the type(s) of livestock you have shown at previous Fairs:

Please list your activities, memberships and honors or awards in any organizations outside of 4-H or FFA (e.g., school, livestock / agricultural organizations, etc.)

Attach an essay (200-500 words) explaining why you deserve to raise the San Benito County Heritage Livestock Animal. Please explain the size and scope of your projects (past, present and future), the knowledge and skills gained from your projects and your 4-H and or FFA involvement including your leadership and community service experience. Please attach your story to your application.



San Benito County Heritage Livestock Animal AGREEMENT

Recipient Terms and Conditions

As Recipient of the San Benito County Heritage Scholarship Award, I agree to the following Terms and Conditions:

1. Represent the Heritage Foundation and is be responsible for the care of the Heritage Livestock Animal.
2. Must be a least a Junior or Senior in high school (during 2025 Fair) with a minimum 3.0 GPA and reside within San Benito County to apply.
3. Have the animal in my possession 60 days prior to the show.
4. Be eligible to exhibit in the Livestock Project at the San Benito County Fair.
5. Feed and fit my animal to the best of my ability.
6. Follow a feeding and fitting program recommended or approved by my 4-H leader or FFA advisor.
7. Provide transportation for the animal from the selected breeder to my location.
8. Transport the animal from my location to the San Benito County fairgrounds for the mandatory weigh-in.
9. Exhibit this animal at the San Benito County Fair at the conclusion of the San Benito County Livestock Auction.
10. **Not** exhibit the Heritage Livestock Animal in any fair competition during the San Benito County Fair or any other county fair as the Heritage Animal is a “non-compete” animal.
11. Write thank you notes as needed
12. Communicate with the Heritage Foundation Scholarship Committee Chairperson at least weekly on how the animal is progressing and any problems or concerns you might have. The Heritage Hog Committee Chairperson is currently:
Grace Erickson
Gracetobias28@gmail.com
(831)821-0046
13. Attend at least two San Benito County Heritage Foundation events and be a spokesperson to promote the San Benito County Heritage Foundation.
14. Attend at least five 4-H club (including your club) or FFA Chapter meetings to promote the use of Buyers Certificates or other forms of donations used at that time in place of buyer gifts.
15. Attend at least one additional club or organization to talk about the Heritage Livestock Animal.

**San Benito County Heritage Scholarship
AGREEMENT**

Acknowledgements:

I understand that if I do not meet the terms and conditions outlined above or do not exhibit this animal at the San Benito County Fair, I will return all money for the value of the animal and feed given to me.

Signature of **Applicant**

Date

I hereby agree to permit my son or daughter to make application for a San Benito County Heritage Scholarship Award. If he or she is selected as a winner, I will offer reasonable help and encouragement to see this project through to a successful conclusion.

Signature of **Parent or Guardian**

Date

I consider this applicant a most worthy 4-H Club or FFA Chapter individual to represent the San Benito County Heritage Foundation as a recipient of the San Benito Heritage Scholarship award.

Signature of **4-H Leader or FFA Advisor**

Date



LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

4-H Leader or FFA Advisor San Benito County Heritage Scholarship

This letter of recommendation must be returned by the applicant with his/her application packet. This letter of recommendation must be in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal and the applicant's name printed on the front of the envelope.

Applicant's Name: _____

How long has the applicant been involved in 4-H or FFA in your area? _____

Do you consider the applicant to be capable and qualified to raise a livestock project animal for the San Benito County Fair?

_____ yes _____ no

Do you feel the applicant will fulfill his/her obligation to maintain monthly communication with the award sponsors?

_____ yes _____ no

Do you feel the applicant has public speaking skills so that he/she can publicly represent the Heritage Foundation?

___yes ___ no

If the applicant is selected, will his/her project be under your supervision?

___yes ___ no

If not, please list supervisor/advisor: _____

Briefly explain why you recommend this individual and specify the qualifications that you feel make him/her a good candidate. (Please attach sheet if more space is required)

Signature

Date

Name (Print)

Title

Contact Info: work phone _____ evening phone _____



LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Personal (Non-Family Member) San Benito County Heritage Scholarship

This letter of recommendation must be returned by the applicant with his/her application packet. This letter of recommendation must be in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal and the applicant's name printed on the front of the envelope.

Applicant's Name: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Do you consider the applicant to be capable and qualified to raise a livestock project animal for the San Benito County Fair?

_____ yes _____ no

Do you feel the applicant will fulfill his/her obligation to maintain monthly communication with the award sponsors?

_____ yes _____ no

Do you feel the applicant has public speaking skills so that he/she can publicly represent the Heritage Foundation?

____yes ____ no

Briefly explain why you recommend this individual and specify the qualifications that you feel make him/her a good candidate. (Please attach sheet if more space is required)

Signature

Date

Name (Print)

Relationship

Contact Info: work phone _____ evening phone _____



SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Heritage Animal Scholarship Recipient automatically becomes the only Scholarship Applicant.

The Applicant must be at least a Junior or Senior (at Fair) and becomes eligible as a Senior in high school and must show proof of residency in San Benito County.

The Applicant must provide evidence that he or she currently maintains a minimum 3.0 GPA while in high school. A copy of the high school transcript is required.

The Applicant must show proof of enrollment in a two or four-year College, University, or Technical School at the end of their senior year of high school. If they are not accepted or choose not to attend an institution of higher learning the scholarship award will be rescinded and becomes the property of the San Benito County Heritage Foundation.

A review of adherence to the Heritage Animal Scholarship requirements will be conducted by a Scholarship Committee of not less than three Board Members.

The Scholarship Committee or its assignees shall at its option conduct an interview with the Scholarship Applicant.

If through no fault of their own the Scholarship Applicant (due to medical, emotional, family, or financial circumstances) is unable to attend college after their senior year, the scholarship funds will be held for a maximum of one additional year. At the end of the second year if the Scholarship Applicant is not accepted to an institution as required, the funds will be rescinded and becomes the property of the Heritage Foundation.

The scholarship will be paid in two installments over a one-year period with half of the amount paid at proof of enrollment to the institution and the second half at the beginning of the next grading period during that year.

Recipient must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA to receive additional pro rata payments from the scholarship funds awarded. If the GPA falls below 2.5 the remaining amount of the scholarship is rescinded.

If any dispute arises between the scholarship recipient and the scholarship committee regarding and aspect of the scholarship, all parties agree to bring the dispute to the Heritage Foundation Board for discussion, a review, and a vote. A simple majority vote of the Board present on the issue will be final.

A copy of these guidelines and responsibilities will be provided to each applicant for the Heritage Hog Scholarship by the Selection Committee or its designee.



JUDGING CRITERIA

San Benito County Heritage Scholarship

APPLICATION

Essay

- Size and scope
- 4-H/FFA involvement
- Maintains interest
 - creative
 - grammatically correct

Outside Presentation

(list of involvements)

Letters of Recommendation

Interview Process

Neatness of Application

COMPLETION

Completed forms to return: Application, Agreement, Letter of Recommendation (4-H Leader or FFA Advisor), Letter of Recommendation (Non-family member), Essay

Questions: Grace Erickson (Scholarship Committee) (831)821-0046 or gracetobias28@gmail.com

Mail in: SBC Heritage Foundation, Attn: Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 1141, Tres Pinos, CA 95075

Or.....

Drop off: McAbee Trucking Company, 71 McCloskey Road, Hollister, CA 95023