

American Farm Bureau Federation®

# WE ARE FARM BUREAU

## **OUR MISSION**

AFBF is the unified national voice of agriculture, working through our grassroots organizations to enhance and strengthen the lives of rural Americans and to build strong, prosperous agricultural communities.

## PURPOSE OF FARM BUREAU

Farm Bureau is an independent, non-governmental, voluntary organization governed by and representing farm and ranch families united for the purpose of analyzing their problems and formulating action to achieve educational improvement, economic opportunity and social advancement and, thereby, to promote the national well-being. Farm Bureau is local, county, state, national and international in its scope and influence and is non-partisan, non-sectarian and non-secret in character. Farm Bureau is the voice of agricultural producers at all levels.

In 1919, a small group of farmers from 30 states gathered in Chicago and founded the American Farm Bureau Federation. Their goal – speaking for themselves through their own national organization. Farm Bureau soon became the voice of agriculture at the national level.

"The purpose of Farm Bureau is to make the business of farming more profitable, and the community a better place to live. Farm Bureau should provide an organization in which members may secure the benefits of unified efforts in a way which could never be accomplished through individual effort." – Statement originally approved by Farm Bureau members in 1920.

While issues and challenges have changed for America's farmers and ranchers over the past eight decades, the mission and goals of Farm Bureau have remained true to that spirit. Farm Bureau members have become more vocal in speaking out on issues of concern for the nation's farmers and ranchers.

The **We Are Farm Bureau** brochure provides a concise overview of the Farm Bureau organization and structure. From the organization's grassroots base to descriptions of the American Farm Bureau Federation structure, the booklet serves as a comprehensive guide to Farm Bureau. The attractive full color, design makes it a top-notch membership recruiting tool as well as a guide for new leaders and volunteers.



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### **INTERNSHIPS**

The American Farm Bureau Federation offers several paid internships each summer in its Washington, D.C. office. The actual dates of summer internships are between mid-May and the end of August. Follow this link to learn more.

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