

February 2026

Dear 4-H Families and Volunteers:

The Vanderburgh County Livestock Committee, a subcommittee of the Vanderburgh County 4-H Council, is reaching out to you with a request for support. Our dedicated 4-H members work tirelessly year-round, raising livestock to showcase at the Vanderburgh County Fair, an event that not only celebrates their hard work but also teaches them valuable life skills like responsibility, discipline, and the science of caring for animals.

To ensure our members and their animals have a safe and functional environment, we need to replace our current livestock pens for Dairy/Pygmy Goats and Swine. These new pens are essential for providing a secure and humane space for the animals and will allow our young members to continue their projects for years to come. We have reached out to local businesses and have secured enough funds to purchase pens for Dairy/Pygmy Goats. Our goal now is to purchase swine pens in 2026.

Your donation, no matter the size, will have a significant impact on our 4-H community. We're seeking to raise \$103,000 to cover the cost of the new pens. Your contribution would directly support the next generation of agricultural leaders, helping them to succeed in their projects and fostering a sense of pride in their accomplishments. Any funds raised beyond our goal will be used to support future 4-H Livestock improvements in Vanderburgh County.

### **Sponsorship Levels:**

- **Sweepstakes Sponsor (\$5000+):** Your business or family name will be engraved on a pen's nameplate for every **\$1,000** donated. Your business name or family name will be prominently displayed on a large banner with the other Sweepstakes Sponsors in the Show Barn during the Vanderburgh County Fair for three years.
- **Grand Champion Sponsor (\$2500-\$4999):** Your business or family name will be engraved on a pen's nameplate for every **\$1,000** donated. Your business name or family name will be prominently displayed on a large banner with the other Grand Champion Sponsors in the Show Barn during the Vanderburgh County Fair for three years.
- **Reserve Grand Champion Sponsor (\$1000-\$2499):** Your business or family name will be engraved on a pen's nameplate for every **\$1,000** donated. Your business name or family name will be prominently displayed on a large banner with the Reserve Grand Champion Sponsors in the Show Barn during the Vanderburgh County Fair for three years.
- **Honorable Mention Sponsor (\$300-\$999)** Your business name or family name will be prominently displayed on a large banner with the other Honorable Mention Sponsors in the Show Barn at the Vanderburgh County Fair for three years.
- **Blue Ribbon Sponsor (up to \$299):** Your business name or family name will be prominently displayed on a large banner with other Blue Ribbon Sponsors in the Show Barn at the Vanderburgh County Fair for three years. Every dollar counts, and any amount you can give will be deeply appreciated. Your support helps us continue the tradition of 4-H, empowering our youth and strengthening our community.

Thank you for your time and for considering our request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 812-867-4935 or email at mkron@purdue.edu.

Sincerely,



Megan Hoffherr  
4-H Youth Development Extension Educator

**We welcome your donation to our 4-H Livestock Pen Fundraiser/Improvements.  
Please complete the following:**

Name of Business/Family or Individual: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Donation: \_\_\_\_\_

Your business or family name will be engraved on a pen's nameplate for every **\$1,000** donated. Please indicate how you want the nameplate engraved:

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Business or Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(If your donation requires more than one name plate, please indicate how each is to be engraved. For example, if you donate \$3000, all three can be the same, or each one can be different.)

Please include your contact information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to the **Vanderburgh County 4-H Livestock Auction Account. Please note in memo 4-H Livestock Pen Fundraiser/Improvements.**

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