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Cass County: Keira Olson, Elizabeth
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SOFA Opportunities

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Sharing Your Story:

*Through Social Media
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Meet... New People

Make ... New Friends

Share... Our stories

What is SOFA?

In 1994 a group of youth and adults from Adair, Cass and Audubon counties met to find a way address the problem that area youth were not aware of career opportunities in agriculture outside of farming. From that meeting, SOFA (Speak Out For Agriculture) was born.

During the first four years SOFA consisted of a communications skill development day and a career day field trip. SOFA went "on the road" in 1999 becoming a jam packed 2 day career adventure trip. The trip consists of ag related tours, workshops at community colleges and universities and a community service component.

A planning committee of teens with guidance from Extension staff design, organize, and lead the program, including the annual trip. Throughout the year planning committee members seek donations and help volunteer in the community.

Donor Levels:

Platinum: \$500 and above
Gold: \$100 - \$499
Silver: \$50 - \$99
Bronze: \$49 and under

All donors will be listed on the SOFA t-shirt and recognized in the 4-H newsletter and other related news articles.

Funds raised by the planning committee members are used to offset the cost of the trip. Participants pay a registration fee of just \$50 that covers about 1/4 actual cost of the trip.

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2022 SOFA (Speak Out For Agriculture) Donation: \$ _____

Please list business, organization or family name as you would like it to appear on the t-shirt and promotional materials.

Contact person: _____

Mailing address: _____

Please return with your SOFA donation to the Cass County Extension office, 805 W 10th Street, Atlantic, IA 50022, by April 1 to ensure recognition. Checks can be made payable to the Cass County Extension Office. Thank you for your support to our youth!