



Siskiyou County Cattlemen and Cattlewomen HEIFER APPLICATION DUE NOVEMBER 8, 2019

Project Description

The Siskiyou County Cattlemen and Cattlewomen are both generously willing to purchase and donate a heifer to a 4-H or FFA member to be exhibited at the 2020 Siskiyou Golden Fair or 2020 Tulelake Butte Valley Fair. The heifers will be purchased from local cattle producers. Livestock projects can be financially challenging especially start up purchase of an animal. The purpose of the heifer project is to provide an opportunity to 4-H and FFA members interested in showing a heifer that may not otherwise have an opportunity by means of being relieved of the initial purchase cost. Application information and project responsibilities are below.

WHO CAN APPLY?

• This application is open to all Siskiyou County 4-H or FFA member that are 9 years old or older. Applicants must be eligible to show at the Siskiyou Golden Fair or Tulelake Butte Valley Fair.

PROGRAM SUPPORT

This project will be supported by Nicole Stevens (Siskiyou County Cattlewomen) in the form of

- Coordinate visits to look at and pick up the heifers from the participating producer.
- Deliver the heifers to the recipients, if needed.
- Coordinate project visits with the recipients to check in on heifer's progress.
- Be available to the recipients for any questions or concerns.

BINDING FACTORS OF THE PROJECT

- The heifers need to be properly cared for and fed adequately according to their nutritional needs which are higher demanding during gestation.
- The heifers will need to be halter broke, exhibited and sold at your local Siskiyou County Fair in 2020 as a bred heifer.
- The recipients are responsible for getting the heifers bred as part of the project.
- Throughout the duration of the project recipients will need to schedule regular project visits with Nicole Stevens.





• The recipients are expected to give a presentation to the local Cattlemen and Cattlewomen focusing on knowledge gained from the project, a cost summary and time commitment overview. The presentation will be following the 2020 fair.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications will be evaluated by members of the Siskiyou County Cattlemen and Cattlewomen. After the two heifer recipients are chosen, Nicole Stevens will notify the recipients. At that time she will coordinate a time to visit with the breeder and to pick up the heifers.

Applications can be emailed to Nicole Stevens at <u>nostevens@ucanr.edu</u> or mailed to Nicole Stevens at 1655 S. Main St. Yreka, CA 96097 or dropped off in person at the 4H office same address.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Please include the following information (it may be typed or hand written):

- **1.** NAME:
- 2. AGE:
- 3. 4-H/FFA CLUB:
- **4.** Preferred contact info to be informed if you are the recipient.
- 5. Have you raised an animal for a fair before? If so, what species?
- **6.** Do you have a safe facility close to you with adequate water to keep the heifer, halter break her safely and feed her twice a day? (Please provide a brief description)
- **7.** Please include a basic budget outlining your financial plans for successfully raising this heifer.

For the following questions, please answer each completely with the most information that you can (expand your response to a minimum of three sentences).

- 8. What would you hope to learn from this project?
- 9. Why do you think you should receive this heifer?
- 10. What do you think will be the most challenging part of raising a heifer?

Contact Nicole Stevens at 530-842-2711, <u>nostevens@ucanr.edu</u> with any questions regarding this application.