

# Barbara J. Green Scholarship Fund

2024-25



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**Thank you,** Community Foundation for Western Iowa Board of Directors, for your investment in the lives of students at Iowa State University. The Barbara J. Green Scholarship has made a significant impact by providing support and value to students from Western Iowa who choose to pursue careers in the agricultural industry. Your contributions have empowered these students to take advantage of life-changing opportunities that will aid these young agriculturalists' personal and professional growth.



Since it was first established in 2020,  
the Barbara J. Green Scholarship  
has been awarded to

**101 STUDENTS**

totaling

**\$316,500**

in support.



## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

November 2024

### GIFTS RECEIVED

Date	Amount
January 2024	\$160,000.00
September 2022	\$60,000.00
January 2022	\$60,000.00
June 2021	\$4,000.00
December 2020	\$60,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$344,000.00</b>

### 2024-25 AWARDS

Beginning account balance 07/01/24	\$177,500.00
Scholarships awarded	\$84,000.00
Internship scholarships	\$30,000.00
Veterinary Medicine scholarships	\$30,000.00
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences	
Completion and Emergency Grants Fund	\$10,000.00
<b>Total awarded as of 10/01/24</b>	<b>\$154,000.00</b>
Remaining balance for additional awards	\$23,500.00



## Barbara J. Green Scholarship Fund

For the 2024-25 academic year, 42 students received a total of \$84,000 in financial support from the Barbara J. Green Scholarship Fund. The recipients are featured in this report.

### ANN BARRETT

**Hometown:** Malvern, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Junior



"By awarding me the Barbara J. Green Scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden, which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school: learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me."

### MALLORY BEHNKEN

**Hometown:** Massena, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Junior



"This scholarship will help me fulfill my dreams of graduating from Iowa State and potentially furthering my education at the Iowa State College of Veterinary Medicine."

### MATTHEW BRINKMAN

**Hometown:** Audubon, Iowa  
**Majors:** Animal Science and Agronomy  
**Year:** Senior



"I am so grateful to have been chosen as this year's recipient of the Barbara J. Green Scholarship. This award will help me continue to pay my college tuition and earn my degrees. My education is very important to me for several reasons, one is an education is something that nobody can take away from me. While earning my education away from home, it allows me to broaden my network of individuals to converse with who will also be the next leaders in agriculture."

### KARSTEN BRUNS

**Hometown:** Logan, Iowa  
**Majors:** Accounting and Agricultural Business  
**Year:** Senior



"After I graduate, I hope to find a job where I can continue to have a positive impact on the agricultural community by bringing my knowledge and skills of business and agriculture that I have gained through college, internships, and life experiences. I hope to use my education to give back to the people in my small-town community. Thank you for your generous contribution towards my continuing education."

### IAN CALLAGHAN

**Hometown:** Missouri Valley, Iowa  
**Majors:** Agricultural Systems Technology and Industrial Technology  
**Year:** Senior



"My education is very important to me and this scholarship will allow me to continue down the path of being a first-generation student. This scholarship has motivated me to prove to myself and to those that have invested in me that I am capable. Thank you so much for this opportunity, it means the world to me."

### ELIZABETH CONARD

**Hometown:** Kent, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Junior



"My educational experience is greatly enhanced with the donation from the Barbara J. Green Scholarship. Thank you for supporting me towards my career goals in the animal industry."

### JACOB COON

**Hometown:** Avoca, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Studies  
**Year:** Sophomore



"It is an honor to receive this award honoring Barbara J. Green. After reading about Barbara's story, it makes me feel even more honored to be part of this. This scholarship is allowing me to work on a career path towards becoming a precision agriculture technician."

### SAMANTHA DAVIES

**Hometown:** Nodaway, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Business  
**Year:** First Year



"This scholarship has allowed me to have a smooth transition into college life. With this scholarship's help, the stress of finances has been majorly lifted off my shoulders. While at Iowa State, I will put forth my best efforts to succeed in my classes. I will use that success, and the knowledge I gained from those classes, to pursue my future goals. I am extremely grateful for your generosity and support in my endeavors at Iowa State University."

### LILLIE DEVINE

**Hometown:** Underwood, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Sophomore

"I have many years of learning left in front of me, but with the support of this scholarship, I am thrilled to move forward and continue my education. One day, I will become a veterinarian capable of saving the lives of animals, and it is comforting to know that I have the support and funding I need to pursue my dreams."

### LAINY DEVRIES

**Hometown:** Red Oak, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Business  
**Year:** Junior



"I would like to express my gratitude for having been selected as the recipient of the Barbara J. Green Scholarship. Your graciousness in helping assist me with the costs associated with my education is truly inspiring and something I am extremely grateful for. I grew up on a family farm, which played such an important role in my life; it was my passion. To know that Barbara had a similar experience of assisting her father with chores around the farm makes this scholarship much more personal to me. The family farm is what first encouraged me to pursue an education in agriculture."

### JOSHUA DICKINSON

**Hometown:** Crescent, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Ecology  
**Year:** Senior



"Upon completion of my studies, I aspire to dedicate my career to the conservation and restoration of prairies and wetlands, particularly those in Iowa. Receiving the Barbara J. Green Scholarship reinforces my commitment to pursuing my academic and career goals. It serves as a reminder of the legacy left by individuals like Mrs. Green, who valued education and agricultural endeavors deeply. Her dedication to preserving the land for agricultural purposes and supporting students like me is truly inspiring."

## MONICA DUFF

**Hometown:** Council Bluffs, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Ecology  
**Year:** Junior



"The classes I am taking at Iowa State will be very important for my future career as a veterinarian. These classes will help to build the foundation for me on how to care for pets of a variety of species. This has been a dream of mine since before I can remember, and I am so ecstatic to be able to take this step towards that goal thanks to this scholarship."

## MADYSEN DUNLOP

**Hometown:** Council Bluffs, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Senior

"As a child, I always loved the zoo and would always want to go to my grandmother's farm to see her cows and pigs. As I got older, I always knew that I wanted to work with animals and help make their lives the best they can be. This past year has been one of the best of my life and a lot of that is thanks to your generosity allowing me to grow in skills, knowledge, and experience."

## ELIZABETH FLAHIVE

**Hometown:** Council Bluffs, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** First Year

"Since I was in early elementary school, I've always dreamed of becoming a veterinarian, and I am excited for this year at Iowa State to be the first, official step in that direction. I cannot thank you enough for your generous scholarship that will help offset future educational costs as I pursue the path of becoming a veterinarian."

## RAFE GAYER

**Hometown:** Treynor, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Studies  
**Year:** First Year

"Thank you for selecting me as a recipient of the Barbara J. Green Scholarship. The support of this scholarship will help me to further my education and career goals."

## GRANT GLEASON

**Hometown:** Audubon, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Studies  
**Year:** Sophomore



"I am very thankful to be chosen for this scholarship. Just like Mrs. Green, I have a deep passion for production agriculture and Iowa State University. My career plan after graduation is to join my father and grandfather in ownership, management, and operation of our family farm. I am beyond grateful for this scholarship assisting me in the pursuit of my life goals and for the knowledge I am gaining from my classes to take back to the farm."

## CLAIRE GROSS

**Hometown:** Council Bluffs, Iowa  
**Majors:** Agronomy and Seed Science  
**Year:** Senior



"The experiences and knowledge that I have acquired in just this past year at Iowa State have helped to shape me into who I am today. The opportunities in agriculture are endless and I look forward to seeing what the future has in store for me. I feel grateful to have been given this scholarship to aid in continuing my agricultural education."

## MAKAYLA GUBBELS

**Hometown:** Council Bluffs, Iowa  
**Majors:** Animal Ecology and Scientific Illustration and Visualization  
**Year:** Senior



"I greatly appreciate the support that allows me to focus on my education. My career plans involve utilizing my degrees to work with animals."

## BEN HANSEN

**Hometown:** Honey Creek, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Studies  
**Year:** Sophomore



"Getting an education at Iowa State University is important to me because I want to bring new ideas back to our family farm. I intend to return to the farm after I graduate college and will be the sixth-generation involved."

## ASHLEY HENNEMAN

**Hometown:** Shenandoah, Iowa  
**Majors:** Agricultural & Life Sciences Education  
**Year:** Senior



"It is very important to me to be able to attend college and receive my college degree, and this scholarship is very helpful in that aspect. I was very grateful to have an agricultural classroom that welcomed me into it. I want to provide that same welcoming space for my students someday."

## DACEY HENNEMAN

**Hometown:** Shenandoah, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** First Year



"Thank you for awarding me the Barbara J. Green Scholarship. This scholarship will help me with my tuition allowing me to accomplish my goal of becoming a veterinarian and to also explore other career opportunities during my time at Iowa State."

## DYLAN HOEFER

**Hometown:** Woodbine, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Systems Technology  
**Year:** Senior



"Thank you for your generosity in selecting me as a recipient of the Barbara J. Green Scholarship as I continue my education at Iowa State. The ag systems technology program at Iowa State is known all over the country, and I think it really gives me a solid background when applying for future jobs that I would like to explore."

## JENNIFER HOLLIDAY

**Hometown:** Greenfield, Iowa  
**Majors:** Agricultural Studies, Journalism and Mass Communications, and International Agriculture  
**Year:** Senior



"I am incredibly grateful to receive the Barbara J. Green Scholarship. Your generosity is truly appreciated as it helps me to be able to continue enjoying my time in college with more ease. It will help me to continue to work toward my career goal of becoming a member of the professional agriculture communications industry, which is my true passion in life."

## REBECCA INMAN

**Hometown:** Corning, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Business  
**Year:** Senior



"My goal is to become an agricultural loan officer, I chose this path because I want to help farmers succeed and provide them with the means necessary to do so. Scholarship donors, such as yourself, help make my dreams and goals a reality. Thank you for your generosity."

## LINDSEY JENNETT

**Hometown:** Blockton, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Senior



"Your support of my academic endeavors is truly appreciated. I love livestock reproduction and hope to be a livestock veterinarian at a reproductive company, and hopefully open my own clinic specifically for livestock reproduction in the future. These funds will go directly towards my education and will allow me to chase after my dreams of opening my own clinic."

## CHASE JOHNSTON

**Hometown:** Kent, Iowa  
**Majors:** Agricultural Business and Finance  
**Year:** Senior



"Thank you for investing in me and lessening my financial burden. After graduation, I plan to pursue a career in the agricultural finance industry where I can be an advocate for agriculture and fighting hunger. The impact you have had on my life will not be forgotten. I hope to be able to give back to others in the future and follow the example set before me."

## REN JOHNSON

**Hometown:** Glenwood, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Studies  
**Year:** First Year



"I have always wanted to work with animals and without further education I would not be able to achieve my dreams. I am incredibly grateful and excited to be a recipient of the Barbara J. Green scholarship as it helps lighten some of the burden of expenses needed to get my degree."

## MAKENNAH KIENOW

**Hometown:** Treynor, Iowa  
**Major:** Biology  
**Year:** Junior



"In the coming years, I am excited to immerse myself in my studies and actively participate in various academic and extracurricular activities. I plan to contribute positively to society by utilizing the knowledge and skills I acquire. I honor the faith you have placed in me by striving for excellence in all my endeavors. Thank you for your kindness, generosity, and unwavering support. May your compassion continue to inspire and impact the lives of others, just as it has touched mine."

## MCKENNA KOEHLER

**Hometown:** Glenwood, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** First Year



"I really appreciate being selected as a recipient for the Barbara J. Green Scholarship. This will help me tremendously as I invest in my future and get a degree from Iowa State to hopefully create my own business that will benefit the agricultural world."

## GEORGE MARTIN

**Hometown:** Imogene, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Systems Technology  
**Year:** Sophomore



"This program will help me to be successful in the future as I look to go back home and build my family's custom ag business. I want to be able to provide value in our operation, and one of the best ways to do that is to get a college education. I would like to thank you for your generous support in helping me to achieve these goals."

## SAMUEL MARTIN

**Hometown:** Imogene, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Junior



"This scholarship means so much to me as I can continue and finish my education here at Iowa State. Post-graduation, I hope to take what I have learned and join the agriculture workforce in either the animal health or nutrition side of the industry."

## DECEMBER MCGREW

**Hometown:** Emerson, Iowa  
**Major:** Agronomy  
**Year:** Junior



"Receiving the Barbara J. Green Scholarship will allow me to continue my education at Iowa State and accomplish my goals of becoming an agronomist and improving agriculture. Continuing my education at Iowa State will allow me to continue having lots of great opportunities and experiences, both inside and outside of the classroom."

## MALEA MOORE

**Hometown:** Randolph, Iowa  
**Majors:** Agricultural Business and Accounting  
**Year:** Senior



"Receiving this scholarship is not only an honor but also a tremendous support for my educational journey in the agricultural finance sector. Your investment in my education not only empowers me to achieve my goals but also enables me to make a positive impact on the agricultural community. I am committed to upholding the values and principles embodied by this scholarship."

## GRACE NIGHTSER

**Hometown:** Glenwood, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Junior



"Upon finishing my degree, I plan to attend veterinary school with a long-term goal of becoming a production animal veterinarian somewhere close to my hometown. This award means a lot to me as going to college and completing my degree is a vital step to attaining the job I have dreamed of having for as long as I can remember."

## MADDISON PARKER

**Hometown:** Council Bluffs, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Senior



"After graduation, I am considering furthering my education by attending a training school for canines with hopes of opening my own training service or doggy daycare center. Dogs have always been a huge passion of mine, and my animal science degree has helped me learn more about them in a fun way. I am very grateful for the Barbara J. Green scholarship as it has helped limit financial stress throughout my final year of school."

## EMILY PLAGMAN

**Hometown:** Cumberland, Iowa  
**Majors:** Agricultural Studies and International Agriculture  
**Year:** Senior



"I am truly honored to be a recipient of the Barbara J. Green scholarship while I further my education in the agriculture industry. I want to find a career in Extension where I can advocate for agriculture and educate future generations. I want to raise future generations to love agriculture. Thank you again for selecting me as a recipient for this scholarship!"

## KARSYN POSTON

**Hometown:** Villisca, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** Senior



"Like Barbara, I grew up on a small beef farm that has been passed down through many generations of my family, so I understand the legacy of having a family-owned operation. I have my goals set on becoming a veterinarian who practices mixed animal medicine. Looking back at what I have learned these past three years while I have been at Iowa State, I am super excited to see what I learn this current school year. Thank you for choosing to help me financially during my senior year!"

## JONATHAN RYAN

**Hometown:** Council Bluffs, Iowa  
**Major:** Biology  
**Year:** Senior

"Post-graduation, I am planning to attend a certificate program to obtain a license to become a medical technologist. The Barbara J. Green award will help me to accumulate less student debt, ultimately helping me to take the next step in furthering and finishing my education to achieve my dreams of helping my community."

## TRINITY SCHROEDER

**Hometown:** Lenox, Iowa  
**Major:** Animal Science  
**Year:** First Year

"I am in my first year at Iowa State with the goal of becoming a veterinarian. School has always been a top priority to me and this scholarship with help me with my future in agriculture."

## LUKE SEIDLER

**Hometown:** Council Bluffs, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Business  
**Year:** First Year



"It is encouraging to hear stories of people like Barbara who valued farmland and want to support new generations of farmers. I am eager to learn more about the agricultural industry at Iowa State University so that I can be a successful agricultural equipment salesman or possibly a seed salesman."

## QUENTIN SLATER

**Hometown:** Shenandoah, Iowa  
**Majors:** Agricultural Communications and Agricultural and Rural Policy Studies  
**Year:** Senior



"After graduation, I hope to work in the agricultural media or policy industries. I have immense amounts of passion for both and see just how much they can impact the industry we both know and love. I would like to thank you for your support and hope one day that we may both see more positive progress in agriculture."

## JADYN SUNDERMAN

**Hometown:** Clarinda, Iowa  
**Major:** Agricultural Studies  
**Year:** Senior



"I am a junior majoring in agricultural studies with a minor in history. I love doing a lot at once, so I chose the multidisciplinary option: three minors in one major. After college, I plan on traveling to different places in the United States, as well as other countries to learn about all kinds of agriculture!"



## Veterinary Medicine Scholarships

A total of \$30,000 was awarded for the 2024-25 academic year to three fourth-year veterinary medicine students. They met the criteria of residing in Pottawattamie, Mills, or Montgomery counties and are students within Iowa State University's College of Veterinary Medicine with an emphasis on large animals or production animals.

### SARAH BEHRENS

**Hometown:** Red Oak, Iowa  
**Major:** Veterinary Medicine  
**Year:** Fourth Year



"A blessing of growing up in a rural community was taking my pets to the same veterinarian that my mother grew up taking her pets to. The veterinarian at the time served as an informal mentor for me in my early childhood. He would always allow me to "help" in small procedures like vaccinations of my small pets. As I reflect on my experiences with this doctor, I know I want to serve as a conduit for other young people who are interested in this profession as he did for me. I am honored to have been chosen for such a prestigious award as I get nearer to graduation"

### MADISEN LIDDELL

**Hometown:** Pacific Junction, Iowa  
**Major:** Veterinary Medicine  
**Year:** Fourth Year



"This scholarship means a lot to me, as I, like Barbara, grew up on a farm. As a fifth-generation farmer, I understand the utmost importance of what farming does for our nation and our economy. I am proud to say that my family plans on continuing the farming business for many years to come with plans of expanding our livestock very soon. While my career isn't directly related to agriculture, I will be helping farmers with their livestock operations and caring for the animals they work so hard to keep healthy."

### NOLAN SMITH

**Hometown:** Audubon, Iowa  
**Major:** Veterinary Medicine  
**Year:** Fourth Year



"A lot can change over the four grueling years of veterinary school, but one thing that hasn't is my passion to create lasting relationships with livestock producers and to make an impact in their production practices. I am extremely grateful to have the opportunity to represent such a respected profession to all livestock producers. Lifelong learning and education are of the utmost importance to me. This scholarship will relieve some of the financial burden that a year of clinical rotations can reveal."



## Internship Scholarships

Internships offer students within the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences the opportunity to experience practical application of the knowledge learned in academic courses, to explore career options, make contacts, and build networks that can assist with securing employment. Scholarships assist with tuition and living expenses while students pursue their internship. An internship enriches a student's educational experience by combining work experience with academic performance.

Fifteen students received internship scholarships totaling \$30,000 for the 2024-25 academic year. An additional \$10,000 is anticipated to be awarded this academic year. We look forward to sharing the impact of your support and the meaningful experiences these students were able to gain.

## CALS Completion and Emergency Grants Fund

Your support of this fund is instrumental in helping students complete their degree or providing emergency funds because of financial difficulties. The minimal funding restrictions allow students to use these awards to pay for a variety of expenses, including housing, bills, food, healthcare, tuition, books, transportation, and emergency expenses.

Since this fund was established in 2018, nearly \$215,000 has been awarded enabling 73 students to remain at Iowa State. With your generous support of \$10,000 during the 2024-25 academic year, even more students flourish at Iowa State!



"I am beyond words. You have just helped me pay for my fall semester studies. I cannot even begin to say how grateful I am. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. You have brought my dream that much closer."

Andrea Carrasquillo-Davila, past recipient



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