

Wisconsin Hereford Association Female Grant Program

Purpose

The purpose of this grant is to assist WJHA youth members in purchasing a Hereford female to start building their own herd. The WHA would also like to encourage youth to participate in the Wisconsin Hereford Association Spring Sale. The grants will be funded by the Wisconsin Hereford Association and the consignors of the Wisconsin Spring Sale. There will be two \$500 grants awarded. Of the two grants, the consignor-sponsored grant can be used only at the Wisconsin Spring Sale. The WHA-sponsored grant could be used to purchase a Hereford female from any WHA member in good standing, and may be used at any date before December 31, 2025.

Eligibility

1. Youth must be a current member of the Wisconsin Junior Hereford Association. (Annual membership fee of \$10 may be sent with the grant application)
2. Age: Must be at least 7 years old on January 1, 2025 and not older than 22 years on January 1, 2025, as set forth by the National Junior Hereford Association.
3. If awarded the Wisconsin Spring Sale grant, youth must purchase a registered Hereford female from the Wisconsin Hereford Spring Sale on March 1, 2025 at the Fennimore Livestock Exchange. This grant is not transferable to any other member or sale. If not used, it will be withdrawn.
4. If awarded the WHA grant, youth must purchase a registered Hereford female from a WHA member in good standing by December 31, 2025.
5. Recipient(s) of the grant may not transfer the female to any other person or breeder for one (1) year.
6. Recipient(s) are strongly encouraged to be present at the Wisconsin Hereford Spring Sale.
7. Recipient(s) must have the means to provide the remaining funds required to purchase a female.
8. Recipient(s) will receive a grant check from the Wisconsin Hereford Association for \$500. For the Consignor-sponsored grant, recipient will pay full purchase price for the animal at the WHA Spring Sale. For the WHA-Sponsored grant, recipient will pay full purchase price for Hereford female purchased from WHA member in good standing.
9. Grant recipient(s) are invited to attend the following year's WHA Annual Meeting banquet to provide a follow-up report on their purchase and experience.

Selection Process

1. Grant application must be received to WHA Board Member Kelly Oleson, via email, no later than February 26, 2025. Kelly's email address is: oleson.kelly@gmail.com
2. Selection committee will be comprised of two (2) WHA board members and a WHA consignor.
3. Grant recipients will be notified shortly after the deadline.
4. Grant recipients will be recognized at the beginning of the Wisconsin Hereford Association Spring Sale.
5. The female purchased with grant funds must be transferred to the grant recipient's name when settlement is made on the sale day.

Application for the Wisconsin Hereford Association Female Grant

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

You must be a member of the Wisconsin Junior Hereford Association to be eligible for the grant. If you are not a current member, please enclose the WJHA application form and dues payable to the Wisconsin Junior Hereford Association.

Please indicate which grant you are interested in:

_____ WHA Grant

_____ Wisconsin Spring Sale Grant

_____ Both

Parent or legal guardian to complete the below portion of the application:

As the parent or legal guardian of _____, I hereby agree to see that there are funds available, should this grant be awarded, towards the purchase of a Hereford female in the Wisconsin Hereford Association Spring Sale, to be held on March 1, 2025 in Fennimore, WI; or from a WHA member in good standing, by December 31, 2025.

I also hereby agree to oversee the proper feeding and care of the female and to maintain communication with the breeder if assistance or guidance is needed.

Date

Signature of parent or legal guardian

Please in your own words write an essay why you should receive this grant and your goals with starting your own herd of Hereford cattle. In addition, please include the following information:

1. Number of females already owned
2. How you are going to pay for the balance of the Hereford female
3. How you plan to take care of this female
4. Explain your involvement in various youth activities (both ag and non-ag) and your level of involvement in them.

Please email completed application by February 26, 2025 to:

Kelly Oleson at oleson.kelly@gmail.com

Please contact Kelly Oleson with any questions at: oleson.kelly@gmail.com or 608-547-8101.