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# SOUTH DAKOTA HEREFORD ASSOCIATION

## 2024 HEIFER and STEER GRANT APPLICATION

\*\*\*NEW THIS YEAR: STEER GRANT APPLICATION\*\*\*

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### PURPOSE OF THE GRANT PROGRAM

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1. To provide quality Hereford heifers to youth interested in starting a herd.
2. To encourage youth to show and promote Herefords.

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### YOUTH ELIGIBLE FOR THESE GRANTS SHOULD MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

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1. Youth must be a member of the SD Junior Hereford Association and a resident of South Dakota. If youth aren't currently a member of the SDJHA, please provide the \$20 annual membership with this application.
2. Age: Youth must be at least 8 years old on January 1, 2024 and not older than 21 years on January 1, 2025.
3. SDHA highly recommends grant recipients show the heifer or steer in the 2025 SDJHA Field Day in June; at your local SD county fair; and in the 2025 SDHA Heifer Futurity, with the co-signature of a parent or legal guardian to aid in the exhibition of heifer in these shows.
4. Must be able to provide an amount equal to or greater than the amount of the grant to purchase a heifer or steer.
5. Youth must purchase a South Dakota bred and raised heifer or steer from the SD Excellence Sale to be held November 9, 2024 in Brookings, South Dakota.
6. Recipient agrees to abide by rules of the SDHA Futurity Show and the SDJHA Code of Conduct.
7. Recipient of a grant must be present at the sale in order to use the heifer grant.
8. Non-compliance with the grant rules by the recipients may affect future opportunities to receive a grant.

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### ALL GRANTS WILL BE \$600 for heifers and \$250 for steers

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Grants are not transferrable and do NOT carry over to the next year. **You may only apply for 1 grant- you must choose Heifer or Steer.**

NOTE: Grants are not limited to a one-time issuance. If you have won a grant before, you may apply again.

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### HOW RECIPIENTS WILL BE CHOSEN

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1. The selection committee, comprised of at least two, non-biased individuals.
2. NOTE: the SDHA manager does not have any involvement in the judging of these grants. No names will appear on the application portion submitted to the selection committee.
3. CRITERIA FOR JUDGING GRANTS: Financial need; Dedication to the Hereford breed; Ability to care for animal(s); Sense of responsibility; Integrity; Good candidate for continuing with the Hereford breed; How much effort was put into the application; Has applicant received a grant within the last several years? A.] If so, did the recipient adhere to the rules, such as showing the heifer at SDJHA Field Day, the county fair, and the SDHA Heifer Futurity at the SD State Fair.
4. Grant recipients will be announced November 9, 2024, immediately prior to the 2024 SD Excellence Sale.

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PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED APPLICATION BY NOVEMBER 1, 2024 BY EMAIL TO:

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**Application must be completed by the applicant only and in their own handwriting. Do NOT put your name on this portion of the application - failure to comply will result in disqualification.**

**DO NOT WRITE on reverse side (attach additional pages if necessary.) You may only apply for 1, either heifer or steer.**

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Please be specific in your answers.

1. List activities in which you are presently involved (i.e. community, Jr. Cattlemen's Association, 4-H, FFA, SD Jr. Hereford Association, National Jr. Hereford Association, etc.

2. At present, I own \_\_\_\_\_ number of cows; of which, \_\_\_\_\_ are Herefords.

3. How you will pay for the balance of the heifer or steer should this grant be awarded to you? For example: borrow money, have money in savings account, etc.

4. Yes or no. Do you agree to show this heifer or steer at the upcoming SD Jr. Hereford Field Day, local SD county fair and the SDHA Heifer/Steer Futurity?

5. Are you able to provide proper care for this heifer or steer as a show animal? Please explain.

6. In the space provided below, please explain why you are applying for this grant.

7. Which grant are you applying for: HEIFER OR STEER

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Applicant, please fill out the application yourself and in your own handwriting.

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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

YOU MUST BE AN SDJHA MEMBER AND A SOUTH DAKOTA RESIDENT TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A GRANT.  
If you are not a current member of the SDJHA, you may join by enclosing your annual membership fee of \$20 made payable to the SD Jr. Hereford Association with this application.

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received a grant before? If yes, which year(s)?

NOTE: Grants are not limited to one time.

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The following section must be completed by a parent or legal guardian.

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As the parent or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, I hereby agree to see that there are matching funds available should this grant be awarded toward the purchase of a Hereford heifer at the 2025 SD Excellence Sale to be held November 9, 2024 in Brookings SD.

I also hereby agree to oversee the proper feeding and care, as well as maintain communication with the breeder of the heifer in an effort to aid in the exhibition of the heifer at the upcoming SD Junior Hereford Association Field Day, local (SD) county fair and the SDHA Heifer Futurity Show. I also agree to abide by and see that the aforementioned youth abides by the Futurity Show rules and the 4-H Code of Ethics in showing this heifer.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## APPLICATIONS DUE BY NOVEMBER 1, 2024