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2001 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SB 2009

2001 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2009

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date: January 9, 2001

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Minutes: Tape #2, Side A 23.8

Jerry Effertz, President of the Board of Director for the State Fair Association, (testimony attached), named all the Board of Directors (booklet attached). He talked about the growth of the state fair; the board and staff; family events, show case of agricultural for 4H & FFA; the livestock exhibits; Ag awards; events and commercial exhibits.

Tape #, Side A 29.5

Jerry Iverson, Manager of the State Fair Association, (testimony attached), and mentioned two reports he was going to review; fist an overview, second, reviews of the budget request and special needs (reports attached). The 2001-2003 budget proposal as presented by Governor Ed Schafer which approves the agency budget as submitted. Their agency was not allowed to submit an increase. The budget recommends \$210,000 capital improvement loan assistance (projects listed) and \$340,0000 prizes from the general fund. It also includes \$20,000 for special funds, (Fair income) for prizes. Total budget is \$7.4 million. The \$50,000 general fund

recommendation represents 7% of their operational budget. He stated that 80% of the attendance is 21 years of age or younger.

<u>Senator Bowman</u>: About the parking lot and grandstand problems; couldn't you charge a user fee to utilize the costs- is this possible?

<u>Jerry Iverson</u>: The fair association sets fees and rents; there is not charge for parking; it is not feasible to charge for parking as difficult to explain to people.

Senator Bowman: Even if people understood the user fee was used to replace the parking lot?

Jerry Iverson: It's possible and we can look at it.

The video was not played in order to let others give testimony.

End Tape #2, Side A, meter 54.0 - Start Side B, meter 0.0

Christy Kronberg, ND 4-H Ambassador, (testimony attached) gave testimony that 4-H was tool to her advancing in life. She explained her past experiences with 4-H, FFA and the state fair and it's advantages. Asked for continued support for these programs.

Michelle Kraft, North Country 4-H Club, (testimony attached), gave testimony on her experiences with state fair and 4-H. Thanked committee for their continued support.

Jerry Buckley. North Country 4-H Club, (testimony attached), stated his involvement with the 4-H Division, mainly sheep and his experiences. Asked committee to approve requested budget amount by ND State Fair for premiums in 4-H and FFA projects.

John Rice. Benson County 4-H Club, explained his experience with 4-H and how it has helped him with speaking skills. The premium money is very important and asked for continued support.

Collect Reimers Beulah FFA, spoke about the members and events with the state fair and the incentives for everybody to participate.

Grant Boeshans, Beulah FFA, spoke on the state fair and premium money. The premium money is the root of all participation and that the chapter relies on it heavily. Ask for support of FFA.

<u>Devon Mack</u>, <u>Scranton FFA</u>, (testimony attached), spoke in support and incentives of the programs at state fair. Asked for continued support.

<u>Derrick Mack, Bowman County 4-H Club & FFA</u>, talked about animals and how the state fair teaches him responsibility with the animals and the work involved which has paid off with awards. The premiums are important and asked for continued support.

John McMartin, Minot Chamber of Commerce, asked committee to support SB 2009 with the additional requests. State 750 businesses in Minot are involved and support the state fair. This is positive money and asked for continued support.

Neil Leigh, Minot City Council member, stated he is representing the City of Minot and showed payments (figures attached) made to the All Season's Area from Minot sales tax.

Marsha Dupre, Minot's Convention & Business Bureau. (testimony attached), asked support for increased budget which will support and enhance family values. Thanked for past support and considerations to continued support to the ND State Fair.

Wanita Brown, Burleigh County, farmer/ranchers testified that she supports the premium money for 4-H & FFA.

Senator Nething: We do not have time to pass the bill like we have in the past sessions. We will review it soon as it is still early. Thank you all that participated in support of ND State Fair.

Tape 2, Side B, meter 29.2

February 5, 2001

Senator Nething reconvened the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Roll Call was taken by the Committee Clerk: 14 members present.

Senator Nething went over the week's schedule for full committee work and the subcommittee work -- copies were distributed (and copy attached here for reference).

Senator Nething reopened the hearing on SB2009 - State Fair.

Senator Schobinger presented proposed amendments to SB2009 (copy of 18035.0101 attached) - the State Fair bill. Senator Schobinger moved the amendments be accepted; Senator Solberg seconded the motion. Discussion: Senator Andrist: The 15 thousand -- if they can raise it, we are giving the authority to spent it? 25 thousand from the general fund? Senator Nething: Yes.

Senator Schobinger moved a do pass as amended; Senator Tallackson seconded the motion.

Motion carried. Senator Schobinger accepted the floor assignment.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2009

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Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2009 - State Fair Association - Senate Action

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Dept. 665 - State Fair Association - Detail of Senate Changes

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Capital improvements Premiums	\$40,000	\$40,000
Total all funds	\$40,000	\$40,000
Less estimated income	15,000	15.000
General fund	\$25,000	\$25,000
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2009: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DC PASS (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2009 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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2001 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2009

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. March 19,2001

House Appropriations Committee Education and Environment Division

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date SB2009

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Minutes:

Representatives Aarsvold, Boehm, Gulleson, Martinson, Monson, Wald, Wentz.

Representative Wentz: We will open the hearing on SB2009.

Jerry Effertz: Chairman of Board of Directors of ND State Fair Association. Asking your support of appropriations of SB2009. Mr. Efforts introduces some of the board members.

Jerry Iverson: Chairman of the North Dakota Fair Association. See attached testimony in packet. See overview and 2000 State Fair. Pages 1-5 is a summary of the last fair. Pages 6-9 are survey results. Every 50th person is surveyed as they go out. Pages 10-15 some news releases. Page 16-21, revenue comparisons and budget. Pages 22-27 list of capital improvements. Page 29 agency goals. Continue with attached budget request and special needs.

Discussion of revenue for concessions being under building rents. Only concession that is kept separate is beer gardens.

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Representative Martinson: (1670) I look at this, and I have concerns with all the competition for the dollar and all the other events that draw people. It is expensive, I have read letter from people who used to come up 5 days and more and now come one. We should try and figure out a way we can help you. You have to give people value for their dollar they spent. We need to try and create some excitement, and maybe try and get the Canadians back. Something new and differently. It is the value for the dollar. Your admittance has gone up in price, but your dollar has gone down. I think you do a good job and I look forward to working with you to maybe do something different and help you.

Representative Wentz: (2050) Could you tell us about the sponsorship of the grandstand.

Jerry Iverson: The ND Fair Association generated 270,000 dollars for it's operations from sponsors. It was the very best year we ever had. We don't get many folks who just call and say I would like to give us a certain amount of dollars. We hope this doesn't get offensive to folks.

Some suggest the fair gets too commercialized. We have 70 different business at this time, who agreed to be sponsors. Amoco has sponsored judges and superintendents, show cases, and a special picnic for the Ag teachers and county agents. It all goes towards 4-H and FFA, and improvements at the fair grounds. In exchange for that they get a sign on all of the tags the young folks have their names on all the exhibits. Everyone who gives something wants their name somewhere.

Carly Allsager: (2330) Sophomore at (?) High School and a member of FFA Chapter. In the years of FFA and 4-H Club, I have shown different species of livestock, and many different static exhibits. Every year a group of these members anticipate the trip to the ND State Fair. We are excited to show our projects and meet the new and old friends. We do not make a profit, and are asking for higher premiums.

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Erica Rudolph: From (?) FFA Chapter. I have been a participant in the State fair for two years.

We learn many skills at the state fair. There are a lot of benefits that come with being involved in the state fair, and to help one another learn. Thank you for the educational experience.

Tarand Hertsgaard: From the Kindred FFA Chapter. I am here to testify in favor of SB2009.

We have had to learn to get our animals ready for show. In my opinion, additional payments will help show a profit for the FFA kids who are not able to sell their animals at a premium sale. It doesn't matter where you are from, we help one another all week long.

Stephanie Glason: From Kindred FFA Chapter Ambassador. All year long our chapter prepares for the State Fair. I have had many projects through the years I have participated. We certainly get hands on experience. We participate and cooperate with other FFA and 4-H members from the State. After the fair there is a feeling of accomplishment.

Ken Anderson: From Kindred Chapter. The benefits of showing livestock are too numerable, not to mention the experience that will be useful the rest of my life. It helps us to learn and know where our skills lie.

Ashley Vangsness: Kindred FFA Historian. I have participated in the fair for the past 7 years. It has been a great learning experience in participating as well as judging. Participating in the state has allowed me to put my leadership skills to work.

Jason Snydam: From Garrison FFA Chapter President and active 4-H member. It takes a lot of hard work to compete at the state fair. I have become the State Ambassador and gotten the opportunity to help organize and run functions at the state fair. These skills I have learned are priceless. I ask you to continue your support in programs such as these.

Representative Wentz: You did a very fine job. We are impressed with all of you.

A short video is presented.

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB2009

House Appropriations Committee Education and Environment Division

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 29, 2001

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Representatives Aarsvold, Boehm, Gulleson, Martinson, Monson, Wald, Wentz.

Representative Wentz: I would like for us to act on the State Fair budget which is SB2009. I have one amendment I am going to propose, amendment 18035.0201. I would like to have part of the Senate amount removed. They added money from the general fund to increase the amount that is awarded for premium dollars, and also added some local match effort on the part of the State Fair.

Representative Martinson: I make a motion to adopt amendment 08035.0201. Seconded by Rep Boehm.

Representative Wentz: Those in favor say I, those oppose. The amendments pass with verbal vote. Any other amendments? Hearing none. Rep Martinson makes a motion for a do pass as amended. Seconded by Rep Wald. Any discussion? Vote taken, 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent. Rep Boehm to carry to the floor. Thank you, the meeting is adjourned.

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2009

House Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date April 3, 2001

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The committee was called to order, and opened committee work on SB 2009.

Rep. Wentz: Explains the amendment 18035.0201. Also explains the bill as it came over from the Senate. Moves to adopt the amendment. Seconded by Rep. Aarsvold.

Voice vote adopts the amendment.

Rep. Wentz: Moves DO PASS AS AMENDED. Seconded by Rep. Boehm.

Vote on Do Pass as Amended: 18 yes, 3 no, 0 absent and not voting.

Rep. Boehm is assigned to carry this bill to the floor.

Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for House Appropriations - Education and Environment

March 29, 2001

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FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Dept. 665 - State Fair Association - Detail of House Changes

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Total all funds	(\$15,000)	(\$15,000)
Less estimated income	(15.000)	(15.000)
General fund	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00

This arrandment removes the additional \$15,000 special funds appropriation for premiums added by the Senate and therefore reduces the amount of special funds appropriated for premiums from \$35,000 to \$20,000. The funding provided for premiums from the general fund of \$365,000 remains unchanged.

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STATEMENT OF PUMPOSE OF AMERICANIEST:

Dept. 226 - Department of Human Services

This amendment removes provisions included in the LSI relating to medical assistance baselies and to eligibility determination for the children's health insurance program and provides for a legicistive council study of the children's health insurance program.

SERVITE AMENDMENTS TO ENGINOSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1886 Page 2, line 5, repiece "21,962,476" with "22,262,476"

Page 2, after fine 17, insert:

"SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$300,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the state tax commissioner for the costs related to implementation of the provisions of House Bit No. 1399, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and enting June 30, 2003."

STATEMENT OF PUMPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Dapt. 127 - State Tex Commissioner - Senate Action

This emendment provides an appropriation of \$300,000 from the general fund to the State Tax Commissioner for the costs related to implementation of the provisions of House Bill No. 1399, relating to the decoupling of the state income tax.

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1249
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Page 1, line 5, raplace "general fund" with "attorney general refund fund from lawsuit settlement

Page 1, line 15, replace "general fund" with "special funds"

Page 1, after line 15, insert:

The funds appropriated from the attorney general refund fund must be transferred to the department of agriculture operating fund as requested by the state veterinarian."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PUMPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1248 - Department of Agriculture - Senate Action

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MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (MANY L. JOHNSON, CHEFF CLERK) MR. PRESIDENT: The House has concurred in the Senale amends with and subsequent passed. HB 1400.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (MARK L. JOHNSON, CHIEF CLEAN) MR. PRESIDENT: The House has adopted the confenence committee reports on SB 2147 and

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (WRILLAM R. HONTON, SECNETARY)
MR. SPEAKER: The Senate does not concur in the House amendments to SB 2177, SB 2203,
and SB 2345 and the President has appointed as a conference committee to act with a time committee from the House on:

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

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Page 1, line 2, remove 'and'

Page 1, line 3, after "study" insert "; to provide a contingent appropriation; and to amend and restrict section 38-06-19, subsection 1 of section 39-06-2-09, and section 39-09-02 of the North Dalota Century Code, relating to highways and operators increes."

Page 1, line 11, replace "121,531,562" with "118,331,562"

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SECTION 4. AMENDMENT. Section 39-06-19 of the 1989 Supplement to the North Dekota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

39-06-18. Expiration of license - Renseral.

- Every operator's ficense issued under this chapter supires and is renewed according to this section. The expiration date of an operator's ficense for every a person whose birth occurred in a year ending in an odd numeral is twelve midnight on the anniversary of the birthday in the socond subsequent year ending in an odd numeral. The expiration date of operator's ficense for every a person whose birth occurred in a year ending in an even numeral is twelve midnight on the anniversary of the birthday in the second subsequent year ending in an even numeral.
- If the licensee has reached the age of eighteen, and desires reissuance of a license with the distinctive background for licensees at least the age of eighteen and under the age of hierity-one, the applicant may apply at any time for a replacement license. If the license has reached the age of themty-one and desires reissuance of a license without the distinctive color background required by section 39-06-14, the applicant may apply at any time for a replacement license. In effects, the applicant may apply at any
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- A physical description of the person, including sex, height, weight, and eye and hair color.
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- The person's signature: ب
- The class or type of commercial motor vehicle or vehicles which the person is authorized to drive together with any endorsements or d
- The name of this state; and یع
- The dates between which the license is valid.

Section 39-09-02 of the North Daircla Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows: SECTION 6. AMENDMENT.

39-09-02. Speed limitations.

- Subject to the provisions of section 39-09-01 and except in those instances where a lower speed is specified in this chapter, it presumably is lawful for the driver of a vehicle to drive the some at a speed not exceeding:
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Major Items Affecting State Fair Association 2001-03 Budget

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Major Legislation Affecting the State Fair Association

At this time, no major legislation has been introduced affecting this agency.

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Hoeven Increase (Decrease) to Schafer	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Major Schafer Recommendations Affecting State Fair Association 2001-03 Budget

General Fund Other Funds Total

1. Funding is provided at the same level as the 1999-2001 biennium, which includes \$360,000 for premiums and \$210,000 for a portion of the payments on State Fair debt.

Major Hoeven Recommendations Affecting State Fair Association 2001-03 Budget Compared to the Bill as Introduced (Schafer Budget)

General Fund Other Funds

Total

1. The Hoeven budget recommendation does not change the Schafer executive budget recommendation for this agency.

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NORTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR

OVERVIEW & 2000 STATE FAIR

PREPARED BY JERRY IVERSON MANAGER

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"The 2000 North Dakota State Fair in Minot was the best ever produced," manager Jerry Iverson said.

He listed increased a jam-packed nine-day schedule of big name concerts and free-stage attractions, increased exhibit numbers, vast improvements on the Fairgrounds, and, according to judges in many areas, wonderful quality livestock, horses, fine arts and more.

Attendance of 206,584, just 2% fewer visitors than the 1999 State Fair, was the only disappointment, Iverson said but he is still proud of a unique state showcase that blends the carnival and concert aspects with a family-oriented, country feeling of cows and cowboys, car races and animal acts.

The extravaganza July 21 - 29 had a stellar stage line-up from Christina Aguilera and Clint Black to a zany wheel event new to Minot, a Road Hog race in which one driver steers a modified car and the other runs the brakes.

The 600 commercial spaces were full, free stages drew happy crowds, and the manicured grounds showed plenty of new additions and improvements.

Adult Fair-goers could pay \$6 a day or buy a \$20 season pass, \$13 for juniors or \$4 for 4-H and FFA members. There also were daily discounts. Children 7 to 12 paid \$1.50 with free admission for those under 6. Auto and RV parking was free in our East Lot.

A 7-show State Fair pass for \$30 or \$35 for reserved seating included Dwight Yoakam (4,700 attended), Kenny Chesney (4,900), Cart Races (650), Enduro Auto Race (3,400), Classic Car Show & Concert (2,850) Clint Black (5,025) and Sammy Kershaw (4,950).

Single ticket events included a Christina Aguilera concert (11,600), Demolition Derby (1,250), Monster Trucks (2,150), Bull-a-Rama (2,072), 2 nights of rodeo(2,700) and Party in the Dirt with Montgomery Gentry (1,950).

Free to fairgoers, the annual Horse Pull had the arena full with the "Kids Showdeo" also bringing in spectators. New to the fair was the Miss Rodeo North Dakota State Fair pageant. Kami Lee Fladeland was crowned on Saturday, July 22 and will reign for one year with this title. The Pee-Wee livestock show was also a favorite at the 2000 Fair.

An Alternative Livestock Barn called "Moos, Ewes, & More" drew kids of all ages to see a sow with nine piglets and baby calves to bottle feed as well as more exotic creatures like fainting goats and emu chicks.

Obedience dog demonstrations were another favorite in the barn from

Ambush Training Kennels.

The North Dakota State Fair spent \$580,000 for paid ticketed entertainment and more than \$160,000 for free attractions around the fairgrounds. Bob Romeo of Omaha, Nebraska, booked the concerts.

Three prominent changes in the grounds changed the complexion of the Fair. Addition of the 40,000-square foot Magic Place to the State Fair Center was home to cooking, needlework, horticulture and many other exhibits. That opened the former Cultural Building to allow the 4-H to spread out.

The FFA also had more space to show off excellent exhibits, both in the FFA Hall and in the State Fair Center lobbies and halls, where larger displays drew appreciative visitors.

It was not surprising that youth entries were up again, 12,000 some for 4-H and 14,000 for FFA. The youth and their leaders especially enjoyed a more spacious exhibit area with the two organizations dividing the former State Fair office space.

The Fair office moved upstairs into their new office addition. This area is more pleasant with an atrium overlooking the main lobby also hosting a bar, concession area, umbrella-topped tables and several bathrooms.

Horticultural exhibits, attractively displayed, added a quiet zone to the busy State Fair Center. Benches in this area, and those plentifully scattered across the Fairgrounds, offered resting places.

The former Pavilion building was razed and replaced with the State Fair Park. Old trees and more benches mingled there with a giant sand box, a flower display, paved walkways, children's rides, plots of eight North Dakota farm crops and a free stage area.

An exciting new change transformed the former site of 4H exhibits to "Seeds of Change," a hands-on museum with scientific and artistic projects for children of all ages.

There were other changes such as making the old 4H barn into an air-conditioned bunny barn, home to hundreds of rabbits. Traffic configurations also changed to improve safety and traffic flow for shuttle buses. On the independent midway, food booths were beautified; even hand-washing stations were added and the 45 umbrella topped picnic tables made it a pleasant place to pause.

The free stages, as always, were good draws. Stage 1, with a giant sandbox and twice-daily Easter Seals puppet programs, also hosted Murphy Brother's Kiddie Carnival rides, the Show Me Safari Petting Zoo and the

annual State Fair Clowns.

The Fantastic Convertibles claimed Stage 2 on July 21 - 25. Hypnotist Sami Dare and Crowd Pleasers Karaoke took over this stage July 26 - 29.

Stage 3 bleachers were packed every show for Rocket's K9 Comets, a Frisbee dog show. Stage 4 was a race track again for three shows a day by Daryl's Racing Pigs. Stage 5 hosted the Welde Family bear show with their unusual family pets, brown bears.

The ever popular pond area near the center of the Fairgrounds is home to the North Dakota Game and Fish Department's Outdoor Skills and Recreation Park and the Fur Trader's Rendezvous. The outdoor skills area, in its 7th year, has a pond where Fair-goers can try catch and release fishing. The fur traders, who live and cook in their area all through the fair, bring demonstrations of early-day knowledge. All of this makes up Stage 6.

At Stage 7 you could see an amazing sandcastle that took 35 tons of sand and 7 days to complete. On July 28 & 29 the 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament was underway in this area. This brought in die-hard basketball players to the asphalt even in hot temperatures.

Finally at Stage 8, Alexander's Mini Hitch returned with nine ponies and participated daily in the parades and horse shows. Exotic Endangered Cats, the Squalus Shark Show, and Kachunga and the Alligator Show were all hits at Stage 8. State Fair goers were able to see all these exotic animals in one place.

Coors Flickertail Gardens featured Tom Gibson as "Sam Ting" along with "Starting Line-Up," July 21-25. County Fair Talent Winners and "Big Fun" took over the Flickertail July 26 - 29. The PUB had "Durango" and "Whiskey Jack" splitting up the week and entertaining the crowds.

The State Fair Center Theater saw heavy use including a free performance of "Nunsense" by Minot State University's summer theater group, professional boxing, and Senior Festival.

TRAX +, a family fun center open year round, drew plenty of Fair visitors to enjoy go-cart tracks and a miniature golf course.

Carnival receipts were up for the 36 Murphy Brothers Enterprise's rides, including two new thrillers from Italy introduced at Minot. There were carnival discounts from the Minot Chamber of Commerce, Minot Daily News, KMOT-TV, Pride of Dakota, Coca-Cola, KXMC-TV/ND, state cooperatives and newspapers.

Contests were commonplace at the Fair: the 5th annual Auctioneer's Contest benefited the State Fair Foundation and 35 clowns competed for the

annual Clown Contest. The Country Band Showcase saw groups compete for \$1,000, while the Chili Cook-Off was taking place competing for a \$600 first place prize. The Amateur Talent Contest was in its 5th year with 20 contestants competing for a \$450 cash prize.

Athletes flocked to a 5K race, 1.5 mile race/walk, bench press, arm wrestling competition, 3-9n-3 basketball tournament, and a Kids Tractor Pedal Pull which drew 72 kids alone.

The Horse events included team penning, roping, jackpot barrel racking and 10 days of Horse Shows. Tennessee Walking Horses made their debue at this years State Fair. Open-class shows in beef, dairy, swine, sheep, llamas, rabbits, and poultry brought crowds to comfortable, airconditioned arenas.

Static open-class contests went on for horticulture, food, needlework, fine arts and crafts, photography, writing contests and education. Total competitive exhibit numbers exceeded 40,000. Special exhibits of "Parade" Magazine photography and a Smithsonian Museum "Prairie School" exhibit brought people to Magic Place. There were sewing and quilting demonstrations, as well.

Special promotions in the festival tent include the KMOT/Pride of Dakota festival showing off North Dakota-based products and services. The Parenting Day Festival was filled with fun, educational and parent-child activities. The KX Co-op festival started with a free breakfast before its 10am opening to feature state cooperatives.

Thursday's Senior Festival 2000 offered half-price admission to those 60 - and - over until 2 PM. Festival entertainment, topped off with Land O' Lakes ice cream social, included The Korsliens, Prairie Gospel quartet, Fantasy Fiddlers, Lena & Freda, and the Mouse River Players.

Other special promotions included Farm & Ranch Guide's Country Woman of the Year banquet on July 28 and 2-for-1 day when the purchase of a Coke product meant two persons get in for the price of one. 2-for-1 deals were going on throughout the fairgrounds which meant great savings for fairgoers.

The North Dakota State Fair received over \$220,000 in cash sponsorships and nearly \$120,000 in trade-out sponsorship annually.

Amoco Oil generously sponsored FFA and 4-H activities plus leadership scholarship funding. Other key sponsors are Trinity Health, Coors Light, Coca-Cola, Keystone Light, Holiday Inn, Bremer Bank, SRT, Dodge, Morelli's Distributing, Trinity Regional Eyecare Williams Center, and Blue Cross/Blue Shield. New sponsors include: Cass Clay, Hubbard

Feeds, Inc. and Sun Praire Grain.

Even with fewer fairgoers, Fair officials still concluded, "It's the best Fair we have ever produced in years since it became North Dakota's official showcase." The fireworks at midnight July 29 were a celebration of success.

FAIRGOERS COMMENTS

"Loved the acapella singing group, the rodeo was great, pasta idea was super!" Karen Hook - Halliday, ND

"Stayed in motorhome for all 10 days. Excellent entertainment!" Richard B. Newfeld - Winnipeg, MB

"Best fair ever! The sandcastle, lion and tiger show, kiddyland, lots of benches, senior day, RV parking in east parking lot. The entertainment is good and interests the "young" crowd."

Irms Ann Solberg - Ray, ND

"I am very proud of our State Fair. It's all like one big family helping each other. ND proud."

Dorothy Corpron - Stanley, ND

"The exhibits are the most enjoyable part of the Fair for me. They are displayed beautifully."

Beverly Lorenz - Minot, ND

"A great opportunity for the children to strive for excellence and be rewarded." Evelyn Holland - Minot, ND

"No complaints at all. We are really pleased. There is no place we can go to see that many concerts for 30 bucks."

Bill Rennick - Milestone, Saskatchewan

"It has been great this year."
Dina Butcher - Bismarck, ND

"Enjoyed the Pride of Dakota day." Sandra Holweger - Arvilla, ND

"Had a blast!"
Paulistte Schmidt - Dickinson, ND

"The North Dakota State Fair was great again!"
Lance Van Berkom - Minot, ND

"Nice fair. Nice parade. Good entertainment."
Mrs. Pat Nolte - Pembine, ND

"Liked the two commercial buildings and extra stages of country and rock-n-roll. Nice clean surroundings and friendly people.

Diane Boit - Mandan, ND

"We think you do a great job!"
Orris & Irene Halvorson - Minot, ND

"We've been coming for 5 years and enjoy every year."
Louise Vandekamp - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

"Bands for rides are a great idea! Fun!" Bobbie Gleason - Tolna, ND

"Very good. Good food. Commercial buildings are good." Beverly Olson - Sherwood, ND

"Wonderful! Driving up each day for the concert pass. Six people!"
Margaret Sitte - Bismarck, ND

"The biggest thing in Minot! Keep it up!"
Kayla Budler - Minot, ND

"I like the free parking lot!"
Jodi Turner - Minot, ND

"We enjoyed all the entertainment on the free stages."
Nancy Thomas - Williston, ND

"Our first time here! Food was great!"
Joni Bixier - Minot AFB, ND

"Great team penning, Increased 4-H participation, Very family directed!" Nelson Taylor - Karval, CO

"Really had a nice time. Enjoyed the museums."
Treesy Heinle - Tioga, ND

"Enjoyed the Horse Pull. Was Great!" Carol Kay Moen - Epping, ND

"Thanks for the free parking! Had a good day!" Linds Berreth - Goodrich, ND

"Kids stuff was excellent. Fiddlers were excellent!"
Linda Dummel - Medica, ND

"Great day, entertainment and organization." Nadeane & Jim Silbernagel - Bismarck, ND

"This year has been the best so far. I'll keep coming back." Jessica Fitzgerald - Minot, ND

"Well organized and alot to see."
Tony Lill - Mercer, ND

"Very nice senior entertainment. Everybody very nice to us." Hilda Isaak - Hazen, ND

"Montana display was different and interesting. Rope guy was cool."

Jeff Robison - Canby, OR

"It's a great fair! A job well done!"
K. Keys - Minot, ND

"Excellent exhibits and hospitality."
Page & Ardith Fenton - Middletown Springs, UT

"We enjoyed ourselves. There's something for everyone."
Pat Henderson - Carievale, Saskatchewan

"We were here four straight days. Great time! Pleased at number of restrooms." Jan Lerbakken - Beatty, NV

"Very good! Impressed how the garbage cans were being sprayed and kept clean." Gary McLaughlin - Lankin, ND

"Excellent fair, one of the best we have ever seen. The children's section was super!" Mrs. Mary Paselk - Minot AFB, ND

"The fair is fun and I enjoy it every year."
Tressa Miller - Bismarck, ND

"Clean, love the benches along the KX/KMOT row."
Cheryl Hagar - Minot, ND

"Enjoyed alternative animals exhibits." Maria Niemitalo - New Town, ND

"We always enjoy walking around at the fair, watching other fairgoers and seeing exhibits."

Karen Klimpel - Minot, ND

"Excellent job for kids programs. Getting better every year."
Jack Schlosser - Bismarck, ND

"Great fairl We'll be back next year!" Luanne Lee - Fargo, ND

"The kids tent with activities was great."
Niki Roed - Minot, ND

"Enjoyed every minute."

Marge Royer - White Earth, ND

"Just a fun day to look around especially quilting demo." Rhonda Daniel - Ray, ND

"Good discounts. Educational venues like NASA and shark exhibit are good." Rick Stevens - Minot, ND

"The grounds are very beautiful." Candace Beckman - Minot, ND

"Coming for 10 to 12 years. Excellent organization." Vernon McLean - Estevan, Saskatchewan

"Been here every year since a child and nothing bad has ever happened. Good Security." Virginia Tandeski - Devils Lake, ND

"Good time had by all. I thought the fair was kept clean. Employees were clean."
Julie Ebert - Minot, ND

"Gets better every year. Keep up the good work, enjoyed it!" Clarence Voigt - Bismarck, ND

"We had a fun time and the bands were great. I can't wait for next year!"

Penny Morin - Dunseith, ND

N.M. Legislature Pumps \$8.2 Mil Into State Fair

By James Zoltak
The New Mexico State legislature
has failed to pass measures
that would have pumped over
\$15 million in the New Mexico
State Fair in Albuquerque, while
imposing state oversight on
the event's spending, but lawmakers voted nonetheless to inject the
fair with an infusion of \$8.2 million.

That was good news for new fair General Manager Rick Murray, who took over the post Jan. 2 from interim manager John Garcia, the secretary of the state Department of Tourism, who had been filling the post since the departure last year of former manager Dennis Campbell. Campbell had replaced long-time fair manager Sam Hancock.

"The final tally was \$8.2 million. We didn't get any more money than that, but we are extremely excited about the prospect of getting those dollars," he said. "It appears (the legislature is) going to have a special session some time in April or May, when we will most likely receive another \$2 million to \$4 million."

Roughly \$6 million of the allocated funds will go toward improvements and modernization of Tingley Coliseum, Murray said.

While more money, especially \$1.5 million that would have been used to pay down debt incurred as a result of dwindling horse racing revenue, would have been useful, Murray said that as a manager he isn't terribly disappointed that spending control at the fair will not be turned over to the state Department of Finance and Administration.

"We still remain an enterprise fund," Murray told AB. "The infusion of money would have been

welcomed to pay down our debt, but I'm not too upset about not giving up control. The \$1.5 million would have come with strong strings attached."

He said the \$1.5 million outlay and DFA oversight issue could be revisited at the special session.

"We are feeling very fortunate at this point," Murray said. "We received more capital outlay money from the state of New Mexico than any other agency in the entire state. Being that is was the first time out of the blocks for us to ever request any money, we feel tremendously successful."

Murray said he was gratified at the degree of interest among lawmakers in making sure the state fair remains viable.

"There was not a lot of debate or argument on the merits of providing these dollars for capital improvements on the grounds, so my hat is off to all of the legislators." he said.

A big benefit to fair vendors to have the state fair retain control of its spending will be the maintenance of its current 30- to 45-day accounts payable period. With DFA oversight, it could have stretched to 60 or even 75 days, Murray said.

Murray, 38, comes to the New Mexico State Fair after four years as a lobbyist and director of community relations for the Albuquerque Public Schools. Prior to that, he spent five years as a television news reporter at local ABC and CBS affiliates. Before getting into television, he owned a small ad agency and production company for seven years. Murray graduated as a communications major from Eastern New Mexico University in Portales. ©

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EDITORIAL

Think spring: Ag Expo helps farmers plan for future

Minot's All Seasons Arena is buzzing. It all began Thursday and it continues through Saturday. The festivities include the latest machinery, technologies and even livestock competitions.

For the 26th year, the KMOT North Dakota Ag Expo is playing host to scores of people during a three-day run at All Seasons Arena

The event is one of the premiere ag shows in the upper Midwest.

Expected tors sign up on a long with list, hoping to gain some space to show off their stuff. This year, about 300 booths will be filled by exhibitors.

The show drew more than 30,000 people to the Magic City last year.

As KMOT General Manager Colleen Anderson said: "Agriculture is the backbone of the economy in this part of the state. Events like the exposhow it."

Welcome to Minot. We hope you enjoy the show and the Magic City's hospitality:

State Fair deserves help

The North Dakota State Fair got a warm reception at the Legislature this week when State Fair General Manager Jerry Iverson asked that \$119,864 be added to the fair's 1997-99 budget.

The money would go toward contest prizes and to help pay for livestock projects for children.

The State Fair benefits not just Minot and Ward County, but the entire state. And these kinds of projects directed toward the state's children are definitely positive.

As Sen. Rollie Redlin, D-Minot, said: "This is an extremely worthy organization that helps children. With all the pressures on children to do things that are less worthwhile, we must support projects that give them an alternative."

The State Fair usually has to scratch and claw to get state funding, even though it's a state event.

It's our hope that the Senate Appropriations Committee will carry its warm reception farther, and the fair will get the additional money. IPPING SERVICE 1435 Interstate Loop Bismarck, ND 58501

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Legislative report

Senator Harvey Tallackson, District 16

It's fail weather and football veather too. We need rain and yet we don't, because of crops left to narvest. Last week I was on a pudget tour of facilities (State) in Devils Lake, Bottineau, Minot and the Peace Garden. Scenery is peautiful as we haven't had a frost. Crops are much later in the North Central area of North Dakota. Lots

of combining left to do.

I was impressed by the communities we visited. These coms are wholeheartedly ed to their institutions, CO Mancially and physically bod (volunteers). For instance, at the Bottineau College, local funds have been committed to the campus totaling \$86,000 for capital needs. Bottineau is a community of 2500 people. In Minot at the State Fair Grounds, the state of North Dakota contributes less than \$200,000, and only for premiums to the youth, of a 3.17 million dollar budget. The fair association and the local people furnish the balance. Walsh and Pembina counties supplied 375 4H exhibits. In Devile Lake, 7700 people, the community is a major

contributor to the Lake Region College and Deaf School.

It seems these communities have a common desire to assist their institutions to the fullest. This has allowed the institutions to make terrific gains in improving their buildings and grounds and their mission.

The communities that will survive are the ones with nearly 100% cooperation and financial support from their residents and businesses.

Lots of events coming up. The lutefisk dinner at the Park River Bible Camp and many church suppers. I plan to attend as many events as possible. It's a great time of year.

A friend told me the other day that "there's a county fair and a state fair-after that nothing is fair

in life."

Plans are being completed for the dedication of the Veterans Outreach Clinic at the Grafton Developmental er, October 11th at 11 'Ve will be honored with the presence of the U.S. Secretary of Veteran. Affairs.

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The Forum Fargo

Fair prize appropriation should be restored

Ti's unfortunate that our North Dakota State Fair's prize and awards appropriation that provides incentives to good kids to do good things with their families has been cut. The state appropriated prizes given to the winners, who show over 33,000 entries at our State Fair, and they benefit everyone. Over 80 percent of the prize money appropriated is paid to North Dakota's kids—the remaining awards are paid to the adults who compete and provide the examples from which these young people learn.

The State Fair provides the "state championships" for the winners of 25 county fairs. Without good prizes and proper motivation at the fair, our local fairs will see a decrease in participation and our kids will be less likely to be involved in the hundreds of great family

activities they host.

Let's urge our local legislators to support the State Fair and to recognize what these competitions mean to North Dakota kids and their families. It would take a 20 percent increase in awards just to get back to the 1991 level of funding.

An investment in worthwhile family actions will pay greater dividends than the money we have to invest in correctional institutions, for those who failed to find

the proper motivation.

Connie Hanson President North Delote Association of Fairs Devis Lake, N.D.

Legislators may cut 4-H award funds

Premiums necessary for transportion of projects

By KATIE VOLK

FFA members repeat "earning to live" in their motto, and 4-H members pledge time and talents to the community in their motto.

What does the state give back? Gov. Ed Schafer has proposed a bill that reduces premium money for projects the students enter at the North Dakota State Fair.

Since 1992, the legislators have cut premiums, eash awards for winning projects. The student; use the money to help with transportation costs, project materials, and the money serves as a strong incentive for youth to complete their projects, 4-H leaders said.

If the state Legislature continues to cut premiums, State FFA Advisor Joei Janks said the number of exhibits at the fair could dramatically decrease.

"If volunteers get the feeling that it's not worth the effort, the exhibits will decrease," Janks said:

bits will decrease," Janks said.
Some hand animals and load pickups with projects to showense at the state fair in Misot, but trusporting is expensive.

Without a good incentive, the youth might quit — leaving hog, beef, and other barns only partially full, FFA and 4-H leaders said.

"Where does the state place its commitment in supporting young people in agriculture? What is the reason to support young people and family activities?" Janua said.

"I've never met a gang member who's in 4-i: and FFA," Stave Zigamerman, a 20-year FFA and 4-H veteras, said: "With all the compasse on education, they want to out it. It's not a real incontive decision to make that kind of out.

Sharon Kicharte-Gerbig, a Stark and Billians County estension

"Where does the state place its commitment in supporting young people in agriculture?"

— Joel Janke, State FFA Advisor

agent, is also concerned.

"For some young people, financial recognition is what some strive for to meet their goals," she said. "When you work with kids, you have a different way of recognizing them, otherwise you lose them."

Of the 325 Stark and Billings County 4-Hers, about 40 percent participate in the state fair, Gerbig said.

The state 4-H and FFA programs each submit about 10,000 projects annually, but the participation has gradually declined since the first premium cut in 1992, Janke said.

The state fair provided the fair exhibitor with \$179,000 in prizes in 1992, but the projected premiums for 1997-98 is projected at \$140,068.

Amy Dukart, a 4-H and Killdeer FFA member said the premium money is divided between the student and the chapter at Killdeer.

The money heips our chapter so we can see that, money toward feture trips and activities. The money we get is very important because it's hard to get money from other places," she said. "The people say, 'when is our money going to get here?" They can't wait to get it."

She said the premium money is a reward for hours of hard work and deflection

The North Deltota State Pair budget hearing is echeduled for Priday, Jan. 10, at 9:30 a.m. The hearing will be baid in front of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Rep. Frank Wald, R-37, is the chairman of the committee. A toll-free number to epitact local legieletors is 1-868-635-3447. Dunn County Herald Killdeer

Fair days fun then, now



RAIRIE BREEZES

Marcia Sickler

The first time I went to the North Dakota State Fair, it was the summer of 1967, and I was 14 years old. Our county agent, Ole Linnell decided to take a truckload of 4-H steers to the fair that summer to show. We were all a bunch of rednecked, hayseed farm kids, and the big city of Minot and the North Dakota State Fair, seemed like a dream beyond reality. It was also a chance for all of us to the farm for a week and to see ng new.

is were "bug-eyed" as we explored the barns, watched the car races, clapped at the rodeo, walked through the various exhibits, and listened to musical entertainment.

The delicious smell of popcom and fried foods soon beckmed us to the midway, where we spent hours enjoying the rides. The lights of the carnival reflected in our eyes. We showed our steers on the green north . . After that year, the North Dekota of the 4-H building

Dunn County captured Grand Champion FFA steer, Reserve Champion 4-H steer, and the best pen of five 4-H steers! You can imagine how proud our parents

When we got home that night, we proudly unloaded our steers as Adam Gratz and the high school band played the "Washington Post March."

School Superintendent John Hegvik shook hands with each of us and Doreen Wick, "Miss Killdeer Mt. Round-up Rodeo," presented Ole with a new Stetson. My mother still has the photos that appeared in the town newspaper the next day. That night I let my steer out to his; quiet pasture and he played and bucked like he was so glad to be back to the farm and away from the city and the city noises.

State Pair becaine an ammal event"

for my family. Even if we were combining or if the weather was raining. we always managed to take in the fair, even if it was just for Sunday afternoon. At least we could say. "We went to the fair."

Sometimes when we go through old pictures and slides of those years of showing at the fair, we laugh and marvel at how many of the kids that showed steers then are now married. Their kids are now exhibiting at the

It is also a little and to see that some of the people that were with us then are not with us now.

It is also amazing to see how clothes and fads changed through the years and even the style of livestock and cattle that were exhibited then. It is nice to see all the improvements and new facilities that have been added through the years that draw so many exhibitors and North Dakotens to the fair. Many want a taste of the educational, cultural and recreational attractions that are offered every summer.

The North Dekote State Fair is an excellent shownless of the excellent quality of life, livelihoods and opportunities of North Dekota's -most valuable resource - its people.

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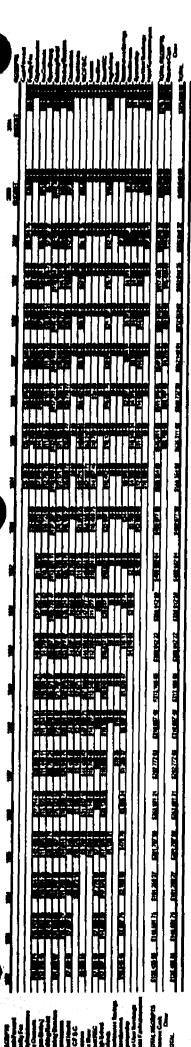
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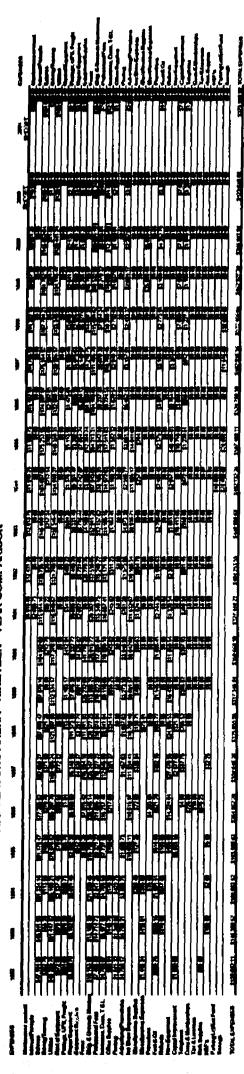
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ARENA EXPENSE COMPARISONS AND BUDGET

MAJOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS Source of Revenue

(also includes State and Local support of facilities)

The ND State Fair was authorized by the 1965 State Legislature with the 1st Fair held July 17-23 of 1986.

YEAR		STATE FUNDS	LOCAL FUNDS	FAIR FUNDS
1969	4-H & FFA BARN	\$25,000	***	
	1/4 Mile Race Track		\$20,000	•
1971	Horse Barn		\$16,000	\$39,000
1975	Caretakers House			\$27,900
	All Seasons Arena	\$500,000	\$1,700,000	
1976	FFA Building	\$250,000		
	Horse Barn & Stalls	\$200,000	** /	
	Paving & Lighting		\$94 ,000	\$200,000
	Interest			\$28,713
1977	New Shop		***	\$11,000
	Kiddles Barn		\$8,000	444 444
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1978	Warehouse	AT-0.000	\$1,700	\$3,000
	Expo Bam & Stalls & Wash	\$500,000		
	Trailer Park	\$40,000		
	Sewer/Water/Electric System	\$60,000	*00.000	6 07,000
	3/8 Mile Race Track		\$30,000	\$25,000 \$75,000
	Security Fencing			\$75,000 \$ 07,000
	Toilets			\$27,000 \$23,770
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1979	Grandstand Seats		\$60 000	\$35,000
	Jaycees Building		\$60,000	6 9 000
	New Sidewalks			\$8,000 \$16,658
1090	Interest		\$2,500	\$16,658 \$2,500
1980	Avenue of Flags Crops & Gardens Bldg		φ2,500	\$2,500 \$70,000
	Parking Lot - Land			\$95,000
	Interest			\$13,976
1981	Fencing			\$5,913
1001	Paving Around Bams			\$60,170
	Front Sign			\$5,980
	Sewer & Water Drains on Ind. Midwa	v		\$ 4,125
	Parking Barriers & Signs	7)		\$3 ,160
	Expanding Outdoor Horse Arena			\$1,000
	Interest			\$12,524
1982	Expanding Outdoor Horse Arena			\$1,000
	Landscape Machinery Area South of	Com. Bida.		\$3,000
	New Aluminum Seats for Grandstand	-		\$40,000
	New Stalls for Goats & Sheep			\$7,500
	New Parking Lot Sign			\$6,250
	Fencing East Lot			\$4,000
	New Stage			\$49,000
	1st Phase of Electrical			\$6,440
	Renovation	\$110,600		**************************************

CONTINUED MAJOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (also includes State and Local support of facilities)

YEAR	PROJECT	STATE FUNDS	LOCAL FUNDS	FAIR FUNDS
	Steel Post & Chain Fences A	round Grounds		\$10,038
	Concrete Benches		\$650	V 10/000
	Beer Garden Addition		\$6,500	\$8,868
	Electrical Service for Oil Show	N	• •	\$1,400
	Construction Parking Lot N of			\$7,300
	Stage			\$48,658
	Pave Shuttle Bus Route			\$2,004
	Interest			\$11,847
1983	Stage Cover		\$7,800	\$15,800
	Electrical	\$39,400	•••	\$38,614
	Comfort Station	•		\$73,022
	Signage			\$5,652
	Sheriff's Office			\$1,029
	Landscaping			\$1,094
	Livestock Pens			\$3,815
	Interest			\$10,007
1984	Parking Lot Landscaping			\$23,852
	Trees & Shrubs			\$1,999
	Signage			\$6,565
	Grandstand Gates & Entries			\$2,710
	Ticket Office Addition			\$4,194
	Pave Front of Grandstand			\$8,800
	Curbs			\$2,970
	In-field Transformer			\$2,700
	Spotlight Stand			\$750
	Commercial Building II			\$473,324
	Comfort Station Architect			\$96 0
•	Landscaping at Stage II, Rem	ove Road		\$6,877
	Interest			\$18,601
1985	All Seasons Arena Companior			
	& Office under contract with			
	payments pledged as of 1/	/ 8/85	\$1,486,418	\$ 433,658
	Landscape around Pond			\$590
	Paving Front Grandstand			\$5,325
	Remodel Picnic Area			\$4,459
1986	Signage			\$764
	Trees			\$1,080
	Waterline			\$8,678
	Beer Gardens			\$263,633
	Interest		\$25,950	\$44,338
	Paving West Arena		\$45,000	\$22,961
	Sewer Improvement	•	\$ 166,181	\$1,908
Y.	Paving			\$ 13,775
	Beer Gardens Heating			\$ 24,611
	Beer Gardens Fencing			\$1,142

CONTINUED MAJOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (also includes State and Local support of facilities)

YEAR	PROJECT	STATE FUNDS	LOCAL FUNDS	FAIR FUNDS
	Concessions Area Arena II		\$ 21,210	
	Land		*	\$70,000
	Arches			\$6,733
	East Parking Lot Paving			\$420
	Trees			\$320
	Interest		\$88,234	\$70,423
1987	Arches		\$35,000	\$23,673
1001	Paving by Arch		\$9,845	\$8,600
	Dairy Barn Lighting		4414.4	\$1,041
•	Morton Shop			\$9,357
	Stage III			\$4,800
	Interest		\$78,152	\$120,339
1988	Cultural Concessions Area		\$8,057	4 (.)
	Cultural Building		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
	Theater/Conference Room	/		
	Kitchen/Equipment/Restro		\$1,594,660	\$1,377,706
	Parking Lot		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
	Gym Dandy's Center	\$70,000		\$330,000
	Dressing Room	• •		\$7,920
	Backstage Bathroom			\$1,884
	Free Stage			\$1,000
	Pedestrian Control			\$3,937
	Restaurant I		\$60,119	
,,,,,	Honeywell Air Cleaners			\$1,825
	Interest		\$ 65,595	\$86,831
1989	Carnival Bathroom			\$14,605
	Commercial III/Sidewalk			\$8,424
	Gate Change/Shuttle Route			\$10,055
	Dressing Rooms			\$2 ,701
	Pepsi Gate		\$15,000	\$ 1,569
	Restaurant il		\$106,045	
	Visibility Barrier Fence			\$3,135
	Interest	\$201,027	\$73,975	\$71,547
1990	Camping			\$5,176
	Comm II/Heating & Air		.	\$139,559
	Comm II Restaurant		\$86,706	
	Horse Barn			\$3,000
	Beer Gardens/Concrete			\$443
	Shuttle Route			\$1,849
	Coffee Room	A- A	<u>***</u> * ** *	\$ 495
•	Interest	\$210,000	\$72,821	\$37,093
1991	Camping/Elec/Sewer		\$7,200	\$10,000
	Comm II/Heat, Air, Lights			\$5,727
	Horse Bam II/Liner			\$1,312
	Cultural Bidg/Arbitration			\$13,834
The second secon	Ticket Booths			\$3,179

CONTINUED MAJOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (also includes State and Local support of facilities)

YEAR		STATE FUNDS	LOCAL FUNDS	FAIR FUNDS
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Q1/((#) Q(QQ	LOOME FOILD	FAIR FUNDS
	Ticket Office/Electric			\$545
	Handicap Access/Grandstand			\$3,597
	Land			\$5,000
	Surface Drainage/Culverts			\$1,400
	Arena i Retrofit	400 405	\$370,000	****
	interest	\$60,125		\$269,758
1992	Expo Barn Concrete		\$2 7,339	
	Fence			\$ 6,293
	Ticket Booths			\$3,810
	Interest	\$149,875		\$111,745
1993	Horse Barn Concrete		\$74,116	
	City/Arena Maintenance Repairs		\$30,000	
	Interest	\$210,000	\$11,440	\$17,974
1994	West Lot		\$225,645	\$27,626
	Barn Moving		\$119,350	VII. (I I I I I I I I I I
	Grandstand Restrooms		·	\$40,407
	County/Building & Grounds Repair	r	\$ 57,524	
	City/Arena Maintenance Repairs		\$80,000	
	Interest			\$303,850
1995	West Lot			\$19,550
	Moving Reader Board Sign			\$7,350
	East Lot	\$30,000	\$20,000	\$91,261
	City/Arena Maintenance Repairs		\$80,000	
	County/Building & Grounds Repair		\$67,818	A 400 000
	Interest/Debt Service	\$210,000		\$186,333
1996	Midway Transformer	tar:		\$1,000
	Midway Parking	-		\$24,709
	Stage Roof			\$119,233
115.	Street Lights			\$ 5,500
ent. Personal	City/Arena Maintenance Repairs		\$80,000	
	County/Building & Grounds Repair	•	\$ 69,849	
	Interest			\$179,319

CONTINUED MAJOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (also includes State and Local support of facilities)

EAR	PROJECT	STATE FUNDS	LOCAL FUNDS	FAIR FUNDS
1997	East Parking Lot Flickertail Concrete Pond Fountain English System			\$26,875 \$4,358 \$2,324 \$3,828
	Sprinkler System City/Arena Maintenance Repair	' 8	\$80,000	ΨΟ,ΟΣΟ
	County/Building & Grounds Rej		\$68,870	
	Interest	\$210,000		\$171,886
1998	Flat Track - Drag Strip		\$290,344	
	County/Building & Grounds Rep		\$85,678	
	City/Arena Maintenance Repair		\$80,000	\$70,000
	Arena I Restrooms Pond Fountain			\$70,000 \$674
	Grounds Keeper's Garage			\$11,008
	Grounds Keeper's House			\$5,230
	Interest			\$165,602
	Expansion		\$241,881	\$4,664
999	New Asphalt			\$112,049
	Fence Relocation North of Fair			\$7,782
	North Road Relocation		\$50,000	\$12,500
	Pavilion Project			\$829
	Electrical for Machinery Row	1 ~		\$15,487
	West Lot Camping Improvemen			\$11,781 \$410
	East Lot Fence Remove/Replace Industrial Lot Gravel	6 0	\$51,000	φ+10
	Gate Repair/Install Barrier		401,000	\$835
	City/Arena Maintenance		\$80,000	• • • • •
	County		\$91,605	
	City/Magic Place		\$ 6,916,560	
	Interest	\$210,000		\$156,184
2000	City/Magic Place/Renovation		\$1,445,519	
	City		\$57,566	440.000
	Kiddle barn relocation/parking			\$16,683 \$6,000
	Porter land			\$6,000 \$2 ,324
	Porter land fencing State Fair Park			\$33,090
	West lot camping			\$9,119
	County		\$95,328	• •
	Interest		•	\$129,123
1966	Misc. Items Listed			\$835,291
	TOTAL	= \$3,286,027	\$16,940,750	\$8,263,191

MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS: Non-specified improvements include the purchase of props, tables, chairs, display curtains, stock panels, tractors, vehicles, and other equipment, the remodeling of the plumbing of 3 bathrooms In the Arts & Crafts Building, the remodeling of the grandstand ticket office, the addition of a mens toilet in the Arts & Crafts Building, \$8,000 worth of hand dryers, new staging, sodding of boulevards, replanting of grass, remodeling of the beer gardens and 4-H building, ticket booths. installation of new gates, fences, dividers, the demolition of two horse barns, the old hog and sheep barn, two race barns, an old log barn, two houses and the old office. The construction of a show mobile stage, a new underground drainage system, dredging of the pond, construction of a horse arena, cattle tie outs, new parking lot roadway and lights, aluminum benches, aluminum picnic tables, more portable bleachers, reroofing of dairy barn, painting of domestic arts building, beef barn & dairy barn, new soffits on horse bam, miscellaneous fencing, remodeling pub's bar, diaper stations, painting grandstand, in all over \$835,291 worth of additional significant changes and improvements.

***Major improvements do not include general routine maintenance repairs, the purchase of consumable supplies, or replacement of equipment

Footnote: A small portion of the interest credited to the support of Fair funding from 1976-1984 could possibly be credited to local funds.

Also the interest is included each year, because the total of the project was entered when it was built.

MONEY PAID TO STATE GOVERNMENT BY & BECAUSE OF STATE FAIR

2000 ESTIMATE REVENUE TO STATE GOVERNMENT FOR 12 MONTHS \$1,300,000

Sales taxes collected by state tax department

Taxes paid by North Dakota businesses on sales made during State Fair estimated to be more than three times that of out of staters

State income taxes paid on income earned at the Fair Wages, salaries, professionals and businesses

Wholesale cigarette license and taxes

Gaming license as required by state law

Carnival gaming fees paid by Murphy Brothers

Vending machine licenses and permits

State Worker's comp. paid by Fair

State Worker's comp. paid by others because of Fair business

Taxes on beer paid to state by wholesalers

Use tax

State Beer License

County Beer License

Fees to Brand Inspector

Electrical, plumbing and health inspections

Foodstand Licenses

Gaming taxes -

Unemployment Insurance

Trucking permits

Sales taxes because of tourism to and through North Dakota

gas taxes, etc. (Minot est. \$26M impact from Fair and other events hosted by the State Fair)

State income taxes paid by those providing services to Fair businesses

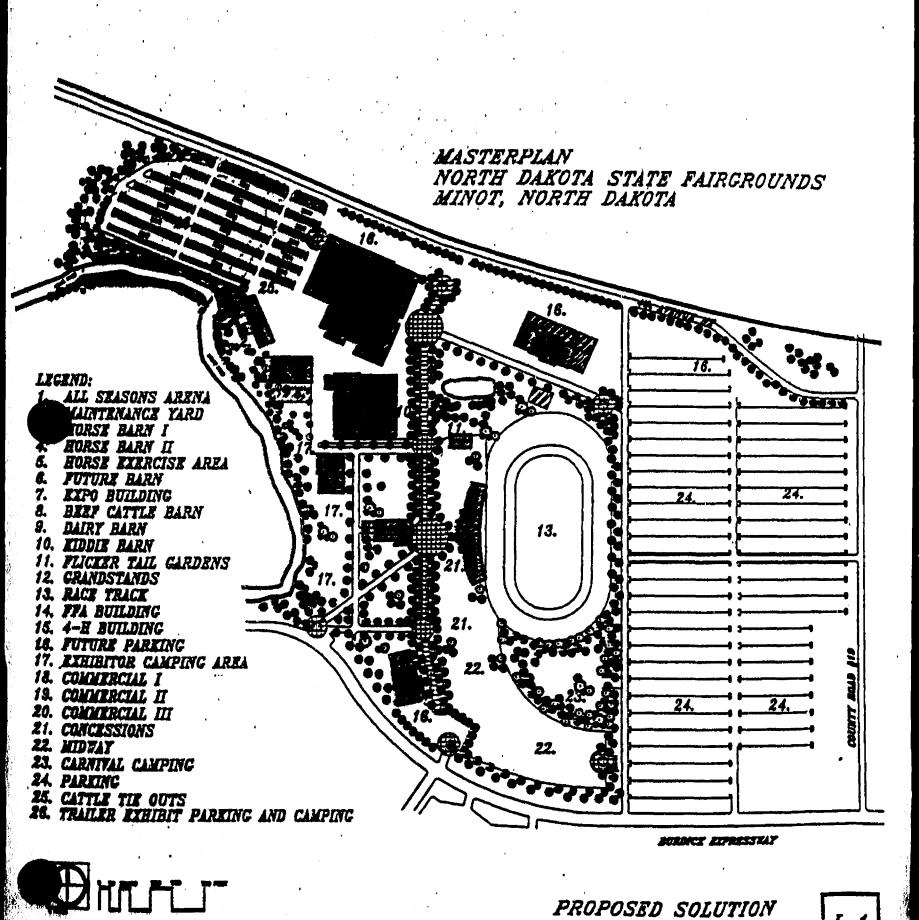
GOALS OF STATE FAIR / SERVICES PROVIDED

Agency mission and goals-

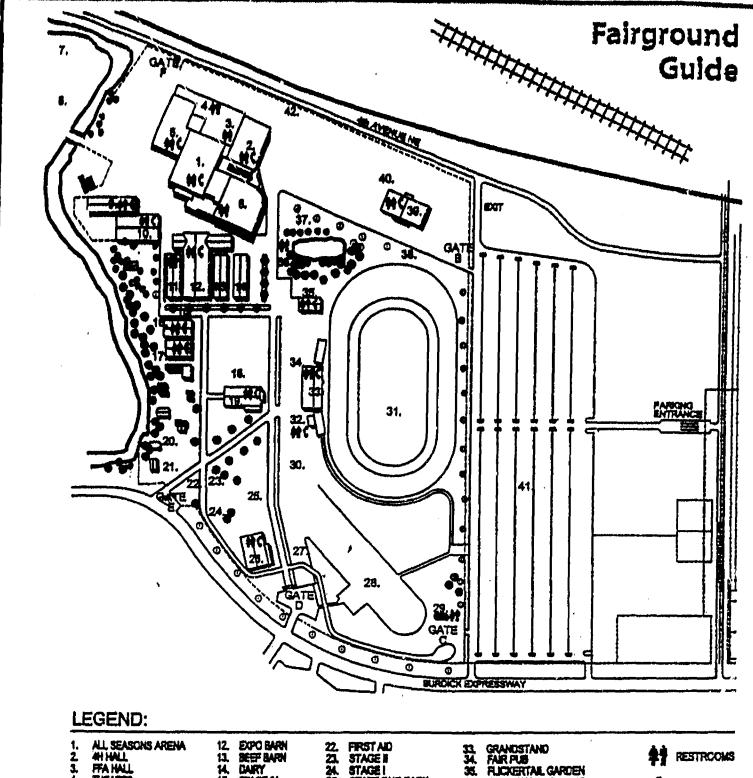
To provide opportunities for involvement, to provide incentive for 4-H, FFA & others to advance and learn by doing, to be the showcase of North Dakota, to present challenges and rewards, to promote North Dakota to utilize our assets to an economic advantage, to cooperate in a year round promotion of 4-H, FFA, agriculture and industrial enhancements, to generate revenues used to benefit State Fair participants. Fair continues to provide a setting of positive enrichments for families.

Services provided-

- 1. Provide year round incentives for our young leaders of tomorrow 4-H'ers, FFA"ers, school children and young open class exhibitors.
- 2. To provide something for everyone (in terms of interest and involvement).
- 3. To be the showplace of North Dakota and promote our traditions, our quality of life, and our future.
- 4. The State Fair shall present challenges and rewards and shall select and recognize our best.
- 5. To provide entertainment that will attract viewers for our exhibitors (family orientated entertainment).
- 6. To promote our state.
- 7. To utilize our facilities for an economic advantage.



FINAL ILLUSTRATION PLAN



- ALL SEASONS ARENA
 4H HALL
 FFA HALL
 THEATER
 HERITAGE HALL
 MAGIC PLACE
 EXHIBITOR RY PARKING
 STOCK TRAILER PARKING
 HORSE BARN I
 HORSE BARN II
 HORSE BARN II

- 12. EXPO BARN
- BEEF BARN DARY
- STAGEN SEEDS OF CHANGE 25.
- BUNNY BARN STAGE
- は位立れ COMMERCIALI PIONEER YILLAGE
- STATE FAIR PARK COMMERCIAL III STAGE VIII 27. RESTROOMS 3E. 31. INCEPENDENT MIDWAY

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- **FACETRACK** RESTROOMS
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- TRAX+ COMMERCIAL II
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RESTROOMS



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STATE FAIR SENATE BILL 2001

Chairman, Senator Nething and members of the North Dakota State Senate Appropriations Committee, thank you for this opportunity to tell the North Dakota State Fair story.

This packet includes two reports; the first is an overview and report on the 2000 Fair, the second report reviews our budget request and special needs.

I reviewed the 2001-2003 budget proposal as presented by Governor Ed Schafer. It notes that it "approves the agency budget as submitted," please note that our agency was not allowed to submit an increase. The budget recommendation provides for the \$210,000 capital improvement loan assistance and \$340,000 for prizes from the general fund. The budget also includes \$20,000 from special funds, (Fair income) for prizes. The total budget for our operation for 2001-2003 will approach \$7.4 million. The \$550,000 general fund recommendation represents 7% of our operational budget.

State Fair asks that you give favorable consideration to our request for \$400,000 for prizes from the States general fund for this next biennium and that you continue the \$210,000 appropriation that is tied to State Fair's capital improvement loan that was originally \$4,570,000 (now paid down to \$2,345,000 as of 10-1-00)

Your review of State Fair capital improvement projects as listed for your consideration would be greatly appreciated. Our deteriorating asphalt becomes a greater priority each year.

Before I review the reports with you, I wish to note that the State Fair does reach out for assistance from others. While admissions, fees, and rents represent the majority of our income, we have received over \$7 million for

2005 Burdick Expressway East P.O. Box 1796 Minot, North Dakota 58702 Phone 701.857.7620 Fax 701.857.7622 email: ndsf@minot.com Web site: minot.com/~ndsf capital improvements from a 1% City of Minot sales tax during this past biennium. Private businesses from across our State provided over \$270,000 in sponsorships for the 2000 Fair, while the City of Minot provides a 1% motel tax for the maintenance of the State Fair Center at nearly \$100,000 per year. In addition, the County of Ward provides the State Fair with \$200,000 each year for maintenance and facility enhancements and the State Fair also receives \$70,000 in promotions in exchange for grandstand ticket trade outs.

I believe that this \$640,000 annual commitment to our Fair from non-state sources tells a wonderful story. I do not believe that any Fair, anywhere, receives that percent of their budget from the friends of their Fair.

Mr. Chairman and members of the Senate Appropriations Committee, I wish to quickly review the Fair reports. Direct your attention to the exhibitors hand books, and let our Fair Friends tell their story. If time permits, we do have a State Fair 2000 video that I would like to show.



Payments made to the All Season's Arena

-	ales ax	Hotel/ Motel Tax	Other Sources
1990	160,000.00		26,000.00
1991	28,000.00		31,795.36
1992	32,000.00		
1993	30,000.00		
1994	80,000.00		
1995	80,000.00		
1996	80,000.00		
1997	80,000.00		
1998	80,000.00		
1999	80,000.00		
2000		87,117.10	
	730,000.00	87,117.10	57,795.36

Payments made to All Season's Arena Expansion

_	Sales Tax
1998 1999 2000	2,955,095.84 4,054,945.36 1,010,478.61
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NORTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR

BUDGET REQUEST & SPECIAL NEEDS

PREPARED BY JERRY IVERSON MANAGER

JANUARY 1, 2001

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GENERAL OPERATIONS/OVERVIEW

State Fair continues to generate revenue for its day-to-day operations. As a service agency, State Fair hosts the State Championships for 4-H, FFA, and other departments with income from admissions and rents.

The North Dakota State Fair and the All Seasons Arena complex are funded through user fees except for State appropriations for:

- 1. Awards/premiums for competitive exhibitors
- 2. The assistance on \$3.2 million loan for capital improvement (\$210,000/biennium)
- 3. Specially approved state capital improvement projects paid by the State of North Dakota

A.	1981 - \$150,000	Electrical project
B.	1978 - \$100,000	Sewer/electrical project
	\$500,000	Expo Barn
C.	1976 - \$250,000	FFA Building
	\$500,000	All Season's Arena
D.	1969 - \$25,000	Barn

State Fair and the All Seasons Arena have a combined budget of about \$3.7 million annually.

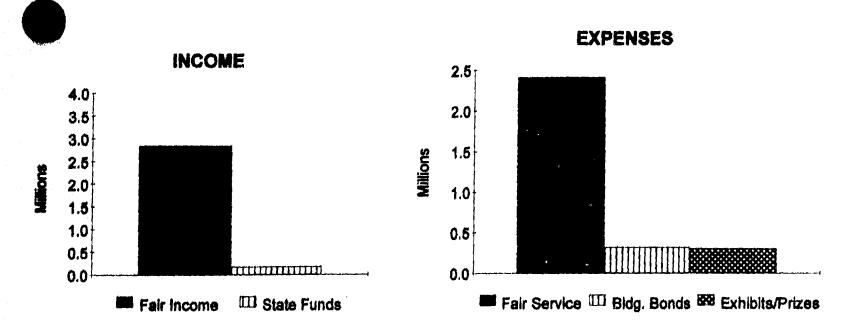
STATE FAIR GENERAL FUND BUDGET REQUEST

ITEM	LAST BIENNIUM	THIS BIENNIUM	PROPOSED FOR NEXT YEAR
Premiums Canital Improvement	320,000	340,000	400,000
Capital Improvement Loan assistance Asphait Repair	210,000	210,000 - 3rd year request -	210,000 350,000
Grandstand Natural Resource		- Requested for 16 years -	6,000,000
Center		- Requested for 10 years -	530,000

IMMEDIATE GOAL

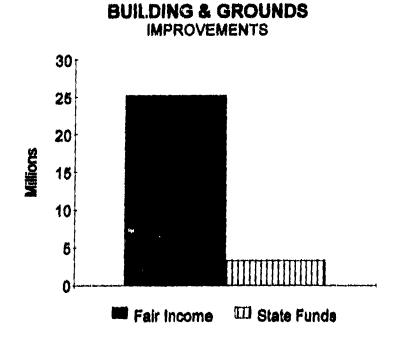
- 1. Secure premium and capital improvement bond assistance.
- 2. To repair the Fair's asphalt surface.
- 3. To keep the Fair's Grandstand and Natural Resource Center on the list of the State's projects for when or if dollars are available.

2000 STATE FAIR S3M INCOME



State Funds can only be used as designated for prizes and payments on our building loans. All other expenses are funded through user fees. Over \$1.1M are generated annually by state and local governments because of State Fair and other events hosted by State Fair.

1965-2000
Summary
\$28M
Fair's income: net revenues &
\$16.9M donated by individuals,
City of Minot, the County of Ward,
and Support Organizations
including work in progress.



State Fair was founded in 1965

STATE FAIR BUDGET REQUEST FOR 2001-2003 BIENNIUM

1. Premium/Awards Request - \$400,000

- A. State Fair cannot spend these dollars on any other project or program.
- B. With 40,805 entries at State Fair we have a track record that shows that we can expect an annual increase when awards are not reduced.
- C. The selection of State champions and the paying of awards at State Fair is an integral part of the 4-H and FFA programs. State Fair serves as a motivator for excellence. The money expended on state winners need not be apologized for; it's only fitting that the leaders of today and tomorrow who show at the State Fair be recognized. They shall provide the continuing tax base for the special needs of others.

D. Awards Overview -

The State's premium/awards appropriation in 1976 was \$5/entry and is to date, with our increase in entries, \$4.17/entry.

Unfortunately, inflation has taken 50% of the value of the \$5/entry average appropriation away from the exhibitors as the cost of production and travel expenses have continued to grow.

It's impossible for State Fair to budget additional premiums from operating revenues without severely reducing the service we provide to our Fairgoers.

Granted, if we would not have provided improved facilities requested by our Fair exhibitors, we would have less exhibits. On the other hand, we are expected to provide good services and to be North Dakota's showplace of agricultural, cultural, industrial, and human resources.

State Fair's request for an awards appropriation is for the benefit of all exhibitors and NOT for the operational budget of State Fair.

The increase in awards appropriations was greatly appreciated. State Fair asks that favorable consideration be given our request for more prize money. Better prizes have increased our entry number by 5239 since 1996; the number of students participating has indeed been a great return on our State's investment.

PREMIUMS

	1980	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
AG PRODUCTS	\$1,174.80	13251	\$1,401.17	2366.77	\$1,144.80	\$1,143.01	\$1,098.89	\$1,096.04	\$1,071.09	15.1462	\$968.19
ARTS AND CRAFTS	\$1,804.65	\$1,413.54	\$1,855.17	\$1,506.65	\$1,448.82	\$1,439.79	\$1,398.48	\$1,782.75	\$1,873.68	\$1,914.46	\$1,134.69
	\$17,479.12	\$18,631.23	\$20,384.76	\$14,797.07	\$15,882.72	\$14,209.38	\$10,135.56	\$11,114.75	\$10,407.94	311,100.68	\$12,825.64
DOMESTIC	\$1,931.00	\$1,817.35	\$1,824.11	\$1,573.45	\$1,616.07	\$1,649.70	\$1,347.46	\$1,760.60	\$1,826.47	\$2,080.81	\$1,450.90
DAIRY	\$11,869.40	\$12,058.67	\$13,983.17	\$6,938.81	\$8,423.03	\$6,557.73	\$4,474.04	\$5,083.64	\$8,071.48	\$9,526.30	\$8,943.17
EDUCATION	\$2,433.19	\$2,265.69	\$2,217.52	\$1,759.96	\$1,530.62	\$2,127.10	\$2,236.48	\$3,072.69	\$2,691.50	\$2,923.83	\$2,960.62
FLOWERS	\$1,516.00	\$1,237.35	\$1,371.42	\$1,036.43	\$1,186.46	\$1,104.82	\$1,215.46	\$1,166.04	\$1,287.48	\$1,283.30	\$1,192.20
digitalism with	\$50,334.49	\$48,778.30	\$51,395.38	\$46,475.31	\$46,216.51	\$47,247.36	\$51,020,17	\$56,601.10	\$55,564.26	\$55,681.01	\$55,093.73
¥	\$45,363.51	\$46,136.99	\$45,045,59	\$41,368.48	\$39,727,59	\$40,331.62	\$41,769.53	\$52,541.79	\$61,451.08	\$64,336.50	\$69,937.29
GOATSALAMAS	\$141.00	\$627.63	\$1,130.73	\$907.31	\$1,200.31	\$1,057.32	\$1,241.16	\$1,272.12	\$1,280.12	\$1,457.20	\$1,132.96
SARKE	\$1,374.00	53163	\$1,648.23	\$1,974.55	11,989.27	\$1,486.59	\$1,698.50	\$1,624.95	\$1,911.54	\$3,188.30	\$2,346.71
HORSES	\$13,737.35	\$15,177.94	\$16,288.80	\$11,156.75	\$9,620.25	\$11,414.35	\$9,521.38	\$13,006.42	\$10,258.85	\$10,733.49	\$15,176.39
MEAT PRODUCTS	\$102.00	\$107.00	\$108.67	\$89.35	(Culinary)	(Culinary)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NEEDLEWORK	\$2,161.00	\$2,1236	\$2,227.46	\$1,905.01	\$1,690.45	\$1,710.59	\$1,622.97	\$2,117.10	\$2,080.66	\$1,920.32	\$1,573.90
PHOTOGRAPHY	\$791.75	15.708\$	\$834.14	\$471.94	\$608.37	\$589.56	\$666.88	\$652.72	\$558.62	\$472.30	\$514.46
POULTRY	\$1,745.88	\$1,834.28	\$1,913.08	\$1,058.99	\$1,715.13	\$1,424.57	\$1,150.49	\$677.02	\$1,309.88	\$727.30	\$843.96
RABBITS	\$326.80	\$277.13	\$301.23	\$230.19	\$354.37	\$578.00	\$642.20	\$487.64	\$529.06	\$309.54	\$439.56
SHEEP & WOOL	\$11,101.08	\$12,679.68	\$13,537.63	\$11,871.20	\$11,386.79	\$10,622.86	\$11,072.22	\$10,202,19	\$9,719.60	\$10,373.68	\$11,339.13
WESTING	\$1,605.00	\$1,750.00	\$1,750.00	\$1,408.55	\$1,638.73	\$1,594.08	\$1,524.69	\$1,488.09	\$1,433.61	\$1,444.16	\$1,450.73
OTHER	\$188.32										
REBONS/AWARDS .	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	

"INCLUDED IN DEPARTMENTS

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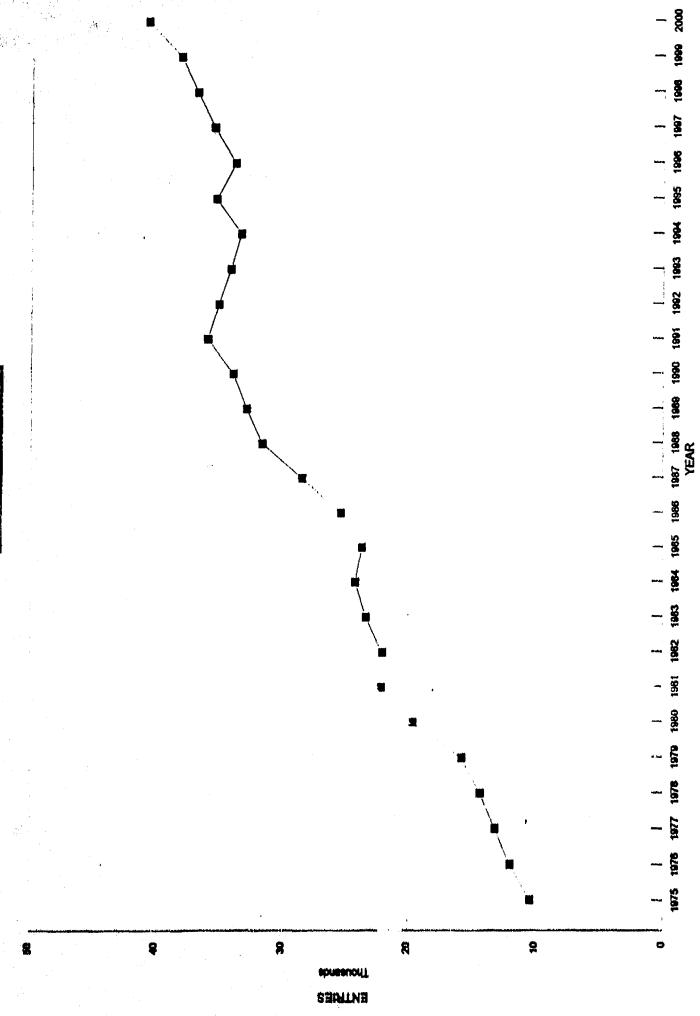
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4H & FFA NUMBERS BY COUNTY 2000

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2	BARNES	Ö	201
3	BENSON	251	206
4	FT. BERTHOLD	0	5
5	BOTTINEAU	474	248
6	BOWMAN	309	31
7	BURKE	30	325
8	BURLEIGH	624	287
9	CASS CAVALIER	485 0	813 203
10 11	DICKEY	0	143
12	DIVIDE	297	93
13	DUNN	98	194
14	EDDY	Ó	122
15	EMMONS	0	244
16	FOSTER	348	226
17	GOLDEN VALLEY	4	0
18	GRAND FORKS	36	385
19	GRANT	89	11
20	GRIGGS	0	118
21	HETTINGER	64	127
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25	MCHENRY	2105	660
26	MCINTOSH	0	13
27	MCKENZIE	121	372
28	MCLEAN	766	631
29	MERCER	933	298
30	MORTON	719	144
31	MOUNTRAIL	358	421
32	NELSON	0	209
33	OLIVER	380	51
34	PEMBINA PIERCE	0 167	342 83
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3 0	RANSOM	152	94
38	RENVILLE	156	154
39	RICHLAND	952	112
40	ROLETTE	119	230
41	SARGENT	0	58
42	SHERIDAN	12	111
43	SIOUX	0	0
44	SLOPE	0	12
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2. Capital Improvement Loan Assistance - \$210,000

A. On December 14, 1984, State Fair arranged to borrow \$1,569,420 from the Bank of North Dakota for an addition to the All Seasons Arena, to be used for State Fair's stock shows and as an events center.

This loan was secured with pledges:

City of Minot	\$ 466,717.58
Private Fund Drive	\$ 475,538.20
County of Ward	\$ 344,699.94
Fair	\$ 266,628.40
Project Funds	\$ 189,427.30
Hockey Boosters	\$ 375,973.55
	\$2,118,984.97

Term - 6% for five years

- B. A request from State Fair to North Dakota legislators for funding during the next Legislative Session for the Cultural Exhibit Building was denied. However, funding was provided by allowing the Fair to extend its five-year loan to 20 years, further allowing the pledge money to generate interest income until needed. The new loan for \$4,570,000 included the existing Arena addition, and a new Cultural Building.
- C. Several private pledges, most significantly the Hockey Boosters, failed to be completed. The City, County, Fair pledges and some of the private pledges were paid in full.
- D. In July of 1990, State Fair and its bonds council determined that refinancing would be necessary to cover the failed pledges.
- E. In January 1991, State Fair brought its concerns before the Governor's office while the Senate's Appropriations Committee held up its hearing on State Fair's budget. It was decided that the Fair's next step should be to ask the Bank of North Dakota to restructure its loan.
- F. In August of 1991, the Bank of North Dakota provided State Fair with a letter of credit enabling State Fair to bond for \$3.7 million. The Bank of North Dakota did not charge the Fair interest on its account while the details of this bond were being arranged. State Fair paid nearly \$1 million from cash on hand to the Bank of North Dakota to reduce the debt and signed a \$3.7 million bond. The Bank of North Dakota forgave the Fair the interim interest in return for \$1 million cash and \$3.7 million from the bond sale.

- G. State Fair now faces \$1.2 million in additional debts as it covers the failed pledges from fair income.
- H. State Fair has since refinanced this bond issue to secure a better rate of interest.
- I. State Fair's ability to pay the \$660,000/biennium payment on the bond depends upon the continuation of the State's commitment to the continuation of a \$210,000/biennium appropriation.

3. Asphalt Repair-\$350,000

- A. The State Fair has spent in excess of \$740,200 plus interest to hard surface the Fair's internal roadways and exhibit areas.
- B. State Fair has also spent \$403,000 on developing graveled parking areas west, north, and cust.
- C. State Fair's cost to repair asphalt surface within the fairgrounds was \$125,000 for 1996, \$90,000 for 1997, \$35,750 for 1998, \$41,250 for 1999, and \$9,000 for 2000.
- D. Many of the paved surfaces on the fairgrounds are over 20 years old.
- E. The Fair's asphalt surfaces need to be sealed to prevent further deterioration.

4. Grandstand Request-\$6 million

- A. State Fair informed OMB and its state legislators that the grandstand will some day need to be replaced.
- B. The grandstand is the hub of State Fair's entertainment.
- C. The structure shows its age and is less than adequate in terms of service and size.
- D. State Fair's grandstand is in need of annual repairs as oxidation takes its toll on the metal decking. The Ward County Fair Board built this facility for the Northwest Agricultural Fair. It was not sized to meet the needs of a State Fair operation. The State of North Dakota bought this facility from the County of Ward along with the land and support facilities for \$1.00 in 1965.

E. A new grandstand that would provide seating for 10 to 11,000 Fairgoers. Along with restrooms and concession areas this facility will cost \$5.4 million.

5. Natural Resources Center Request-\$530,000

- A. State Fair has begun to provide a setting similar to that used at other State Fairs where natural resources, tourism, game and fish, federal wildlife, parks and recreation, conservation programs and other such environmental issues such as recycling can be properly promoted.
- B. The area is being built around the pond along with a special exhibit area.
- C. Environmental issues and natural resources at our State Fair have not been given proper recognition. With the green earth movement in full swing, State Fair has been asked to provide an adequate promotional area for enhancing tourism and supporting North Dakota's resources.
- D. State Fair has sponsored a Fur Trader Rendezvous for the past 5 years, just north of the pond. These pioneer traditionalists provide a historic setting while doing educational demonstrations.
- E. The Flickertail area was reduced in size to make room for a cooperative venture with the North Dakota Game and Fish Department in the south side of the pond. Over 1,000 children per day were taught to fish during peak times at State Fair. Fishing skills were put to practice at the pond while young sportsmen spent time at the pellet gun range.
- F. This proposed appropriation of \$530,000 would be offered on a match basis with departments involved in conservation and public education.

MAJOR CONCERNS

- 1. To provide for our exhibitors in terms of facilities, services, and awards.
- 2. To provide for the Fairgoers in terms of safety, comfort, and good experiences.

Our major concerns can be further summarized by simply acknowledging that our costs of providing services continue to grow.

As the youngest State Fair we continue to play catch up. Other fairs across the nation have been building and preparing for the 1990's for over 100 years in terms of land, parking, and buildings. As we approach our 36th Fair, we feel good about what we are and how we look.

The 1992 Master plan re-emphasizes the needs we've already addressed, while indicating that what's been built fits and works.

State Fair includes a sketch of what we hope your fairgrounds might some day look like as we prepare to meet the needs of our State Fair visitors.

State Fair is a bonafide service agency; we provide services to North Dakota's people. Yet, our bottom line has been criticized when we did not fund our depreciation on gifts and appropriated facilities.

State Fair is often seen as being nearly all State funded, even by some legislators. We believe State Government profits because of State Fair. I've been told that our \$1.3 million estimated return to State Government annually because of State Fair is low; unfortunately we have trouble proving more.

The last OMB report indicated that State Fair was 100% state funded, instead of 7.8%. Legislators and fair friends have been told that State Fair received a greater appropriation for awards for children than they asked for, because OMB would only print the governor's mandate. I need your help to see that an accurate story is told.

I wish to invite each of you to attend the 2001 State Fair. I want you to see and experience first hand the good that we do through State Fair. We are grateful for the support we've received. We understand that every state agency tells the appropriations committee a wonderful story. Maybe I don't do that well enough, so please come and see, talk to the families, feel our pride, ask us questions, demand good answers, and enjoy the Fair in 2001.



SUMMARY

Your North Dakota State Fair has surpassed all expectations in terms of what a North Dakota State Fair might be and what it means to the people of our State.

Thirty-five years ago North Dakota leaders had a vision that's come true. We shall never have the biggest State Fair because the population is not here, but we are a first class showplace. We can lure people to North Dakota and we can help keep our young people excited about living in North Dakota.

For every dollar expended by State Government for capital improvements at this Fair, they've received a \$5.00 match. When we complete our expansion project, paid for by a Minot sales tax, the match will increase to \$7 for every one dollar expended on capital improvements by the State of North Dakota. I believe it's time to admit State Fair has proven itself. With your help we are paying off the remaining three million dollar debt for capital improvements one Fair at a time.

If I thought that someone could legitimately criticize our State Legislators, the Fair directors, staff or the Minot community concerning the growth, priorities or successes of our State Fair, I'd probably be less enthusiastic.

State Fair takes great pride in these past 35 years. We believe that together we will continue to be a positive influence on the promotion of North Dakota and the motivation of its people.

Thanks,

Jerry Iverson

Minot CVB

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From Marsha

January 9, 2001

Senate Appropriations Committee

As Executive Director of the Minot Convention Bureau I would like to thank the state for its financial support for prizes for past ND State Fairs and request your consideration of an increase in this funding to support the outstanding increase in exhibits, especially 4-H and FHA, which the ND State Fair has experienced.

The ND State Fair offers the residents of ND an opportunity to shine and share its skills and accomplishments. It supports and enhances family values.

An increase in exhibits is something the entire state can be proud of! Increasing the States financial support for prizes to match the increase in exhibits is something the State should proudly consider! It offers the state an opportunity to share its pride in the citizens of ND and thank them for their efforts and strong values we instill in pur families.

Again, thank you for the States past support and its considerations to continue to support the state of ND through its support of the ND State Fair.

Sincerely.

Marsha Dupro'
Executive Director

Minot CVB

ND is in the middle of everywhere!

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STATE FAIR SENATE BILL 2009

Representative Wentz and members of the North Dakota State House Appropriations Committee, thank you for this opportunity to tell the North Dakota State Fair story.

This packet includes two reports; the first is an overview and report on the 2000 Fair, the second report reviews our budget request and special needs.

Please note that our agency was not allowed to submit for an increase. The budget recommendation provided for the \$210,000 capital improvement loan assistance and \$340,000 for prizes from the general fund. The budget also included \$20,000 from special funds, (Fair income) for prizes. That description would lead you to believe that State Fair provides only 4% of the revenue for its operations. The total budget for our operations for 2001-2003 will approach \$7.4 million. The State Fair and its friends provide 93% of the revenues.

State Fair asks that you give favorable consideration to our request for \$400,000 for prizes from the State's general fund for this next biennium and that you continue the \$210,000 appropriation that is tied to State Fair's capital improvement loan. (Was originally \$4,570,000, now paid down to \$2,345,000 as of 10-1-00).

We are pleased to note that the Senate approved an additional \$25,000 for prizes for our exhibitors. State Fair will use those dollars to provide increases for youth programs. Please support SB 2009 as approved by the Senate.

Your review of State Fair capital improvement projects as listed for your consideration would be greatly appreciated. Our deteriorating asphalt becomes a greater priority each year.

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Before I review the reports with you, I wish to note that the State Fair does reach out for assistance from others. While admissions, fees, and rents represent the majority of our income, we have received over \$7 million for capital improvements from a 1% City of Minot sales tax during this past biennium. Private businesses from across our State provided over \$270,000 in sponsorships for the 2000 Fair, while the City of Minot provides a 1% motel tax for the maintenance of the State Fair Center at nearly \$100,000 per year. In addition, the County of Ward provides the State Fair with \$200,000 each year for maintenance and facility enhancements. The State Fair also receives \$70,000 in promotions in exchange for grandstand ticket trade outs.

I believe that this \$640,000 annual commitment to our Fair from non-state sources tells a wonderful story. I do not believe that any Fair, anywhere, receives that percent of their budget from the friends of their Fair.

Representative Wentz and members of the House Appropriations Committee, I wish to quickly review the Fair reports, direct your attention to the exhibitor's handbooks, and let our Fair Friends tell their story. If time permits, we do have a State Fair 2000 video that I would like to show.



Minot, North Dakota

2000

July 21 - July 29



FFA Activities & Premium List



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4-H Division Exhibit List

July 21-29, 2000

Minot, ND

CONTACT STATE FAIR FOR COPY

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Mr. Chairman and the members of the Appriations Committee:

I am Michelle Kraft from the North Country 4-H Club and I proudly represent 4-H in North Dakota. I have been an active 4-H member for over 5 years and have participated at the North Dakota State Fair for 2 years. I have been honored to receive Champion Duck, Champion Chicken, and top in Showmanship at the state level. The fair has been a great learning experience and the judges have been fantastic. This past November I had taken my knowledge of poultry and skills of showmanship at the state level one step further. I traveled to Columbus Ohio with my ducks and chickens to compete there at the National Poultry Show, in which I did well. I believe that participating at the NDSF prepared me to compete at a national level. But as with any other trip or show it costs money and it has become very difficult to pay for expenses with low premiums. I know for a fact that has deterred from people participating. Many people including myself can barely afford to pay for the travel and accommodation expenses of the State Fair and the premiums you receive even championships don't cover them. I understand that other animals are a little more expensive to raise than poultry, but please keep in mind that you have the same expenses traveling to the State Fair to show no matter what the species. I would like to thank you for your support and hope you would continue it in years to come. Please consider my plea to raise premiums and to increase participation at the State Fair.

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Do you have any questions?

Thank you

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Mr. Chairman and Members of the Senate Appropriations Committee: Good morning, My name is Jerry Buckley. I am a member of the North Country 4-H club in Morton County, Mandan North Dakota. I have exhibited sheep for the past five years in the 4-H Division at the North Dakota State Fair. I exhibit registered Hampshire Breeding Sheep and Crossbred Market Lambs. I like showing market lambs better because they are more fun to work with and they are a lot less work. They don't take as much time to wash or trim because they have very little wool. I use the electric clippers to trim off all of their wool; as compared to breeding sheep. I have to use the hand shears so they look smooth. I usually purchase four to six market lambs every year for an average price of about \$250 each. I buy 1 breading ewe a year. With the premium money I receive I am putting it in the bank for college unless my mom and dad make me buy more sheep.

Raising and exhibiting sheep has taught me that sheep take a lot of work and dedication. I have learned how to give a shot, and treat diseases like ringworm, pinkeye, and sore mouth. In addition I have learned that lamb tastes very good.

I feel that it is important for kids to exhibit at the North Dakota State Fair because you get to meet lots of fun people, see lots of good livestock, and have fun. Seeing the livestock at the fair has helped me with my livestock judging.

Mr. Chairman, and members of the committee, I would like to ask you to approve the requested budget amount by the North Dakota State Fair for premiums in 4-H and FFA projects.

Thank you. Do you have any questions?

Jerry Buckley

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Hello. My name is Devon Mack. I am a sophomore in high school and an active member of the Scranton FFA chapter and the State Line Lads and Lassies 4-H Club.

I have participated in the North Dakota State Fair for 4 years as a 4-H and FFA member. During these years, I have taken swine, sheep, woodworking, crop samples, and educational posters. While at the State Fair, my family and I stay for about 5 days and enjoy viewing the historical sites, parades, educational booths, concerts, and, of course, the rides. My family enjoys the time we spend with each other and the fun and hard work we put into it. Meeting new people from around the state and learning about their part of North Dakota is also very interesting for me as well as others to learn.

While at the State Fair, I have also gained many valuable leadership qualities, like the responsibility of

taking care of my animals. Getting up at 5:00 in the morning isn't my idea of how I want to spend my summer vacation, but after I'm done cleaning the pens and caring for my animals, I am proud to have the judges, advisors, 4-H members, FFA members, and the visitors of the fair to walk by and look at my livestock exhibit.

I feel the premiums are a real important asset to the State Fair participants. They not only give the participants an incentive to bring and show their animals at the fair, but it gives them the chance to earn some money back, which could help to cover their feed, supplies, and traveling costs. I believe that keeping the premiums support from the State Legislature is important for my generation and the generations to come so that they can have the learning experience, enjoy the North Dakota State Fair, and be

involved in educational agriculture organizations such as FFA and 4-H such as myself.

In conclusion, I feel that attending and participating in the North Dakota State Fair was a very valuable and worthwhile experience for me and I would like the future generations to have as much enjoyment as myself.

Someday, when I have a family, I would love to take them to the North Dakota State Fair. Without the help of your funding, it would not be possible for me to do so. Thank you for your time and support.

50 2009 Chusty Kronbug ND 4- H Ambressador My Chairman of Mensers of the Senate Approp. Comm. Legranded parents I enrolled in 4-H that year. My 1st projects New Simple things like bottomy Be ABetter Baker and Jiffy Sewing. That 1st year I had to explain to the judges how I had baked my peaned butter Cookies and sewn my near orange shorts. Eventhough I was shy, my interviews went fine because I had learned a lot that I wanted to share. I got 3 purple. ribbons that year on top of receiving blue ribbons on everything else. What a rush for a shy & grold. My later experiences were just as exciting from. When I was 10 I entered in my 1st speech contest. With a Stomach of buther Sliss and a service (asl of stage big ht I boldly Styppedup to the podium, unsure of whether I'd make it or not: But I did . I got 2nd place that year. It felt good even though there were only 20% is in the when I was 13. It My country, Dickey Co., sent me to the State fair showcase event. I had sun jean Shorts and matching top that had won 1st place. I had to go all the way Jup to limit, meet all new people and model my out tit in front of a very la crowd. Eventhough each I made it through the day newfriends + practicing, my interviewing JKills. I come back to the fair nany times after that yor for.

Consumer Choices, Horse Judging and Froject Expo, and later to volunteer after to had been accepted as a ND 4- H Ambussador. Even-though each of these 5kps 100Ks easy enough from where I am standing now, they were important & monstains forme tockinds. Each conquest or & die of allere helped me with other my life while traveling a fift representative in the Republic of 25toni the Ping helped me choose the right college + succeed it a collegitto level. They helped me get an internship of the NDDA in marketing which led he again to the state this in 2000 to plan Pride of Dakota Day. I made a fall arde-first come Jowe this success largely to 4 H experience on and I will festify that the state fair, has been The Catalyst of my siccession 4th.
The State fair is the height of competition. the last level for the best some of the best yorthin ND. They deserve our Snysport and Umre of d.

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Thankyon for making these experiences passible It is guest to see that ND tokes puts inagy into helping youth growinto leaders rather than telying on a reactive approach. I hope that this committee continues to see the vast value of dollars supporting youth before they development outside The dollar of youth correctional ficilities. One dollar of money spe given to programs like 4-Hand FFA will definitely stretch further than adollar used to correct a problem that could have been avoided. Not only do the youth participating in State fain events learn a great deal about office project or their cortest, they learn about themselves, thereeople they work with + their community. The adults helping them, learn just as much, Theyoth of Done theory who buft. The yorth participating in the State Tain are on future leaders, if only me Continue to support them, they will tout we elizare on fature.

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