

# PERSPECTIVE

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## OKFB member appointed to AFBF YF&R committee

American Farm Bureau recently appointed Ottawa County Farm Bureau member Alisen Anderson to the AFBF Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee.

Anderson will serve a two-year term beginning in February 2022. She will be serving on the 16-member committee to assist in the coordination of YF&R events, competitive events and the Harvest for All program.

“We are honored to have Alisen selected to serve on the YF&R committee and represent Oklahoma’s farmers and ranchers,” said Rodd Moesel, Oklahoma Farm Bureau president. “She continues to be a great asset for our state, and we cannot wait to see the impact she will make on the state and national organization.”

Anderson alongside her husband, Jared, own and operate Anders Farms near Miami, where they grow corn, wheat and soybeans. They also manage and operate their family ranch of 500 commercial cattle as they raise their three children, Grace, Colton and Piper.

“This opportunity to serve on the committee is one of

the greatest honors in my personal and professional life,” Anderson said. “I am excited to give back to fellow farmers and ranchers who are feeding our world. I am thankful OKFB and AFBF granting me this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity of service.”

Anderson also works an agriculture instructor at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College in Miami, where she helped establish the NEO Collegiate Farm Bureau chapter. The chapter offers students an opportunity to discover the diversity of the agriculture industry, develop leadership skills and give back to the community.

“Alisen’s selection to serve on the YF&R committee is a testament to the job she does in the classroom, in our community, and across the state,” said Kyle Stafford, NEO president. “She is a tireless advocate in developing the next generation of agricultural leaders. I appreciate AFBF for recognizing her efforts and the impact she has made in the agriculture community.”

## OKFB Foundation accepting donations for Kentucky producers



Following the Dec. 10 tornadoes, the Oklahoma Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture is currently collecting donations for Kentucky farmers and ranchers impacted.

Four tornadoes touched down in Kentucky with one traveling over 200 miles destroying and damaging houses and farms, leaving roads impassable.

Gov. Andy Beshear of Kentucky stated the storms were the most devastating tornado event in state history and declared a state of emergency.

The foundation encourages county organizations to donate to the cause, and

the OKFB Foundation for Agriculture will match the donation up to \$100.

All donations collected will be sent to Kentucky Farm Bureau to assist their efforts in aiding Farm Bureau members in need through their KFB for Kentucky Relief Fund.

Donations can be mailed to OKFB Foundation for Agriculture, 2501 N Stiles, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or can be made online at [okfbfoundationforagriculture.org/donate](https://okfbfoundationforagriculture.org/donate).

For more information, contact Holly Carroll at (405) 523-2300.

## Register to virtually attend 2022 AFBF Convention in Atlanta

With the American Farm Bureau Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, Jan. 7-12 just around the corner, there is still time left for Oklahoma Farm Bureau members to register to attend the event virtually.

Members will have the chance to tune in for a variety of workshops and sessions from the comfort of home, in a tractor or a watch party at a county Farm Bureau office.

Just a few of the workshops available to attend virtually include impacts seen by continued droughts in the west, updates on H-2A employees, trade of American agriculture and so much more.

For a full schedule of the virtual sessions and to register, visit [okfb.news/AFBF22](https://okfb.news/AFBF22). Registration to attend virtually is \$25.



## Grow during inaugural Generation Bridge Conference

The 2022 Generation Bridge Winter Conference Jan. 28-29 is an opportunity for Oklahoma Farm Bureau members ages 35-50 looking to network, grow their professional and leadership skills and learn more about the industry.

Attendees will gather Friday evening at Cattlemen's Special Event Center and Saturday will feature a public policy update, breakout sessions and more.

Visit [okfb.news/BridgeConf22](https://okfb.news/BridgeConf22) to register today.





# COUNTIES SAW MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

## OKFB reaches membership quota

**R**ecently recognized by American Farm Bureau President Zippy Duvall as one of 20 state organizations

that grew their membership in 2021, Oklahoma Farm Bureau saw growth in 39 counties, including:

**Dist. 1**

- Beaver County
- Ellis County
- Texas County
- Woodward County

- Jefferson County
- Johnston County
- Love County
- Marshall County
- Stephens County

- Rogers County
- Wagoner County

**Dist. 7**

- Woods County
- Major County

**Dist. 8**

- Cleveland County
- Garvin County
- McClain County

**Dist. 9**

- Creek County
- Lincoln County
- Okmulgee County
- Payne County
- Washington County

**Dist. 2**

- Beckham County
- Custer County
- Greer County
- Harmon County
- Jackson County
- Roger Mills County
- Tillman County

**Dist. 5**

- Choctaw County
- Latimer County
- McCurtain County
- Pushmataha County

**Dist. 6**

- Adair County
- Cherokee County
- Delaware County
- Nowata County
- Ottawa County

**Dist. 4**

- Comanche County
- Cotton County

## Farmers struggle with skyrocketing fertilizer prices

**F**ertilizer prices continue to skyrocket, as much as 300% in some areas, as farmers grapple with increased costs as they prepare for the 2022 growing season. The American Farm Bureau Federation's latest Market Intel examines the short- and long-term factors impacting fertilizer supply and demand.

Farm Bureau economists found several elements are contributing to record-high prices including:

- increased prices for raw nutrients including nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium;
- increased global fertilizer demand;
- increased energy costs;
- distribution and supply chain disruptions; and
- trade duties.

The Market Intel found that compared to September 2020 prices, ammonia has increased over 210%, liquid nitrogen has increased over 159%, urea is up 155%, and monoammonium phosphate (MAP) has increased 125%, while diammonium phosphate (DAP) is up over 100%.



## Stay up to date with OKFB events and activities in 2022

**A**s we enter a new year, stay up to date with all of Oklahoma Farm Bureau's activities from Young Farmers and Ranchers and Women's Leadership Committee activities to statewide events. Check out [okfb.news/calendar](https://okfb.news/calendar) for the latest events.

- Jan. 7-12** - 2022 AFBF Convention; *Atlanta, GA*
- Jan. 28-29** - Generation Bridge Conference Winter; *OKC, OK*
- Feb. 1** - YF&R scholarship deadline
- Feb. 15** - State Leadership Conference; *OKC, OK*
- Feb. 15-16** - YF&R Legislative Day at the Capitol; *OKC, OK*
- March 28-31** - Congressional Action Tour; *Washington, D.C.*
- May 4-6** - OKFB Ag Tour; *East central Oklahoma* \*(formerly Commodity Tour)
- June 14-17** - Oklahoma Youth Leading Agriculture; *OKC, OK*
- July 29-30** - YF&R State Summer Conference; *Enid, OK*
- Aug. 27** - YF&R Shotgun Shoot; *Guthrie, OK*
- Oct. 18-19** - State Resolutions Meeting; *OKC, OK*
- Nov. 11-13** - OKFB Annual Meeting; *Norman, OK*

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