

Grundy County Farmer Supports 4-H Through Donation **News**

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Local farmer John Urich has directed a \$2,500 donation to the Laredo Busy Bees 4-H. Funded by America's Farmers Grow Communities, the donation will help the group sponsor a youth field day, where local fifth graders can learn about beef, dairy, corn, and soybeans.



Thanks to the support of farmers across the country, more than \$3.2 million is being directed to nonprofits in 1,289 counties in 39 states.

"The 4-H is a good organization for the young people in our community because it teaches them about agriculture as well as teaches them values," said Urich.

America's Farmers Grow Communities works directly with farmers to support nonprofit organizations like the Laredo Busy Bees 4-H, who are doing important work in their communities. The program offers farmers the chance to win \$2,500, which is then donated to the farmer's nonprofit of choice. The search for funding to sustain and enhance programs is a year-round job for nonprofit organizations across the country. Through America's Farmers Grow Communities, farmers have been able to support a variety of groups, such as schools, fire departments, community centers and youth organizations like 4-H and FFA.

America's Farmers Grow Communities launched in 2010, and has since donated over \$16 million to more than 6,500 nonprofit organizations across the country. America's Farmers Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, is part of the America's Farmers initiative, which highlights and celebrates the important contributions of farmers like John Urich.