Join Us As a Catalyst for Pennsylvania’s Dairy Industry

The Center for Dairy Excellence is focused on serving the Pennsylvania dairy industry. Our role is to foster collaboration and opportunity across all sectors, while helping individual dairy farm families thrive in the Commonwealth. Even with the current challenges that exist, we believe tremendous opportunities exist both for our industry and for the individual dairy farm businesses that make up the fabric of Pennsylvania’s rural communities.

The Center continues to make a real difference across Pennsylvania’s dairy industry and on thousands of farms and industry related businesses. It is a shining example of a public-private partnership, with funds from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture serving as seed money to support efforts to strengthen both individual farms and the industry. When producers are looking to their future, we can bring industry consultants around the table. When dairy processors and companies look to their future, we serve as a resource in helping them find opportunities within Pennsylvania.

While 60 percent of our funds come from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Ag Excellence initiative, we rely on the other 40 percent to come from the Allies for Advancement program, competitive grants and other sources. Organizations providing financial support to the Center through the Allies for Advancement Program demonstrate their interest in collaborating to ensure dairy remains strong and growing in Pennsylvania.

Become an Ally today! Join the Center for Dairy Excellence in empowering Pennsylvania’s dairy industry and its individual dairy farm families.

EMPOWERING PEOPLE • CREATING PARTNERSHIPS • COORDINATING RESOURCES TO INCREASE PROFITABILITY FOR PENNSYLVANIA’S DAIRY INDUSTRY • IT’S OUR PASSION AND OUR PURPOSE.

Meet the Center Board and Staff

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The Center for Dairy Excellence Board of Directors represents a cross section of the industry, bringing together insight to strengthen the Center’s efforts. Serving on the board in 2019-20 was Mark Mosemann, Phoebe Bitler, Andrea Kamis, Michael Hosterman, Jeff Ainslie, Robin Breeding, Tony Brubaker, Dr. Jody Kull, Steve Paxton, Jessica Slaymaker, Chuck Turner, Caroline Zimmerman, Glenn Gorrell, Diane Hartman, Amber Yutzy, Representative Mark Keller, and Secretary Russell Redding.

An investment in the Center for Dairy Excellence’s Allies for Advancement Program demonstrates your organization’s commitment to Pennsylvania’s dairy industry and the farm businesses that are part of it. Allies funds complement public dollars to focus on resources that bolster the statewide dairy industry and provide direct support to individual dairy farm families.

Specifically, the Center for Dairy Excellence:

2. Facilitates Industry Collaboration to Support Reinvestment, Growth and Transformation Across All Segments.
4. Champions Dairy With Key Leaders and Decision Makers within the Commonwealth.

AgChoice and MidAtlantic Farm Credit are focused on building stronger customers, ag businesses and communities. Our success in accomplishing that mission is fueled by partnering with organizations such as the Center for Dairy Excellence as they strive to grow and improve the profitability of Pennsylvania’s dairy industry. As an Ally for Advancement, Farm Credit can help the Center make an impact in the lives of individual dairy farm families, dairy support businesses and our rural communities.

Darrell Curtis, AgChoice President & CEO and Tom Truitt, MidAtlantic Farm Credit, President & CEO
Benefits Available

• Starting as a Friend of the Center for Dairy Excellence level, your organization receives recognition on our website and at events, as well as the ability to receive the CDE e-bulletin, and monthly Markets & Management Update.

• Those who support the Center at the Bronze level have the opportunity to have Center staff join your team for meetings, organizational functions, or customer visits to provide insight on dairy resources and risk management planning. Discounts to the Center’s educational events (excluding the Dairy Summit) are also available to Allies at or above the Bronze level.

• Silver level partnerships allow for logos to be placed on a Center page placed in either the Farmshine or Lancaster Farming four times per year, along with all other benefits mentioned.

• Gold level will receive all opportunities available, as well as the ability to showcase a program or producer’s best management practices of your choice in one of the Center’s pages in a dairy publication.

Make a contribution online:
Visit centerfordairyexcellence.org/allies

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Allies Level of Commitment

We will commit $________________

___ Gold ($10,000 or more) ___ Bronze ($1,000 - $4,999)
___ Silver ($5,000 - $9,999) ___ Friend of the Center for Dairy Excellence ($500 - $999)

Authorization

Name and Title of Authorizing Agent: ____________________________

Signature of Authorizing Agent: ____________________________

Method of Payment:

___ Check or Money Order Enclosed ___ Please Invoice Us

___ We would like to pay in installments. (Indicate date of first installment: ) ___/___/___

___ Monthly Installments ___ Quarterly Installments

___ Semi-Annual Installments ___ We would like to pay through PayPal

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The Center’s Reach By The Numbers

Individual Farms with Direct Support through Teams and Consulting Grants

1,600 FARMS

Students through Educational Resources, Scholarships and Internships Offered by Foundation

MORE THAN 100,000 SINCE 2010

Producers, Industry Leaders and Others through Market Information and Resources Provided at Meetings and through Columns

MORE THAN 124,000 ANNUALLY

Industry Leaders, Public Officials and Other Stakeholders through Individual Conversations, Meetings, and Other Outreach

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* This description may be used in promotional pieces and collateral about the Allies program.