DATE: June 20, 2019
TO: County Farm Bureau Presidents
    County Farm Bureau Offices
FROM: Ruth Meirick, Director
RE: Donation Items for Foundation Auction at the 2019 MFBF Annual Meeting

Congratulations to all the county Farm Bureau leaders and Farm Bureau Federations who helped raise over $15,000 at last year’s Farm Bureau Foundation Auction. A large portion of these funds were used to support Ag in the Classroom programming and help enhance and build Farm Bureau’s Promotion & Education, Young Farmers & Ranchers, Safety, the Al Christopherson Scholarship Fund and the Paul Stark Memorial Scholarship Fund.

It has been tradition to ask counties on a rotating basis to support this event that benefits both Farm Bureau programs and communities around the state of Minnesota. This year, we are seeking auction item donations from the counties of Aitkin/Carlton through McLeod. We ask that items have a value of $75 or greater.

The auction will be on Friday, November 22 and will begin at 7:00 p.m. or immediately following the Awards Banquet that evening. We ask that items either be delivered to our office by November 8 or to the Foundation booth at the Annual Meeting no later than 2 p.m. on Friday, November 22. To encourage bidding, it’s best to have the items at the booth as early as possible for people to view. **ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 3:30 p.m. WILL ONLY BE INCLUDED IN A SEPARATE FUNDRAISER.** Please attach a label to the item with your county’s name, value of item and a brief item description for identification. Please email a photo of your item to rachael.rostad@fbmn.org.

To donate an item, please use the form below and report your auction item(s) by November 1 to receive pre-auction publicity. Thank you for all that you do to help support the MN Farm Bureau Foundation Auction.

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**Minnesota Farm Bureau Auction Donation – Due November 1, 2019**

County Name: __________________________________________________________

Auction Item: __________________________________________________________

Item Value ($75 or more): ______________________________________________

Donated By: __________________________________________________________

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**Return donation slip to Rachael Peterson at:**
MFB Foundation, PO Box 64370, St. Paul, MN  55164 or email info to rachael.rostad@fbmn.org