# **The Farm Bureau Organization**

Farm Bureau is organized on three levels – local, state, and national. The county Farm Bureau is the very heart and strength of the organization. It is here that the members work together, as volunteers, in an effort to improve their professions. Seeking solutions to problems that affect their social and economic well being is the primary reason families join this general farm organization.

The county organization is much stronger than many members realize. Membership is driven by local efforts. The policy that Farm Bureau operates by is developed at the county level by active members who are concerned and interested in their organization. Activities are implemented statewide through efforts of county leaders. The more members that get actively involved, the stronger the organization becomes.

### **Farm Bureau Mission**

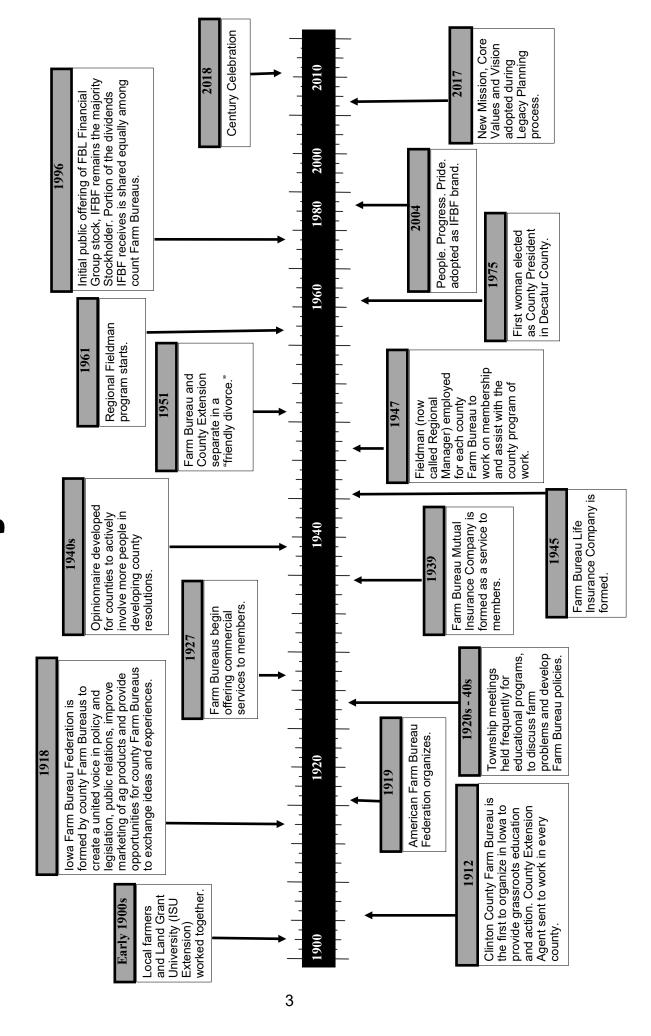
To create a vibrant future for agriculture, farm families and their communities.

## **Families join Farm Bureau for many reasons**



The Iowa Farm Bureau Federation (IFBF) is the statewide organization. IFBF is structured to support county Farm Bureau activities, assist with programming and solidify efforts to achieve the goals of the county Farm Bureaus. It is a moderately conservative organization, which forms its policies on a non-partisan basis and prefers to devote its time and energies toward positive positions. The American Farm Bureau has a similar role to the state, working at the national level.

# **A Brief History of Farm Bureau**





### **Mission**

To create a vibrant future for agriculture, farm families and their communities.

### **Core Values**

Integrity ~ Grassroots ~ Innovation

### **Vision**

Agriculture leading a growing and prosperous lowa.

### 2018 - 2022 Goals

- 1. Support long term viability of agriculture, entrepreneurs and rural communities
- 2. Build understanding of the value of lowa agriculture
- 3. Develop and engage the best agricultural leaders
- 4. Be the most influential policy advocacy organization in Iowa
- 5. Drive membership growth with increased emphasis on farmer members
- 6. Embrace technology to maximize member involvement and deliver efficient programming