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Dear Potential Sponsor:

I am writing on behalf of the Mahoning County Goat Club to seek your support in our efforts to make our goat program even better for our youth in Mahoning County. We are looking for donations toward the following:

AWARDS: The Goat Committee purchases plaques and awards which are donated to be given at the Junior Fair to recognize youth for their hard work. If you wish to be considered to donate to an award, please mark the response sheet and list the award you may wish to donate. We currently have returning sponsors each year but may have openings to accommodate your wishes.

<u>PEE WEE SHOW</u>: The Goat Committee will be offering a Pee Wee Show during the Junior Fair for youth ages 8 and under. Each child will be permitted to choose their own plush toy goat to show and will learn basics of showing a goat. Sponsorships will help with the cost of the plush goats and awards for the class.

<u>FUN SHOW AWARDS:</u> The Goat Committee helps organize a Fun Show in June as a practice opportunity for youth showing goats. If you would like to join in as a sponsor, mark the sheet accordingly.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS: During the year the Goat Committee offers various educational opportunities. If you would like to donate toward supplies and/or materials for these programs, mark the sheet accordingly. We would like to earn enough money to purchase an additional Goat Skillathon for use in our educational programs. **MARTHA THULLEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP:** See the Martha Thullen Scholarship letter and donation form to donate toward the Memorial Scholarship established for our youth taking goats.

We hope you will consider supporting our goat youth program. Each plaque/award sponsored is a \$25.00. Sponsorship for the Pee Wee Goat Showmanship is \$25. Any amount can be donated toward the fun show and/or educational programs. General donations will be used to make the best better for our youth in the goat program. If you would like to donate, mark the enclosed sponsor sheet. Please make the checks payable to the **Mahoning County Goat Club**. The Mahoning County Goat Club is a sub-committee of the Mahoning County Youth Agricultural Association, an official 501C3 which supports agriculture-based youth programs in Mahoning County. The monies donated to the Mahoning County Goat Club as a response to this letter will be used to purchase awards & supplies for the Mahoning County Goat Program, Fun Show and/or Junior Fair Show. All donations are tax deductible.

Our youth programs would not be successful without the support of individual sponsors. Just a reminder that the Junior Fair Show has moved to the south end of the Canfield Fairgrounds. We welcome you both to visit our new home at the south end of the fairgrounds. We look forward to your positive response.

We hope you will visit the Junior Fair Goat Show which will begin with the Market Goat Classes on Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. Goat Milk Fudge and Market Goats will be sold Thursday after 5:30 p.m. during the Market Livestock Sale. Dairy, Pygmy, Kinder, Nigerian and Specialty goats will be shown on Sunday in the Junior Event Center beginning at 10:00 a.m. Packing & Goat Carting Classes will be held Monday near the Event Center.

Again, THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!!!

Sincerely,

Mahoning County Goat Committee

Mahoning County Youth Agricultural Association