Our Vision:
No child would become ill, injured or die from farm, ranch and rural activities.

Our Mission:
Provide education, training and resources to make farm, ranch and rural life safer and healthier for children and their communities.

DONATE NOW to Send Another Child to a Progressive Agriculture Safety Day®

Did you know only $13 is all it takes to send another child to a Progressive Agriculture Safety Day®? A MODEST DONATION can have a BIG IMPACT on children in farming and rural communities near you. Make a safe investment by helping another child attend a Progressive Agriculture Safety Day® in his or her local community. Donating has never been easier, with three ways to give:

1. Text "SAFETYDAY" TO 41444 (this option does not work outside of the U.S.)
2. Visit our website and click the "Donate Now" button.
3. Send in your donation to Progressive Agriculture Foundation, P.O. Box 530425, Birmingham, AL 35253.

For 2018, nearly $1,100 has been raised from generous donations from the following individuals: Thomas "Skip" Hampton, Patrick Boggess, Deborah Kuball, Ben Westendorf, Jose Perez, Daniel Fauth, Eric Stickfort, Carolyn Sheridan, Christie Cain, Brittany Thompson, Robert Weber, Rachel Wall, Tami Kramer, Mary Howard, Amy Bland, Amy Reinberg and Sarah Reinberg. As we celebrate 25 years of Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® in 2019, our goal is to raise $25,000 through individual donations. Will you help us reach that goal? Stay tuned for upcoming social media contests.

With the holidays approaching, be sure to REMEMBER US on Giving Tuesday this November 27!

Progressive Agriculture Foundation Offers Regional Sponsorship Opportunities
As the Progressive Agriculture Foundation (PAF) strives to reach more youth through Progressive Agriculture Safety Days®, a new regional sponsorship approach has emerged. This new regional approach will target the upper mid-west region of the United States, as well as in British Columbia in Canada. The goal is to implement new Safety Days in rural communities across this region by utilizing the support and resources from local business and industry.

Regional sponsors will have an opportunity to identify volunteer coordinators to implement these brand-new Progressive Agriculture Safety Days®, as well as provide the funding needed to support the event in local communities. Regional sponsors will be provided a unique opportunity to work with PAF staff to ensure the successful implementation of new Safety Days targeted toward the youth who reside where sponsor employees live and work. This grass-roots approach provides the human resources through employee volunteers and financial resources through corporate donations to reach kids with valuable safety education in the region. As a thank-you to these regional sponsors, PAF will provide unique visibility opportunities through local media channels, event recognition and Facebook ads.

A special thank you to our 5-star sponsor, CHS, for taking the lead and becoming an inaugural regional partner with a $15,000 investment in growing the program in Minnesota, South Dakota and Wisconsin. To learn more about this new regional sponsorship opportunities, please contact one of our PAF Development Specialists, Cindy Lengel-Russ or Gary Templeman.

Vital Messages Delivered During 2018 National Farm Safety and Health Week

Kudos to the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety (NECAS), along with the U.S. Agricultural Safety and Health Centers, on spotlighting and delivering key messages during 2018 National Farm Safety and Health Week. This year, Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® helped deliver vital safety and health messages with the help of RFD-TV, KGLO Radio and FarmHer Podcast thanks to the support of our colleagues in the ag safety and health industry. Be sure to watch or take a listen:

- National Farm Safety and Health Week KGLO 1300 AM Radio Interview with Jana Davidson, Education Content Specialist of the Progressive Agriculture Foundation
- FarmHer's Shining Bright Podcast with Progressive Agriculture Foundation's CEO, Brian Kuhl, and Education Content Specialist, Jana Davidson
- Rural Roadway Safety RFD-TV Interview with Brian Kuhl, CEO of the Progressive Agriculture Foundation
- Mental Health/Suicide/Opioids RFD-TV Interview with Charlotte Halverson, Clinical Director of AgriSafe Network
- Children & Youth Safety and Health RFD-TV Interview with Brian Kuhl, CEO of the Progressive Agriculture Foundation
- Confined Spaces in Agriculture RFD-TV Interview with Dan Neenan, Director of the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety
- Tractor Safety RFD-TV Interview with Dr. Aaron Yoder, Associate Professor Department of Environmental, Agricultural & Occupational Health at the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Public Health
A special thank you to Nationwide, CHS, GROWMARK and Bayer for sponsoring this year's National Farm Safety and Health Week. In case you missed out, be sure to visit the NECAS website for valuable resources.

Ready, Set...Let's Train! 2019 Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® Coordinator Trainings Kick-Off in Manitoba

On October 3rd, the 2019 Progressive Agriculture Safety Day® Coordinator Training Season officially kicked-off in Winnipeg, Manitoba and will continue until February 21st when we hold our final webinar. In total, 28 face-to-face training sessions and five webinars will be offered for Safety Day Coordinators throughout North America during the 2019 training season. We are on target to train close to 500 lead coordinators, assistant coordinators and guests this coming year.

On July 24 & 25, the Annual Train-the-Trainer's Retreat was held in Council Bluffs, Iowa hosted by our sponsor, SIRE, LLC with additional support provided by our 5-star partner, Bunge. For the 2019 season, we welcome back the following trainers: Louis-Charles Boisvert, Glen Blahey, Jana Davidson, Julie & Scott Ferry, Bernard Geschke, Brian Kuhl, Shari & Dave Kuther, Dan Neenan and Sharry Nielsen.

Are you interested in attending one of our training sessions as a sponsor or guest? To register, please contact Sarah Pilgreen, Program Administrative Assistant, at spilgreen@progressiveag.org or 888-257-3529 Ext. 700. Here is a listing of our 2018-2019 training locations:

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January 10 Longueuil, Quebec
January 31 Chesterfield, Missouri
February 5 Hattiesburg, Mississippi
February 5 Owensboro, Kentucky
February 7 Lonoke, Arkansas
February 12 Ardmore, Oklahoma
February 14 Hereford, Texas

Attendees at the Winnipeg, Manitoba Training with trainers, Bernard Geschke and Glen Blahey. Front row from left to right: Lise Aquin (CN Police), Rob Gobiel (CASA) and Justina Hop. Back row from left to right: JoAnn Helgason, Andre Steppler and Gerald Book. A very special thank you to our sponsor, MacDon for hosting us, as well as SAFE Work Manitoba for providing training support.

Gearing Up for 2018 National FFA Convention & Expo

The 91st National FFA Convention & Expo held in Indianapolis, Indiana is quickly approaching on October 24-27, 2018. Again this year, Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® is proud to be part of the SAY Safety Area, which provides designated space aimed at highlighting efforts in agriculture safety and health. Joining Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® will be AgrAbility, AgriSafe Network, CareerSafe, Grain Handling Safety Coalition and the University of Illinois, National Children’s Center for Rural Agricultural Health and Safety, University of Nebraska Medical Center, and The Ohio State University. Our theme will be, "Make Safety A Reality & Don't Be A Fatality" and we will welcome visits from FFA members, FFA advisors, Ag teachers and parents from across the United States.

For 2018, Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® will highlight their recent project with University of Nebraska Medical Center Central States Center for Agricultural Safety and Health (CS-CASH), "Creating Enduring Resources for Farm Safety Education." This project highlights new digital resources helping aide in building farm safety and health props, as well as utilize the props to teach age-appropriate, hands-on activities and demonstrations.

On Thursday, October 25th, Progressive Agriculture Foundation staff will have the opportunity to present on this topic through one of the teacher workshops. A special thank you to our 5-star sponsor, CHS, for helping support costs associated with this speaking opportunity.
Glacier FarmMedia Promotes Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® Throughout Canada

The Canadian Agricultural Safety Association (CASA), along with Progressive Agriculture Foundation (PAF), is pleased to celebrate its partnership with Glacier FarmMedia and its publications Western Producer, Alberta Farmer Express, Manitoba Co-operator, Grainews Le Bulletin des agriculteurs and Farmtario. 2018 marks the third year that Glacier FarmMedia has supported CASA initiatives as a media sponsor, advertising and celebrating Progressive Agriculture Safety Days®.

Since 2002, CASA has been working with the Progressive Agriculture Foundation to support farm education for rural Canadian youth through Progressive Agriculture Safety Day events, reaching over 127,000 Canadian children and participants. "It is exciting to see the Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® continue to grow in Canada and we appreciate the support of Glacier Farm media in helping spread awareness of our program," says Brian Kuhl, Progressive Agriculture Foundation CEO. "Children safely living and working on farms allows them the opportunity to eventually raise their own children and grandchildren in that safe environment, which is what makes rural life great."

"We've heard from farmers that they prefer to receive safety information from organizations they have a relationship with, says Marcel Hacault, CASA's Executive Director. "Glacier FarmMedia's trusted ag publications are a great way to get CASA's program information to agricultural communities and to farmers."

Glacier FarmMedia's Western Producer, Alberta Farmer Express, Manitoba Co-operator, Grainews and Le Bulletin des agriculteurs feature advertisements for Progressive Agriculture Safety Days for a total value of $78,000 CAD. "Glacier FarmMedia believes everyone in the agricultural industry has a role in keeping farm families safe," says Farrah Wilson, Glacier FarmMedia's Sales & Marketing Co-ordinator. "We are pleased to support Progressive Agriculture Safety Days®."

For more on Glacier FarmMedia, go to [www.farmmedia.com](http://www.farmmedia.com)

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The holiday shopping season is almost upon us! Whether purchasing gifts for your family, friends or just picking up a little something for yourself, remember to shop with Amazon today and support local charities. For each $1 donated, Amazon will contribute up to $1 to local organizations. Let's come together and make a difference this holiday season!
go through AmazonSmile and give back to the Progressive Agriculture Foundation each time you shop on-line with Amazon.

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1. Go to https://smile.amazon.com/
2. Sign-in or create an account
3. Search & select "Progressive Agriculture Foundation," as your charitable organization
4. Start your shopping!

PAF Staff Stays Busy Traveling this Summer

The Progressive Agriculture Foundation staff has been busy this summer attending conferences, events and meetings held throughout North America over the past few months. Here are a few of them:

**June**

- Utility Public Safety Alliance Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado (Cindy Lengel-Russ)
- Sponsor Visits & Meetings in Minneapolis, Minnesota with AKE, Betaseed, CHS & Colle+McVoy (Brian Kuhl & Gary Templeman)
- Progressive Agriculture Safety Day in Albert Lea, Minnesota (Brian Kuhl & Gary Templeman)
- Sponsor Visits & Meetings in Des Moines, Iowa with Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, Farmers Mutual Hail Insurance, Rain and Hail (Gary Templeman)
- Visit with Collingsworth Family of Joshua Collingsworth Memorial Foundation in Lincoln, Nebraska (Brian Kuhl & Bernard Geschke)
- International Society for Agricultural Safety and Health (ISASH) Conference in Halifax, Nova Scotia (Brian Kuhl, Bernard Geschke & Jana Davidson)

**July**

- 2018 Grower Days in Idaho Falls, Idaho (Gary Templeman)
- 2018 Outdoor Retailer Summer Market Show in Denver, Colorado (Gary Templeman)
- Wisconsin Farm Technology Days 2018 in Marshfield, Wisconsin (Brian Kuhl & Bernard Geschke)
- Program Advisory Committee Meeting in Council Bluffs, Iowa (Brian Kuhl, Bernard Geschke, & Jana Davidson)
- 5th Annual Train-the-Trainer's Retreat in Council Bluffs, Iowa (Brian Kuhl, Bernard Geschke, Jana Davidson & Sarah Pilgreen)

**August**
Sponsor Visits & Meetings in St. Louis, Missouri with Bunge and Bayer (Brian Kuhl and Gary Templeman)
Child Agricultural Injury Prevention Workshop in Marshfield, Wisconsin (Brian Kuhl & Jana Davidson)
Farm Progress Show in Boone, Iowa (Brian Kuhl & Bernard Geschke)
Rotary Meeting in Russellville, Kentucky (Gary Templeman)

**September**

- Husker Harvest Days in Grand Island, Nebraska (Bernard Geschke)
- Progressive Agriculture Safety Day in Westport, Minnesota (Brian Kuhl)
- Canada's Outdoor Farm Show in Woodstock, Ontario (Gary Templeman)
- Asmark Institute in Owensboro, Kentucky (Brian Kuhl)

If you are interested in us participating in an agriculture safety and health event for your organization, please contact our Progressive Agriculture Foundation Chief Executive Officer, Brian Kuhl, at 888-257-3529 Ext. 701 or bkuhl@progressiveag.org.

**Farm Safety...There's An App For That!**

Our friends at the American Red Cross have teamed up with our 3-star sponsor, Bayer, to develop a First Aid app that puts expert advice for everyday emergencies at your fingertips. The app is unique as it covers topics specific to rural and farming communities including ATV safety, dust explosions, auger safety, tractor safety and grain bin safety to name a few. *Although developed by the American Red Cross, the app also works in Canada.*

The app is FREE and available for download from both the Apple App Store or Google Play for Android devices. **Get the app by texting "GETFIRST" to 90999.**

For more safety tips, be sure to stay connected with us via social media:

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