The following companies and organizations are participants in the Beef for Backpacks and Pork for Packs programs:

**Oklahoma Farming and Ranching Foundation**

The Oklahoma Farming and Ranching Foundation was formed as a 501(c)(3) non-profit to enhance awareness and understanding of agriculture’s contribution and importance to the state of Oklahoma.

From promoting and assisting beginning farmers and ranchers to educating youth interested in agricultural pursuits, the foundation creates agricultural awareness.

**Beef for Backpacks and Pork for Packs**

Feeding Oklahomans with our state’s bounty
The Beef for Backpacks and Pork for Packs programs use donated cattle and pigs to produce nutritious beef and pork sticks for the Food for Kids Programs at the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma and the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma.

The Beef for Backpacks and Pork for Packs programs are a collaboration among the Oklahoma Farming and Ranching Foundation, Oklahoma Farm Bureau, Oklahoma Beef Council, Oklahoma State University Food and Agricultural Products Center, the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, Ralph’s Meat Company in Perkins, Chickasha Meats, Oklahoma Cattlemen’s Association, Oklahoma Pork Council, and Oklahoma FFA.

To help sustain the Backpack Program, participants are asking producers to consider a commitment of at least one animal per year.

Your donation is tax deductible as a charitable donation to a 501(C)3 corporation, pursuant to IRS guidelines. Livestock donation receipt amounts will be based on USDA daily market price. A Livestock Owner/Donor Certificate must be completed to receive a donation receipt.

For more information on how to donate livestock, contact Thad Doye by phone at (405) 255-5316 or by email at thad.doye@okfb.com.

The Oklahoma Food Banks coordinate the Food for Kids Backpack Program to help supplement children’s diets when school lunch programs are unavailable. The Backpack Program provides a backpack of kid friendly, shelf-stable and nutritious food to sustain them over the weekends and school holidays. During the 2017-2018 school year, the Backpack Program served more than 35,000 chronically hungry elementary school students statewide.

Volunteers at the Oklahoma Food Banks fill sacks of nutritious food for the Backpack Program, which are handed out to chronically hungry elementary school children. Beef and Pork sticks supplied by program participants provide a valuable source of protein. The protein sticks are an integral part of the Backpack Program.

The Backpack Program accepts livestock and monetary donations. Working together, we can help provide hungry children in Oklahoma with an important protein source.

If you would like to support the Backpack Program, please complete this card and return it to:

Oklahoma Farming and Ranching Foundation
Attn: Chris Kidd
2501 N Stiles
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

I wish to donate ________ head of cattle to the Beef for Backpacks program.
I wish to donate ________ hog(s) to the Pork for Packs program.
I wish to make a monetary contribution of $_______ to help support the Backpack Program.

Name

Address

City

State

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(____)(____)(____)

Phone

Email