

## Building Bridges for Young Leaders

In 1996, Agriculture Future of America was created by the late R. Crosby Kemper Jr. and other Kansas City business leaders to provide scholarships and personal and professional development experiences for college students who had the passion and talent to become leaders for food and agriculture.

The businesses and individuals who supported AFA then and now, believe the best young leaders can find their places in agriculture and food and that partnering with AFA is investing in the future of this industry.

### Vision

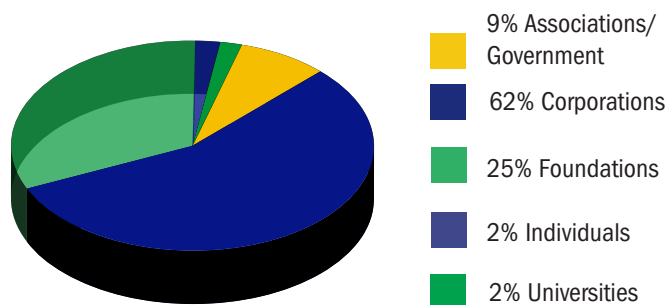
To be a catalyst in the preparation of a new generation of agriculture leaders

### Mission

To build bridges for young leaders to foster engagement and innovation in food and agriculture.

## Partnerships

Numerous communities, corporations, foundations, universities and individuals contribute to the success of the AFA leader development programs and services. A complete list of partners can be found at [www.agfuture.org/partners](http://www.agfuture.org/partners).



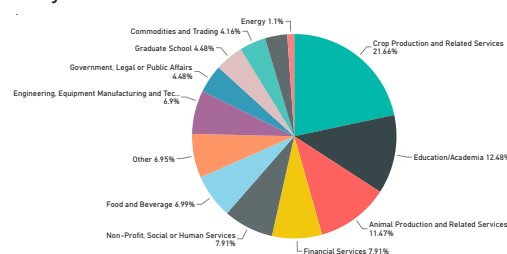
## Programs

Today, AFA focuses on relationship development, systems thinking, collaboration, cultural EQ, interpersonal IQ and career management. Learn more at [www.agfuture.org/competencies](http://www.agfuture.org/competencies).



## Alumni

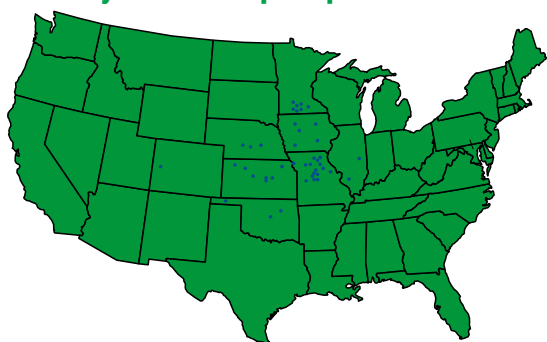
Over 80 percent of AFA alumni are in food and agriculture related careers today.





one application. two awards.

## Community scholarship map

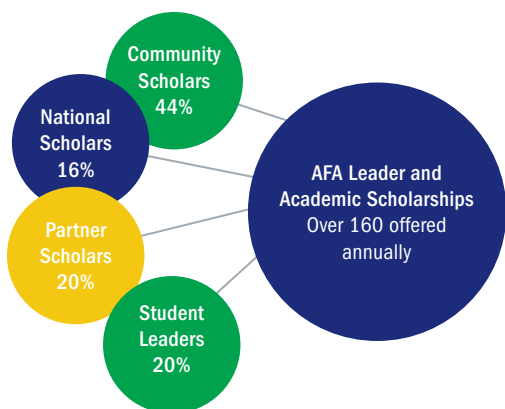


Each blue dot represents an active scholarship community.

When Agriculture Future of America was created in 1996, the scholarship program was the first thing to be established. It's still a large part of what we do today.

From the beginning, two things made our scholarship programs unique. First, we coupled the academic scholarship with a leader development experience by including sponsorship to AFA Leaders Conference for each scholar. Secondly, our primary scholarship opportunities are offered in partnership with rural communities - where the community raises half of the scholarship funds, which we match, and then awards the scholarship to a local student in their community. This arrangement gives more meaning to the program for the donors and the scholars.

	Academic	Leader (Conference Sponsorship)	Scholarship Administration	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,600 +</b>	<b>\$1,250 +</b>	<b>\$400 =</b>	<b>\$3,250</b>



AFA and its partners award scholarships to graduating high school seniors and current undergraduate students enrolled in agriculture and food-related degree programs across the U.S.

While 44% of our scholarships in 2019 were offered by communities. We also award unrestricted national scholarships as well as scholarships offered in partnership with regional or national companies. All of our scholarships share one application, maximizing the opportunities available for each student who applies. To learn more, visit [www.agfuture.org/scholarships](http://www.agfuture.org/scholarships).

## AFA Leader and Academic Scholarship eligibility criteria

- Recommended 3.0 GPA or higher.
- High school senior or undergraduate student status.
- Must be 17-25
- Plans to obtain a four-year degree.
- Possess a passion for food and agriculture.
- Plan to pursue a career in the food and agriculture industry.