



# Professional Improvement Foundation Report

## Continuing the Mission to Serve AAEA Members with Professional Improvement

PIF continues its mission to support professional development for students and young, mid and late career professionals.

### Major PIF Fund Recipients

Internships - \$11,000  
Scholarships - \$7,500  
AMS Session Sponsor - \$2,000  
Andy Markwart Horizon Award-  
\$2,000

### Total Grants in 2020-21

\$39,000

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### AAEA SUMMER INTERNS

#### 2020

Jessica Wesson – Editorial with *Successful Farming*, *Farm Progress* and *DTN/The Progressive Farmer*  
Dylan Davidson— Marketing Communications at *US Wheat*

#### 2021

Sarah Meghrian – Editorial Internship with *Illinois Soybean Association*  
Baylee Hogan – Marketing Communications at *broadhead*



## AAEA SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS

#### 2020

Macy Evans, *Iowa State University*  
Kylee Kohls, *South Dakota State University*  
Madelyn Main, *Iowa State University*  
Jessica Wesson, *University of Arkansas*

#### 2021

Callie McClay, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*  
Bobby Marchy, *Oklahoma State University*

## AAEA ANDY MARKWART HORIZON AWARD

2020 - Katie Knapp



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