

# NEW JERSEY FFA FOUNDATION, INC.

## 2008-2009 ANNUAL REPORT

REPORT OF GIFTS FROM JULY 1, 2008 -JUNE 30, 2009

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State Officer Candidates School

### GENERAL FUND

*Donations received from Agricultural Education supporters are invested for FFA leadership, chapter and individual incentive awards, career development events and special personal development activities.*



This year the *Blue Jackets, Bright Futures, Program* provided jackets to 35 NJ FFA members. Members submit an application to be eligible for the award.



Many scholarships are awarded during the State FFA Convention in May.

### SPECIAL FUND

*Investments are made to projects for specific business or personal interest. Projects may include career development events, leadership development, scholarships, travel expenses, awards, national FFA convention activities or state FFA officer activities.*



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*There are nine categories of support in all fund categories:*

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*Investments made in memory of a loved one.*

## NEW JERSEY FFA FOUNDATION, INC.

### VISION:

*Financially support FFA activities that prepare NJ FFA members for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture.*



2009-2010  
NJ State FFA Executive Board

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Building Leadership and Strong Teams of Officers (BLAST Off) is just one of many leadership and training sessions that State Officers attend throughout their year of service.

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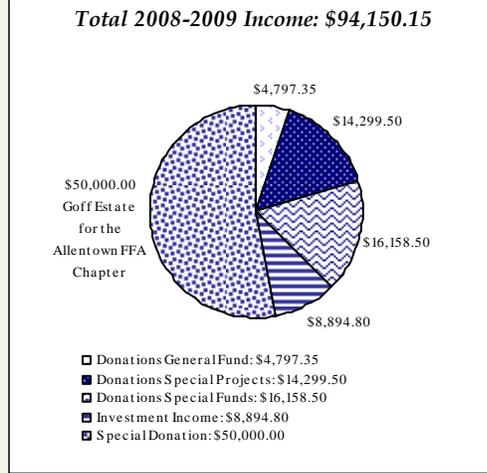
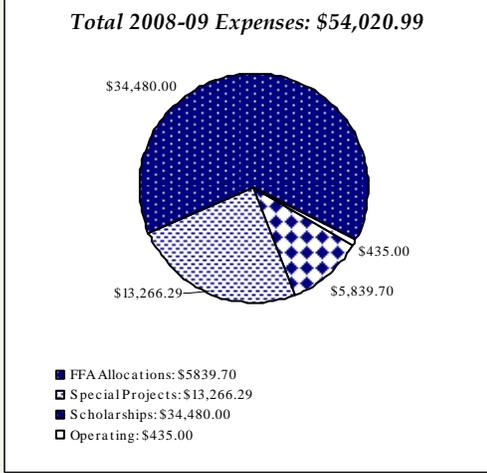


Career Development Events test students' knowledge of an agriculture related field and prepare them for future careers.

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**New Special Project**



**STATE OFFICER "CLUB" FUND**

This year, the New Jersey FFA Foundation, Inc. launched the State Officer "Club" Fund. A special project of the New Jersey FFA Foundation, Inc., in cooperation with the New Jersey FFA Association, the State Officer "Club" Fund supports state officers' activities through past state officers donations to the NJ FFA Foundation, Inc. This special project of the New Jersey FFA Foundation, Inc. encourages past state officers to donate \$1 for each year since they were a state officer.

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Margaret Hurley (Finneran)	78-79
Dave Specca	80-81
Nancy Trivette (Schnetzer)	80-81
John Sebastiano	83-84, 85-86
William Hudson	84-85
Mike Iannitelli	86-87, 88-89
Stephen Madara	87-88
Joel Rudderow	89-91
Nicole Logan (Wright)	92-93
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