



National FFA Alumni Association

How the Affiliation Program and Life Membership work together.

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The creation of the Affiliation Program is not a competitor to Life membership but rather a great compliment to the alumni membership options. The following are some points to help you understand how to successfully utilize both membership options.

AFFILIATION PROGRAM

The membership affiliation program is designed to easily mobilize volunteers to support local agricultural education programs and their FFA chapters. This program allows chapters to provide membership, services and benefits to an unlimited number of volunteers/supporters for one fee while keeping the rest of their funds right at home for their local programs. This program will also assist the National FFA Alumni in their strategic goal of having an active alumni chapter in every FFA chapter in the country and dramatically increasing the number of advocates and supporters with time, talent and resources at the local, state and national level.

Cost:

- Annual fee per local FFA Alumni chapter (\$100 national fee + state fee)
 - *National annual fee will be waived if the local affiliate has at least 25 life members (as of the end of the preceding membership year)*

Audience:

- New or beginning volunteers/parents/supporters to Agricultural Education/FFA
- Every parent of agriculture education students/FFA members
- Individuals that do not want to pay just to volunteer
- Recent FFA student members
- Individuals that are not at a point in their life to make a long-term investment but still want to continue/start their FFA membership as an adult

Value of Affiliation Program to the Organization:

- Unlimited number of volunteers can be recruited at the local level for one flat fee
- Allows individuals the opportunity to learn about and experience the impact of agricultural education and FFA without having to pay
- Breaks down barriers to get volunteers/supporters into agricultural education/FFA

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Life membership is an investment that makes a positive difference in the lives of students for your lifetime and beyond. Your investment helps ensure the development of students' potential for premiere leadership, personal growth and career success while ensuring the long term success and future for FFA to grow leaders, build communities and strengthen agriculture.

Cost:

- \$160 national life dues (\$150 dues + \$10 processing fee) + state life dues

Audience:

- Long-time volunteers/parents/supporters to Agricultural Education/FFA
- Parent of agriculture education students/FFA members that have already seen the impact that it has made on their students
- Individuals that do more than just volunteer and instead make a lifelong investment
- Recent FFA student members that realize the impact that FFA has made on them and want to be lifelong members
- Individuals that have reached a point in their life to make a long-term investment in an organization that they align their guiding principles with

Value of Life Membership to the Organization:

- 100% of the national dues are invested into the Life Member Endowment fund to ensure the long term future of the organization
 - National FFA Alumni draws 6% off of the endowment annually to provide programs/resources/assistance to help develop volunteers and students at the state and local level
 - 1.5% of that is sent directly back to states alumni associations and local alumni chapters as Leadership scholarships to send students to leadership conferences/trainings
 - Programs/Resources/Assistance provided to all members by life member investment include but not limited to:
 - FREE Regional Development Conferences
 - FREE Membership Brochures (General & Life)
 - Alumni Resource Guidebooks & other handbooks
 - Industry leading membership system and data resource
 - National Council representation travel to state events
 - Stipends for state leader to attend National Ag. Ed. Inservice/Summit
 - National FFA Alumni Awards & Scholarships
 - Life member packets & hard copy subscriptions to organization magazine