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**CHS and the CHS Foundation award \$50,000  
to Agriculture Future of America**

ST PAUL, Minn. (July 9, 2009) – CHS and the CHS Foundation announced today they have awarded \$50,000 to Agriculture Future of America (AFA), an organization nationally recognized for its excellence in leader and career development training for the best and brightest college men and women and young professionals in the agriculture industry.

“We are proud to continue our partnership with AFA in building the next generation of leaders in the agricultural industry,” says William Nelson, CHS Foundation president. “AFA’s cutting-edge programs are a strong fit with the CHS Foundation’s commitment to the future of agribusiness, cooperatives and rural America.”

Since 1996, AFA ([www.agfuture.org](http://www.agfuture.org)) – a Kansas City-based organization – has provided leadership and career development education to more than 4,500 college students and young professionals in agriculture from across the country, representing 70 colleges and universities across 28 states. Through collaborative partnerships with colleges and universities, foundations, government agencies, businesses, associations, and individuals, AFA identifies accomplished student leaders and links them to learning opportunities designed to further their personal and professional development.

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The CHS Foundation ([www.chsfoundation.org](http://www.chsfoundation.org)) is the major giving entity of CHS Inc. ([www.chsinc.com](http://www.chsinc.com)). As a part of the CHS stewardship focus, the CHS Foundation is committed to investing in the future of rural America, agriculture and cooperative business through education and leadership development.

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