**JASPER DILTS**

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My name is Jasper Dilts and I live on my parent’s hog and cattle farm. We also stated a nonprofit organization on our farm called Buckheart Ranch. Buckheart Ranch gathers and distribute food and other essential things and gives them to families who are out of work or sick or just plain need some help. Growing up on the farm and with the nonprofit organization has made me a well-rounded person. I have had to learn to be a good worker, responsible, work as a team, be a leader when necessary and tolerate many situations that are tuff.

We recycle food for human consumption and for animal consumption. The meat produced and sold goes to pay the bills and help feed the people who show up at the farm for food and assistance. During the pandemic we served and gave groceries to over 2700 people and their families each month.

My favorite part of life is being on the farm. I especially love the livestock part and the meat industry. We employ our own butcher and I have started learning that skill over the past two years. It is a real science being a farmer and working with meat. I would also like to be a livestock judge one day. I have chosen my major because of my overall love for agriculture and because I want to be the best I can be at it. I want to be able to teach others what I know so that the community and world around me will be a better place.

Thanks for your consideration of me for this honor!