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EXTENSION PROGRAMS  
Agriculture and Forestry  
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Economic Development  
Family, Nutrition & Health  
4-H, Youth & Family Development  
Natural Resources

August 21, 2023

To: Lincoln Parish Finance Committee  
Re: LSU AgCenter 2024 Budget Request

Thank you for the opportunity to present our request for the LSU AgCenter 2024 budget. We appreciate your support of the local LSU AgCenter programs and want you to know you are providing essential support for Extension Agents to continue educational programs for the people of Lincoln Parish. Cooperation and financial support from the local, state, and federal levels are necessary for the continuation of research-based educational programs designed to address critical needs and improve the quality of life for the citizens of Lincoln Parish.

I would like to ask that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury continue to support the LSU AgCenter by providing suitable office space, meeting room, furnishings, and operating services support such as utilities, communications and technology, custodial services, and office supplies.

We appreciate the use of Big Creek area for the 4-H Shooting Sports program and the support of a building for the new air rifle sport. We have dedicated volunteers that are excited to get started by sharing their knowledge and practicing with the youth. Shooting Sports kick-off recruitment and enrollment day is scheduled for October 21<sup>st</sup>.

Currently the Police Jury provides \$20,000 towards salary support for faculty and staff. For this coming year we are requesting an additional increase of \$2,500 which will help offset recent staff merit raises.

The mission of the LSU AgCenter Extension Service is to bring the University to the people of the parish. We have a very dedicated team in Lincoln Parish working extremely hard to do just that. We have programs that relate to:

- Agriculture and Natural Resources
- Family and Consumer Science
- 4-H Youth Development
- School Gardens
- Nutrition and Physical Activity
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Thank you for your continued support and consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Cathy Judd