The numbers are in, and the college raised more than $31 million for FY2018. For the fifth consecutive year, the college has broken its own fund-raising record. We are thankful for our partnerships across CFAES faculty, staff, and students. We could not have done it without the entire team. Thank you!

SUCCESS STORIES ON THE PATH TO EXCEEDING $30 MILLION

- June 29 saw the ground breaking for the Kunz-Brundige Franklin County Extension Building at Waterman Lab (above). All of Central Ohio will benefit from the generosity of Pat Brundige, whose $11 million in gifts during the past two years enables construction of the building and leaves a legacy for endowed educator and support funds for Franklin County Extension and 4-H.

- The impact of a $284,000 gift from Bob Evans Farms will be evident in its myriad uses. The donation over four years will support the Waterman Multi-Species Facility Fund, 4-H Celebration of Youth, 4-H Bob Evans Farms Scholarships, the Meat Judging Team, and The Bob Evans Farms Animal Welfare Scholarship.

- For the second straight year, Ohio 4-H received $20,000 for winning the national Raise Your Hand competition, where states competed for collecting the most hands raised in support of 4-H youth. Nearly 18,000 Ohioans raised their hands this year.

- Construction has begun on the Secrest Welcome Center on the Wooster campus now that fundraising has completed. We look forward to the building’s dedication this fall.

- The Centennial Fund for The Department of Agricultural Communication, Education, and Leadership commemorates ACEL’s 100th anniversary. This endowment fund will benefit all ACEL students and support faculty.

- The Knipp Scholarship Fund will award renewable scholarships to Ohio Agricultural Technical Institute students who plan to transfer to the Columbus campus to finish their four-year degrees. The fund was created through a gift from Daryl Knipp and Cate Knipp.