

Steer Project Budget

If your son/daughter has shown interest in raising a replacement heifer for the Santa Barbara County fair they must attend all informational meetings. The project is one of great value in terms of developing a sense of responsibility, time management, accounting skills, and livestock husbandry (care). A budget is outlined below to let you know what is expected monetarily.

Estimated Expenses

Cost of Animal	\$3,000
Feed	\$2,000
Show Supplies	\$150
Insurance	\$60
Total Estimated Expenses	\$5,200

Sale of Market Steer	\$6,000
(1,200 lbs \$5.00 per lbs)	

Estimated Net Profit	\$800
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*****Based on average income and expenses. Other costs and or different expenses/receipts may occur. Also, receipt price may increase by students that solicit buyers.*****

Local banks that charge a small fee for student loans are available. These are only estimates; students may spend more or less money on the project, and they may receive more or less money from the sale of the animal. It is dependent on the circumstances. The project can continue in some areas, such as our school farm, but there are some conditions. The two main responsibilities are to feed the animals on a regular basis and to keep the area clean. This is the start of an exciting project that will encourage your child to grow while also having fun through positive social interactions. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at 805-937-2051, ext 2429.

Thank You, 

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