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As a previous member of both 4-H and FFA, I can testify to the importance of these organizations and their positive impact on not only our youth, but our community. Part of creating this positive impact is having a suitable area to support these activities. As many in Union County know, the fairgrounds serves as "ground-zero" for many 4-H and FFA events and provide our community with an accessible location to promote growth and change. In prioritizing necessary repairs and improvements to this facility, we can provide our youth and our community was an improved location to utilize for future endeavors and continue to promote agricultural education, community involvement, and youth development.