

# 50th Annual Illinois Agricultural Legislative Day

March 3, 2020  
Springfield, Illinois



## IALD Commodity Baskets

### Commodity Baskets: Please provide 275 items

The IALD trademark is the Commodity Basket filled with agricultural products given to legislators on behalf of the Illinois agriculture commodity organizations and interest groups.

Let's showcase what Illinois agriculture has to offer and boost our efforts to FILL UP the 275 baskets for Illinois' state legislators. Here is an OPPORTUNITY to tell about your organization's role in the world through the items you put in the basket. We ask each group to bring their A-GAME – bring out your creative side and provide item(s) with color, flavor, size, texture, value, use, and more for the baskets. Ask yourself, what products complement your organization?

#### WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET IN YOUR BASKET? Just a few ideas:

- TELL the story of what comes from Illinois fields and farms
- BULK UP the items in the baskets with LARGER packaging
- SUPPLY fresh, tasty, and colorful products
- CONSIDER COOKING OR GRILLING utensils with a recipe
- PACKAGE INGREDIENTS with a delicious recipe
- **Please AVOID brochures, papers, and small items**

#### ILLINOIS FOOD GUIDE

Consider contacting an Illinois company that makes specialty items such as fudge, beef jerky, barbecue sauces, seasonings for meats, desserts, and snack foods, then affix your contact information to the item. Search the Illinois Food Guide on-line at [www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Assistance/Pages/Food-and-Agribusiness-Guide.aspx](http://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Assistance/Pages/Food-and-Agribusiness-Guide.aspx) for the listing of Illinois companies that may trigger a unique idea to represent your organization.

#### GIFT BAN ACT

Check out this website for info on the Gift Ban Act: <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/pubact90/acts/90-0737.html>

There are 275 bushel baskets to fill. Illinois FFA members will assemble and deliver the baskets to the state legislators, constitutional offices, and staffers.

#### BASKET ITEMS DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS (SHIPPING/DROP-OFF)

For your convenience, drop off or ship the items to the Illinois Department of Agriculture by NOON on Thursday, February 27, 2020. Department staff will transport items received to the south wing of the Capitol.

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