



The State Fair is also launching a new Agriculture Ambassador program, funded by **Flagstar Bank**, aimed at expanding the reach and influence of its youth council. The mission of the Michigan State Fair Youth Council is to foster communication, share wisdom and build bridges between young people who have been raised on traditional rural farms, and their counterparts in Michigan cities, who are learning farm practices through Urban Agriculture programs and Community Gardens. Collaborative educational programs will include a new chicken coop-building project slated for the Oakland Avenue Urban Farm in Detroit's North End neighborhood.

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