Maddie Carpenter Shines at State Livestock Competition

A Decade of Hard Work and a Very Proud County

This past October, Madalyn "Maddie" Carpenter (pictured above at right) proudly represented her family, Anson County 4-H, and the whole community as she competed at the North Carolina State Fair. Maddie has been showing livestock since the age of two - which means she learned to lead a heifer before many kids learned to tie their shoes - and she has spent the last ten years competing at the state fair. Despite a year filled with injuries that would have slowed down a less-determined competitor, her experience and grit paid off in a big way.

Maddie earned the distinguished Champion Got to Be NC award, presented to a heifer bred and raised right here in North Carolina. The win held special meaning because the heifer came from her grandfather's farm, and Maddie played a major role in raising her - proving that good genetics and good caretaking both run in the family.

She also brought home the title of Champion Bred and Owned Angus Heifer, adding another trophy to an already impressive shelf.

Looking ahead, Maddie is set to graduate in May 2026 and hopes to attend NC State University the following fall, majoring in animal science with a focus on veterinary medicine. She already has her long-term plan mapped out with the confidence of someone who's been showing cattle since preschool: earn her degree, head to vet school, and ultimately work in embryology, which she proudly calls her passion.

Maddie credits much of her success to her family: grandparents Bruce and Carla Shankle, parents Steve and Nichole Carpenter, and her younger brother EB Carpenter, all of whom have walked the show-ring journey with her.

A champion for women in agriculture, a dedicated 4-H livestock competitor, and someone always willing to share her wisdom with others, Maddie continues to make Anson County proud. Her future is bright, and if history is any indication, she'll be running the show long before anyone else even finds the halter.

Funny, Random & Weird Holidays

As the holiday season approaches, the calendar brings a cheerful mix of practical, playful and downright odd observances. Here's a look at the days ahead - each with a brief explanation so you can celebrate properly.

- Nov 20 Thursday Use Less Stuff Day. A gentle reminder to cut back on waste, simplify a bit and maybe avoid buying that extra gadget you don't actually need.
- Nov 20 Thursday National Absurdity Day. A day dedicated to embracing the weird, the wacky and the wonderfully illogical. Perfect excuse for a little silliness.
- Nov 21 Friday World Hello Day. The goal is simple: say "hello" to at least ten people to promote peace and goodwill. Easy, friendly and free.
- Nov 22 Saturday Go For a Ride Day. Take a drive, hop on a bike or go for a scenic ride — anything that gets you moving and exploring.
- Nov 23 Sunday Fibonacci Day. Celebrates the famous number sequence (1, 1, 2, 3...) that appears in nature, art and mathematics — perfect for lovers of patterns and symmetry.
- Nov 24 Monday Celebrate Your Unique Talent Day. Whether you juggle, bake, whistle, yodel or organize sock drawers by color, today is your day to shine.
- Nov 25 Tuesday Shopping Reminder Day. A friendly nudge that the holiday rush is near — whether that's exciting or alarming is up to you.
- Nov 26 Wednesday Cake Day. Enjoy slice!

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Wadesboro Lions Club Welcomes New Members

The Wadesboro Lions Club meets at the Papa Joe's Restaurant the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. For more information about these meetings or becoming a member, please call Lion Jim Chandler at 910-571-1448.



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TOWN OF WADESBORO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - INSTALLMENT FINANCING Financing Proposal for the Purchase of Vehicles and Heavy Equipment

Town of Wadesboro, North Carolina RFP Issue Date: November 12, 2025

Proposal Due Date: November 26, 2025, by 2:00 P.M. EST

The Town of Wadesboro, North Carolina, is soliciting proposals from qualified financial institutions to provide installment financing for the purchase of the following vehicles and heavy equipment. (Check all mandatory vehicle specifications on page 3.

- 2 1 Ton Ford F350 Pick-up trucks Gasoline (Estimated cost is \$58,000/each)
- 2– 1 Ton Ford F350 Pick-up trucks diesel (Estimated cost is \$68,000/each)
- 1 Sewer Jet Truck (Estimated cost \$600,000)

The selected financing proposal will be approved during a regularly scheduled meeting of the Wadesboro Town Council.

2. Estimated Purchase Price

The total loan required for the purchase of these vehicles is \$852,000 based on the attached quotes. The Town reserves the right to return any unused financing proceeds without interest or penalties.

3. Submission Instructions

Proposals must be received no later than 2:00 P.M. EST on November 26, 2025, via the following methods:

Physical Delivery (Mail/Courier/Hand-Delivered) for the attention of:

Jacob Huber, Finance Officer

Town of Wadesboro

124 E. Wade St., Wadesboro, NC 28170

Please clearly mark the envelope or package: "Fleet Vehicles." Late submissions will not be considered.

4. Financing Terms Requested

Proposers are requested to submit installment financing proposals for one or more of the following term options

- Option A: 60 monthly payments (5-year term) in arrears at a fixed interest rate
- Option B: 84 monthly payments (7-years) in arrears at a fixed interest rate

Note: Institutions are not required to propose all three options but are encouraged to submit as many as possible for consideration.

5. Required Proposal Components

Each proposal must include the following:

- Amortization Schedule(s): Annual or monthly payment breakdown showing fixed principal and
- Early Payoff Terms: Specify whether prepayment is allowed and, if so, whether there are any penalties, fees, or charges for early payoff.
- Fee Disclosure: Detail all associated fees or charges, including but not limited to:
- Origination fees
- Escrow or administrative costs
- Any other third-party or pass-through charges
- Disbursement Plan: Funds must be deposited in a non-interest-bearing escrow account, with disbursements made based on verified payment vouchers or via an alternative method mutually agreed upon.

6. Evaluation and Selection Criteria

The Town will evaluate proposals based on the following criteria:

- Competitive interest rates and favorable amortization schedules
- Total cost of financing, including fees
- Flexibility regarding prepayment and termination
- Disbursement method and escrow handling

Responsiveness and completeness of the proposal The Town reserves the right to:

- Select the proposal that best meets its financial and operational needs
- Reject any or all proposals at its sole discretion Negotiate terms with the selected proposer
- Waive minor informalities or irregularities in submissions 7. Disclaimers

This RFP does not commit the Town to award a contract or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal. All proposals become the property of the Town of Wadesboro upon submission and are subject to public records law.

8. Contact Information Jacob Huber

Finance Officer, Town of Wadesboro

Email: jhuber@wadesboronc.gov

Phone: (704) 465-0996

We sincerely appreciate your interest in establishing a partnership with the Town of Wadesboro.

	1 Ton Ford	1 Ton Ford	Sewer Jet		1 Ton Ford	1 Ton Ford	Sewer Jet
	F350 Diesel Truck x2	F350 Gasoline Truck x2	<u>Truck</u>		F350 Diesel Truck x2	F350 Gasoline Truck x2	<u>Truck</u>
Cab/Chassis	-2026 Ford F350 Crew Cab 4x4 pickup-short bed 160wb	-2026 Ford F350 Crew Cab 4x4 pickup-short bed 160wb	-N/A	Other Options:	-Dual 78 AH Battery	-Dual 78 AH Battery	-Work lights: LED Rear Door, Operators Station, Hose
Powertrain	-6.7L 4V OHV Power Stroke V8 Turbo Diesel B20	-Electronic- Locking w/3.55 Axle Ratio	-Spec-ed L9 Cummins Engine w Allison 3000 series Automatic Transmission		440 A	440.0	Reel Manhole, and Passenger Side
	-Electronic- Locking w/3.55 Axle Ratio				-410 Amp Alternator -Engine Block	-410 Amp Alternator -Platform Running	-Safety Cone Storage Rack -Toolbox
Wheels/Tires	-LT275/70Rx18E BSW A/T (4) -18" Argent	-LT275/70Rx18E BSW A/T (4) -18" Argent	-N/A		Heater	Boards	Passenger Side Chassis Frame 30x18x24
Other	Painted Steel -FX4 Off-Road	Painted Steel	-Rear Directional		-Platform Running Boards	Spray-In Bedliner	-Toolbox Drivers Side Subframe 18x24x24
Options:	Package	Package	Control- LED Arrow stick		Spray-In Bedliner	110V/400W Outlet	-Lateral Cleaning Kit
	-Trailer Brake Controller	-Trailer Brake Controller	-14 Light Package		110V/400W Outlet	Upfitter Switches	

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