

# Where do my soybean checkoff contributions go?

Take a close look at the settlement check from your first purchaser. You'll see a deduction equal to one half of one percent of your soybean proceeds. Do you know where that goes?

- Illinois soybean farmers contribute a portion of their sales to the checkoff program. **Half of the collected funds** are distributed to the Illinois Soybean Board to fund state activities. The other half is given to the United Soybean Board (USB) to fund national research and promotion.
- **The Illinois Soybean Board** is part of the Illinois Soybean Association (ISA), the statewide organization that strives to enable Illinois soybean producers to be the most knowledgeable and profitable soybean producers around the world.
- **The ISA Board of Directors** consists of 24 volunteer farmers who determine how checkoff (and non-checkoff) funds are spent.

For the 2017-18 fiscal year, nearly **\$14 million** will be invested in checkoff programs. The programming budget is broken down into these areas at the following percentages:

