



AFFILIATE ANNUAL REPORT FORM

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Please return this form by December 31st of each year to your Regional Director
and a copy to the National Office. **This Report should cover anything that has
occurred between January 1 and December 31 of the current year.**

State/Territory: North Carolina

Date: 12/21/18

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Person Completing Form: Hayley Cowell - NCEAFCS President

**1. What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year?
(consider member resources, awards & recognition, public affairs, etc)**

- a. Reduction/Combination of state & district offices to accommodate our smaller association
- b. Training/professional development at the annual meeting -- this was particularly wonderful as so many of the sessions were agent led
- c. Culinary skill training were offered to each district - participants received knives and aprons for their programming
- d. Supported the Dinah Gore Research and Teaching Kitchens, housed at NC State University, that will enhance training and outreach opportunities for FCS
- e. Simplified awards application and judging process to increase number of award applications and sustain interest in District VP of Award & Recognition role
- f. Conducted a two-month Living Well Challenge to support members in adopting a new healthy habit. Twenty-one members accepted and accomplished the challenge.

2. What are your Affiliate's goals for the next 12 months?

- a. Increase number of award applicants & winners

1. Two award applicants will receive a free registration to annual conference
 - b. Increasing professional development opportunities for members (presentations at professional meetings, participation in PILD/JCEP etc.)
 - c. Submit bid to hold NEAFCS in North Carolina in 2022
 - d. Submit more program impacts to be highlighted by NEAFCS
 - e. Increase number of members participating in the NC Homegrown in the Kitchen videos (a new Extension Education TV series)
 - f. Increase membership -- new agents will be given a year's membership in NEAFCS (if requested). This will be funded by the FCS/ECA Foundation.
 - g. Highlight NEAFCS during the Living Well month of March.

3. **What challenges do Cooperative Extension and/or FCS pose in your state?**
 - a. Changing budgets in the counties make program implementation vary across the state.
 - b. Multi-county agents (some agents working 2 or more counties).
 - c. Salary inequities among agents
 - d. Unique programming challenges for Urban counties, such as access to programming, increased population and traffic challenges

4. **To assist NEAFCS in future planning & communication, please list concerns your Affiliate has for the NEAFCS board to address:**
 - a. Need to focus on economic impact of FCS programs
 - b. Need to provide resources, development, and support on how to provide FCS programming in Urban settings