



Affiliate Annual Report Form

Submit this form to your Regional Director and the
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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: Missouri Date: 12/10/2020
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What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year? (Consider member resources, awards and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

- Like many over the past year, we have had to be creative in our program delivery. We worked to meet the needs of Missourians by adapting FCS programming to fit the needs of our audiences through on-line platforms and collaboration between disciplines.
- In 2020, we increased our overall awards and proposal submissions.
- Award Winners
 - Distinguished Service Award – Jessica Trussell (national recognition)
 - Past President New Professional Award--Kyleigh Sullivan- 3rd Place (Regional)
 - School Wellness--Kathy Dothage and Human Development and Family Specialist Team- 1st Place (Regional) Youth Mental Health First Aid Partnership with the Missouri School Board Association
- We submitted Impact Statements and Annual Report
- Our affiliate created a Facebook page to better keep members informed and provide an easy way to highlight successes and programs.
- We hosted several virtual fundraiser events for members and general Extension audiences, including happy hour and trivia nights.

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

- Offer professional development opportunities that enhance the skills of our Extension colleagues through involvement in professional development committees, writing for proposals for presentations and webinars, and by discovering new ideas, tools and techniques to enhance the impact of their work locally and nationally (EB 11/6).
- Missouri Affiliate members currently serving on NEAFCS committees
 - Professional Development Subcommittee: Amy Bartels, chair-elect, Amber Allen, apprentice, Emily Barbee, member
 - Ambassador Subcommittee: Chair- Jessica Trussell
 - Awards and Recognition Training Subcommittee: Chair- John Fuller
 - Mentoring and Leadership subcommittee: Chair, Gina Lucas, Chair Elect- Kyleigh Sullivan
 - Public Affairs advocacy subcommittee: Chair-elect Lindsey Stevenson
- Actively recruit interested and qualified members for leadership positions and identify at least two candidates for each open board position.
- Collaborate with Bylaws Committee to propose amendments to create a fair and impartial nominating and election process.
- In order to recruit and retain new members to the organization, we have established the following goals
 - Providing additional professional development internal opportunities to members

- Continue to develop new members in awards and recognition, mentoring in state committees, and multi-state networking
- Incorporating fun activities throughout the year where we can invite potential new members to join the organization.

What challenges do Cooperative Extension and/or Family & Consumer Sciences face in your state?

- Membership retention due to increased workload and a decrease in salary due to overall University and Extension budget constraints.
- No in-person meetings/travel restrictions. Members won't be able to attend conferences/zoom fatigue.

To assist NEAFCS in future planning and communication, please list concerns your Affiliate has for the NEAFCS Board to address:

If the board was ever to consider raising membership fees, that may cause a reduction in recruitment and retention. The current membership fee is a stumbling block for some that would like to join or remain a member.