



# Affiliate Annual Report Form

Submit this form to your Regional Director and the  
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Please return this form by December 31<sup>st</sup> 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: Georgia Date: 12/01/2021  
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**What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year?** (Consider member resources, awards and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

Georgia had 39 State Award Winners, 12 Regional Winners, and 9 National Award Winners.

The following members was recognized for their promotions that went into effect on July 1, 2021

**Public Service Associate**

Rebecca Lynn Brightwell, FACS IHDD  
MaryBeth Hornbeck, Rockdale County  
Susan Moore, Laurens County  
Becca Stackhouse, Crisp County

**Senior Public Service Associate**

Ines Beltran, Gwinnett County

The following people submitted dossiers for promotion this year's review:

NE – Al Parker, Ida Jackson, Jackie Dallas  
NW – Kisha Faulk, Rebecca Hardeman  
SE – Rachel Stewart  
SW – LaKeshia Levi

MaryBeth Hornbeck received the Thomas F Rodgers Outreach County Agent Award.

**FACS Day at the Capitol (February 13, 2021)**

Nineteen members from GEAFCS in attendance. Alexis Roberts represented GEAFCS during the "Get Connected to FACS" session, and spoke to the UGA FACS students about Extension, the opportunities for students and ways to get connected. Alexis and MaryBeth Hornbeck designed an infographic, showing the impact of UGA Extension FACS, which we shared with the legislators, along with a thank-you note for their support, via email.

**Living Well Month** – Information from the NEAFCS Living Well Month Tool Kit was shared with members during the month of March.

**State Congress Hospitality Suite** – A big success! Seven FACS agents volunteered during the week of State Congress. Thirteen donors gave financially and/or refreshment items. The 4-H'ers were so appreciative of the hospitality shown by GEAFCS.

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

The Georgia Affiliate strives for members to participate in Professional Development opportunities. We offer Professional Development events in each of our four districts. Georgia Affiliate strives to building leadership skills through an annual Leadership/officer training in the fall.

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

Broadband internet access is a challenge in rural areas of Georgia. Below are some of the other challenges for Georgia.

- Filling FACS Agent positions with qualified candidates
- Hiring and retaining agents and program assistants
- Hiring and retaining a diverse workforce
- State funding to support FACS positions
- Adequate specialist support to address individual, family, and community health and wellness as related to FACS and Extension. In other words, a Extension Health Specialist
- Mental health of youth and adult clientele and faculty and staff
- Managing post-pandemic educational programming
- Supporting work and personal life integration for FACS Agents and Specialists

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