

## **Affiliate Annual Report Form**

Submit this form to Cindy Thompson, Central Region Director at cpthom08@iastate.edu and the NEAFCS National Office at djessup@executiveoffice.org.

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:	Indiana	Date:	December 21, 2021
Person Completing Form:	Marcia Parcell	Phone:	

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

- Molly Hoag recognized for Distinguished Service Award.
- Over 475 programs delivered
- Raised enough funds to support the \$500 Dean Don Felker Award for another year.
- Our VP for Awards hosted a virtual meeting to discuss different awards (national and state) as well as the application process.
- We had new educators that started in 2021 join NEAFCS.

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

- 1. Encourage members to apply for awards and to present at Annual Session.
- 2. State officers will advise committee VP's on ways to keep committees active and engaged with affiliate membership.
- 3. Creating sustainable funding for the Dean Don Felker Award.
- 4. Encourage educators to be involved and reap the benefits of NEAFCS.

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

We are facing the challenge of staff turnover or maintaining professionals in their positions as Extension Educators. We are facing challenges due to the pandemic as we find new ways to adapt programs to on demand. We are having to reconnect with partners and new educators.

To assist NEAFCS in future planning and communication, please list concerns your Affiliate has for the NEAFCS Board to address: We need to continue to train the next group of leaders. We need to continue to mentor new educators. We need to promote and demonstrate the value of the organization to members and potential members, so they see the benefits of the organization. The NEAFCS dues, travel to conference, and conference fees can be financially challenging for educators, if their county does not have money. These expenses may be viewed as too expensive, if they have to pay them personally. We need to continue to provide professional development outside of conference. We need to inspire educators to develop skills to be leaders.