

## Submit this form to your Regional Director and the NEAFCS National Office, 325 John Knox Rd. Suite L103 Tallahassee, FL 32303 Fax: (850) 222-3019 Email: 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:	Arizona	Date:	11/29/2023
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What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year? (Consider member resources, awards and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

The Arizona affiliate was recognized at NEAFCS with four western region, and 1 national award winner. Arizona also represented 6 of the 8 categories for the 2023 impact statements.

In addition, the Arizona affiliate is represented on National Committees with members in leadership roles within the Public Affairs Advocacy Committee and Journal Editorial Committee. We've added 5 new members to our roster and with vacant agent and specialist positions that we are actively recruiting for we hope to add even more in the near future.

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

The Arizona Affiliate is actively engaged in efforts to host the 2024 NEAFCS Annual Session. Our goals are centered around ensuring that the session is a success and a reflection of all that Extension, and Arizona, has to offer.

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

Our counties are very large and diverse, this poses a challenge to ensure that we meet the needs of our stakeholders with a relatively small number of agents, specialists, and staff.

With a small affiliate that also results in difficulty at times to have a full executive board and officers.

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