

# **Affiliate Annual Report Form**

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:	Illinois	Date:	December 11, 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.)

- Member resources has worked on building membership for the Illinois Affiliate and reaching out to lifetime members.
- Offered Fall PDO (Occupational Balance) for IEAFCS, all FCS staff were invited to attend via zoom.
- IEAFCS Members & lifetime attended the NEAFCS Conference
- New officers were installed at our Fall Meeting during the Extension Annual Conference. Installed two new officers to 2024 Board: President Elect, VP Public Affairs
- Illinois Affiliate Member; Lisa Peterson continues to serve as NEAFCS Officer/Secretary

## **IEAFCS** brought home many **NEAFCS** Awards – we are so proud of:

- 1. Communications Internet Education Technology Team Award Feeding My Baby from Cradle to Table; Jenna Smith, Kristin Bogdonas, Chelsey Byers, Mary Liz Wright
- 2. Communications Television/Video Team Award Illinois Deer Donation Program Recipe Videos Michelle Fombelle, Caitliln Mellendorf, Merideth Probst
- 3. Communications Television/Video Team Award No Matter How You Slice Them, Apples Are a Fall Favorite Susan Glassman, Lisa Peterson, Liz Smith
- 4. Community partnership Team Award Working Together to Walk Wock Lake Lisa Peterson
- 5. Innovation in Programming Award Cookin in an Instant Caitlin Mellendorf
- 6. Social Media Education Award; Mindful Mondays on Meta Jamie Mahlandt

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

- Set Meeting Dates for 2024.
- Promote membership benefits to staff in FCS/Illinois Extension
- Offer Membership meetings in the Spring and Fall
- Continue to build membership
- Promote applying for awards, and membership attending Annual Session
- Affiliate President attend 2024 NEAFCS Conference with IEAFCS members
- Provide valuable opportunities for networking and professional development

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

- Strive for work/life balance
- Collaborate to strengthen community
- Promote Extension and the great things offered
- Solidify partnerships with extension specialists on campus

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

• We have no concerns. We look forward to a successful 2024.