



# 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: Tennessee Date: 12/16/2023  
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**What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year?** (Consider member resources, awards and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

- Membership was opened to the new category of Associate members, we had 3 individuals sign up to become associate members. We currently have 121 members across the state of Tennessee.
- Tennessee had 66 award submissions this year with 15 being Southern Region winners and 12 of these rising to the National level.
- Annette Cole attended JCEP in February
- Elizabeth Renfro & Annette Cole represented TEAFCS at PILD in April
- We held our State Conference in Nashville, TN with our Central Region Affiliate hosting us.
- Began utilizing the Endowment Funds we have set-up in TN to support our association. More specifically for awards. The Endowment and Expenditures Committee is working on how we can best utilize and help support the members and efforts of TEAFCS.
- TEAFCS updated our by-laws to align with NEAFCS By-Laws. As well as updated our Statement of Policy
- Part of our by-laws we combined membership due payment into one to make it easier and less confusing for members. The membership dues include those for national, state, and region and sent to the state treasurer. The state treasurer would then cut a check to the region treasurers to put into the region treasury.
- Tennessee had 25 members attend National Conference in Providence, RI.
- Elizabeth Renfro, submitted a bid for NEAFCS Annual Session to be held in TN in 2026. The bid was accepted and approved to be held in Knoxville, TN.
- Tri-Liaisons are currently being identified to represent TN for the National Session.
- We concluded the year with a Transitional Board Meeting in Murfreesboro, TN where new officers were initiated and all could meet to learn about their respected new roles.

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

To co-host Galaxy with the other Extension Professional Associations in 2024.

Identify members who would like to be part of the National committees to host in 2026 and identify those who would like to chair or co-chair.

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

Funding/Sponsorship of FCS Professional Development opportunities across the state. Dr. Fox would like to develop a group to begin developing this further.

Strengthening the pool of qualified applicants for FCS positions across the state.

**To assist NEAFCS in future planning and communication, please list concerns your Affiliate has for the NEAFCS Board to address:** Our greatest concerns continues to be building visibility for FCS programs in our state and how to build a strong pool of applicants for FCS related positions.