



Affiliate Annual Report Form

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Please return this form by December 31st 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: 12/10/2025
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What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year? (Consider member resources, awards and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

In 2025, the Arizona Affiliate strengthened statewide visibility, leadership, and member engagement across multiple professional initiatives. Highlights include:

Awards and Recognition

- Received **1 Western Region Award** and **1 National Service Award**.
- Submitted **11 NEAFCS Impact Statements**, resulting in recognition across four categories: *Community Health, Diabetes Prevention, Financial Management, and Food & Nutrition*. These spotlights showcased effective Extension programming and interdisciplinary impact statewide.

Leadership and Advocacy

- Maintained a **fully staffed Executive Board and Officer roster**, ensuring continuity in Affiliate governance.
- Continued representation on **national NEAFCS committees**, supporting professional advocacy and advancing the role of FCS nationwide.

Professional Development

- The Affiliate President and President-Elect attended **JCEP Extension Leadership Conference (ELC)** and co-presented a professional development breakout session, contributing to national dialogue and professional learning.

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

To continue advancing professionalism, visibility, and membership engagement, the Arizona Affiliate will focus on the following priorities in 2026:

Awards and Recognition

- Increase submissions and secure more **Regional and National NEAFCS Awards**.
- Broaden participation in **NEAFCS Impact Statements**, ensuring stronger representation of Arizona's diverse Extension programs.

Membership Growth

- Recruit and retain members through increased outreach, mentorship, and communication strategies that demonstrate value for engagement.

Representation and Leadership

- Maintain active participation in **JCEP ELC** and other national leadership development opportunities.
- Expand representation on **NEAFCS national committees and the National Board**.

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

The Affiliate recognizes ongoing challenges impacting program delivery, staffing, and member participation:

- **Geographic complexity and diversity** across Arizona's large counties create barriers to uniformly addressing stakeholder needs with limited personnel and resources.
- **Decreased Family, Consumer, and Health Sciences (FCHS) staffing and loss of positions** have led to a reduction in active and associate members (from 33 to 21 Active Members and from 12 to 7 Associate Members), limiting representation and leadership capacity.

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

The Arizona Affiliate has **no concerns to report at this time**, and remains committed to active engagement and collaboration with NEAFCS leadership.