

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 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: | Arkansas | | December 15, 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.)

- Awards/Recognition- Arkansas Award Winners recognized during the FCS State Conference.32 awards submitted to the Regional/National Level. 9 awards recognized at the Southern Region Level. 7 Awards recognized at the National Level. Recognition in the UADA Blue Letter for accomplishments.
- **Public Affairs** Submitted information for 5 areas of impact- Community health/wellness, Disaster preparedness, FCS & STEM, Financial management, and Food safety.
- **Member Resources-** Recognition gifts for members. Special cardigan/jacket offered to members attending the national meeting.
- Annual Session- There were over 30 FCS Agents, Techs, Associates, and Specialist in attendance in Grand Rapids. There were poster sessions and concurrent sessions presented by members.
- Leadership- Two members participated in the NEAFCS Leadership Experience, several members serve on national committees, and one member was elected to the national board. Members also attended the JCEP and PILD conferences.

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

 Goals will be set by the new NEAFCS-AR board in January and/or will continue to work off the goals set by each committee in 2025.

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

- Retaining professionals within the counties and state office.
- Locating and hiring FCS & Human Sciences majors for positions.
- Extended vacancies within rural counties. 3 counties within the state without support/funding for FCS Agents.

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

• We have no concerns to bring forward. Thank you for all that you do for each affiliate.