



Affiliate Annual Report Form

Submit this form to your Regional Director and the
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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: New Jersey Date: 12/22/25

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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 Growth: Five new members joined in 2025, bringing total active membership to **20**, despite one loss due to SNAP funding cuts.

Outreach Efforts: Targeted marketing to new hires successfully increased engagement and awareness of NEAFCS.

Awards and Recognition: Eleven New Jersey members received **National and/or Regional Awards**, including: *Chris Zellers, Karen Ensle, Shailja Mathur, Jennifer Salt-Taylor, Sara Elnakib, Ricardo Kairios, Rachel Tansey, Sherri Cirignano, Delma Yorimoto, Joanne Kinsey, and Sandra Grenci.*

Leadership Achievement:

- **Chris Zellers** elected **National President-Elect**, continuing NJ representation on the NEAFCS National Board.

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

Review and Update Governance: Conduct a comprehensive review and revision of affiliate by-laws to align with the evolving needs of an expanding membership base.

Enhance Member Engagement: Strengthen member involvement through targeted initiatives that foster active participation and collaboration.

Advance Professional Development: Expand opportunities for professional growth at the affiliate level through training, networking, and leadership development programs.

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

Staffing Gaps: Despite the addition of new faculty and staff in 2025, significant vacancies remain across the state, limiting program capacity and service delivery.

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

N/A

Date of Next Annual Meeting: recent annual mtg was December 12, 2025, with Spring mtg TBD

Does your affiliate change leadership during this time? Leadership roles changed in October 2025 and remain until 2027.