



NEAFCS 85th Anniversary Affiliate Report Form

Due to Debby Mathews September 1, 2019

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A note from the 85th Anniversary Committee.....

The NEAFCS 85th Celebration is a stepping stone /marker looking toward our 100th Anniversary. Our desire is to celebrate the past while looking toward the future. In fifteen years where will you be? Where will Extension be? How will NEAFCS look/ behave? As your affiliate celebrates our 85th Anniversary, review the historical information on the NEAFCS website and contemplate our original mission and objectives. How have these aspects of our association changed? What is the same? What is different? How sustainable is NEAFCS?

Affiliate: **KENTUCKY**

Did you have an affiliate 85th Anniversary Chairman/Committee?

- Yes, Kentucky had an 85th Anniversary Chairman and Committee.

How did your affiliate celebrate the 85th?

In Kentucky, to celebrate the 85th Anniversary of NEAFCS, we chose two dates in July as celebration dates and each district chose a non-profit organization in which to work. Each district interpreted the work differently, but as a group we achieved the goal of widespread impact across all 120 counties. The following chronicles the work done by Kentucky agents for the 85th Celebration.

- Green River Area agents worked with a local Salvation Army to stock shelves and organize donations.
- Lake Cumberland Area members supported the Lake Cumberland Children's Advocacy Center during their day of service on July 10th. The Children's Advocacy Center utilizes a multidisciplinary team approach to child sexual abuse by providing a non-threatening, child-focused environment focused on specialized child friendly interviews, medical exams, therapy, and advocacy to children entering the justice system as part of an investigation of abuse.

Our members made a monetary donation of \$85.00 to the Center along with items (in quantities of 85+) to be shared on medical days such as snacks and hygiene products, coloring pages/books and crayons for use in therapy sessions, and paper for creating resource packets for families. Agents met with Center staff to discuss needs and ways that their partnership could be

strengthened including additional outreach throughout the year and trainings for our communities conducted by Advocacy Center staff.

- The Northern Kentucky agents worked at Master Provisions in Florence, Kentucky, Master Provisions is a faith led organization that collects surplus resources (mainly food and clothing) and distributes to people in need.
- The Purchase Area agents worked with the Merryman House, the regional Domestic Violence Shelter in Paducah, Kentucky. Agents worked to learn more about the shelter as well as ways the two groups might work together in the future to encourage saving, building, and changing lives of survivors of domestic violence.
- The Pennyriple agents visited Sanctuary, the regional Domestic Violence Shelter in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, Agents set up a rotating schedule of programming for shelter clients and their children. Participants were able to take classes on relationships, basic sewing, cooking, budgeting and more. While Moms were taking classes, the children were able to take part in Stories, Songs, and Stretches as well as nutrition and germ-busting lessons. The day ended with agents and participants working together to make dinner for those living in the shelter.
- KEAFCS purchased 85+ jars of peanut butter and donated them to Big Blue Pantry. Big Blue Pantry is a campus base food bank that is open to all University of Kentucky students.
- The Licking River Area Agents met earlier this month and decided to send \$85 to the NEAFCS Endowment fund in honor of Debra Cotterill's years of service to the organization.

How did your affiliate use the NEAFCS history/archives information on our website? (Under **About NEAFCS**) Which resources did you use?

Kentucky made a new addition to our KEAFCS website this year – KEAFCS history! Under it, we now have posted historical documents for many aspects of our association. We also added the NEAFCS history/archive link to our page, for easy access to all members. View it as a “Quick link” on our home page at: <https://keafcs.ca.uky.edu/home>

Or the direct link: <https://keafcs.ca.uky.edu/content/keafcs-history>

We are also finally completing a long term project of setting up archives of our important KEAFCS records with the library at the University of Kentucky. This archiving project is part of our KEAFCS policies, but was never completed until we decided this would be an important achievement to correspond with NEAFCS 85th celebration.

KEAFCS policy

- Constitution, History & Policies Chair - archive permanent records in UK Archives at the end of their term of office, including: Minutes of Executive Board Meetings, Minutes of Annual Business Meeting, Minutes of Board Meetings, Approved Budget, Treasurer's Reports, Annual Awards Program, Annual Meeting Program, 3 Constitution, Bylaws and Policies, Photos, Newsletters, and Pride of Kentucky Endowment Records. Maintain electronic copy of all items turned into the archives.

How did you use the NEAFCS Facebook monthly 85th Anniversary tidbits?

How did your affiliate implement the **85 Things to do** list as a group /individually?

- Leaving it up to each area, the 85th Anniversary Committee encouraged agents as individuals and with their local groups such as Homemakers to choose an item from the list and implement in their own community.

Additional comments/feedback regarding our 85th Anniversary celebration.

Inspired us to complete an important history project for our website and archiving project with the UK Library