

## **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 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:        | Pennsylvania/ Eastern Region | Date:  | 12/4/2024    |
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What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year? (Consider member resources, awards, and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

Over the past year, the Pennsylvania affiliate increased its award submissions, resulting in many National, Regional, and State award winners. The Pennsylvania affiliate had one program featured in this year's impact reports.

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

Our affiliate goal for the next year is to continue increasing our award and impact report submissions. We hope to send some members to PILD and the National Conference. We would also like to try to improve our membership, but we are currently not hiring many positions, so as positions are hired, we hope to promote the organization with new hires.

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

Our state faces budget constraints, making attending conferences for professional development more challenging. We cannot participate in conferences unless on the agenda, even if we can get scholarships to cover part of the cost of attending, especially when conferences are not in our region and require airfare, hotel, and meal costs.

We are facing programming marketing challenges. We have great programs to offer to our local communities, but sometimes, we have challenges filling classes.

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

If there were a way to offer face-to-face and virtual sessions at the annual conference so members who cannot attend live can still get some professional development (maybe at a discounted cost), that would be great. The board could address better promotion and attendance of professional development webinars (offering CEUs), newsletters, and town hall meetings, which would also benefit members.