

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: Georgia

Date: 11-28-2018

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What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year: (Consider member resources, awards and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

Member resources committee

- Promoted membership in NEAFCS to new agents and to retirees.
- Encouraged participation in the GEAFCS and NEAFCS annual meetings. We had an increase in state affiliate meeting participants and a record number of members attending the NEAFCS meeting with 43 attending the meeting in San Antonio, TX.
- Recognized members receiving promotion with a gift
- Provided scholarly engagement opportunity for members to showcase diversity of programs during a peer-reviewed poster session
- Provided a special session for retirees at our state annual meeting

Awards and Recognition

- GEAFCS members applied for 63 state and national awards this year.
- 7 Southern Region award winners and 8 National award winners

Public Affairs

- Planned and implemented two major marketing efforts this year.
 - FACS Day at the Capitol provided the opportunity for our Dean of the College of Family and Consumer Sciences as well as Associate Dean of Extension to represent us on the floor of the Senate. GEAFCS gave cellphone card holders to legislators in the House and the Senate to market our association.
 - GA 4-H State Congress Hospitality Suite contacting over 500 people. This is an opportunity to provide food and beverages to 4-H'ers during the week to help offset meal costs. GEAFCS members secured private donations from across the state, decorated the room, and served the 4-H'ers over 4 days.
- Promoted AAFCS "Dining In Day"

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

- Increase membership including new FACS professionals, professionals from Ag & 4-H programs and retirees
- Support the GA 4-H Pizza Project for Junior District Project Achievement
- Increase number of applications for state and national awards
- Market FACS and GEAFCS/NEAFCS to increase support
- Provide professional development opportunities for members

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

- Cooperative Extension and FACS increase knowledge and skills to citizens to promote higher quality of life
- FACS is not as widely supported as 4-H and Agriculture programs by county governments in Georgia. This results in less lower funding and fewer numbers of FACS agents throughout our state.
- County governments and local officials recognize the FACS-related issues facing their citizens, but have a hard time connecting that increased funding for FACS agents could positively impact those issues.

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