

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:	Pennsylvania	Date:	November 25, 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.)

This past year we updated our bylaws and policies and procedures to better reflect the current responsibilities of the board. These were last updated in 2011. Three members of our Executive Board serve on the PA JCEP Board which meets quarterly with Extension Administration to discuss member concerns. Two of our members are serving as liasions on the 2019 Annual Session Planning Committee using the HUB City model for the first time. Our members are volunteering to serve on various committees in support of this and our retired members are playing a supporting role as well.

We had numerous award applications resulting in Eastern Region winners and two National Award winners. Our VP of Public Affairs coordinated the impact statements and we were mentioned in Food Safety, Diabetes Management and Improving Children's Lives reports.

We have had about 6 new members over the past couple of years and are working to mentor them into leadership positions in the organization.

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

To update the bylaws in regard to voting procedures especially when there is a single slate ballot.

Have our spring meeting in Hershey in preparation for the annual session in September. The members will be very involved as part of the various committees in helping to bring this session to the East and will be a major focus of all our activities.

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

With changes in our budgeting system, we are having issues around funding of professional development opportunities and will need to work with administration to better define responsibilities and funding sources for our FCS Educators (of particular concern are the National JCEP Leadership Conference and PILD as these are not necessarily viewed as necessary professional development by administration).

Currently, Extension and FCS is in a good position financially with support from the University and the state government.

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

Declining membership especially in the East Region and how that may impact future responsibilities related to annual session and the overall look of the organization.