



# Affiliate Annual Report Form

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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: Illinois Date: December 20, 2022  
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**What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year?** (Consider member resources, awards and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

- Members attended the NEAFCS Conference
- **NEAFCS Awards:**
  1. Innovation in Programming; 2nd Place National Winner – Karla Belzer & Team, Illinois. Central Region Winners – 1st Place – Karla Belzer & Team, Illinois
  2. Excellence in Multi State Collaboration; 1st Place National Winner – Gina Lucas & Team (Lisa Peterson, Illinois), Missouri; Excellence in Multi State Collaboration. 1st Place National Winner – Gina Lucas & Team (Lisa Peterson, Illinois), Missouri
- Concentrated efforts were made to recruit new members from our SNAP Ed Program and through FCS in Illinois Extension
- Our member, Lisa Peterson was installed as an officer for NEAFCS as Secretary
- Installed three new officers to our IEAFCS board for 2023

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

The board met on December 15, 2022 and set our meeting dates for the coming year.

- With membership, we will be offering a spring meeting during our Illinois JCEP conference. Plans are underway to offer a membership meeting that includes a professional development topic from FCS in later summer or early fall. And, our year will finish with our membership meeting to install new offices and our incoming president.
- We will continue to recruit through promoting membership benefits of IEAFCS/NEAFCS to FCS in Illinois Extension
- Affiliate President will attend 2023 NEAFCS Conference, with IEAFCS members

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

- Continue to fill staff vacancies
- Realignment of in-person programming after the pandemic
- Moving past us being the "best kept secret" and learning to market ourselves better

- Duplication of services in our communities

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

- We feel that you get better, and better each year. No concerns.