

Public Affairs Update
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Surreal, unprecedented, making history...how often have we used those words these past few days? At the risk of redundancy, I will repeat---despite our surreal work situations our Impact Statement reviewer/compilers/editors have done a marvelous job! The information that all of you submitted is a testament to the good work we all do---it is amazing the difference we have made in our world over the past year.

- Thanks again to our editors: Julie Buck, Karen Ensle, Sonya McDaniel, Rebecca Stackhouse, Brittany Martin, Daniel Remley, Julie Cascio, Lila Karki, and Glenda Hyde.
- Special thanks to Becca Stackhouse for turning our statements into marvelous infographics!
- We are not sure when or how the Impacts will be delivered to our legislators. Our thought is that we wait a bit due to their offices being focused on the pandemic. Rest assured, we will find a way to share our great news with them.
- Many of you joined the virtual PILD. Although this is a change to the typical event, this provided a great alternative. Thank you all for attending and we look forward to reading our scholarship recipient reflections in future editions of this newsletter.
- We just wrapped up Living Well Month promotions. I hope you saw the Facebook graphics the National Office created for us. We had several states share articles, posts, and other information. Thank you to those states! I hope that you all shared what you saw. Let's look toward next year with some new fresh ideas to make the Living Well month a nationwide event!

I hope you and your families are well.