

2024 Annual Session Keynote Speaker Announced!

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2024 NEAFCS Annual Session Planning Committee*

The Arizona Affiliate is excited to announce that the 2024 Annual Session keynote speaker will be Nia Imani Fields. Dr. Fields will present a talk titled "Grassroots Engagement and Social Justice through Cooperative Extension."

You can learn more about Dr. Fields and her work here:

<https://www.niainanifields.com/>



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Nia Imani Fields, Ed.D.
Deputy Director
National Youth Employment Coalition

Dr. Fields is the Deputy Director of the National Youth Employment Coalition and a retired faculty member from University of Maryland Extension. At Maryland Extension, she served as the Assistant Director of Extension and the 4-H Program Leader.

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During her keynote address, Dr. Fields will explore concepts and practices that foster culturally relevant and equitable Extension programs and present a vision for the future of Extension which includes addressing issues of systemic injustice in the communities we serve. Attendees will learn about the historical context of the land-grant system and present-day examples of grassroots engagement.

We are looking forward to an engaging talk that will set the stage for our annual session and challenge us to think about how our work can promote equity and social justice.