

My Endowment Funds: Support NEAFCS!

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NEAFCS endowment funds are investment funds established for the purpose of supporting our professional organization. Typically funded through your donations, they are normally structured in a way that ensures the fund's initial capital remains intact. Having the endowment fund allows NEAFCS organizational stability, shows our FCS colleagues that we have credibility and stability within the Extension system. NEAFCS is here for the long haul and these funds will help to sustain the life of our beloved organization, through good and unstable times.



10 Reasons I Donate to the NEAFCS Foundation.

1. Endowments are forever funds. Causes that I care about including healthy families, good nutrition, smart financial planning, parenting, obesity prevention and healthy housing are supported through educational projects with adults and youth across our counties, states and the U.S.
2. NEAFCS resources continue to grow over time and will only be used to benefit our members through scholarships and programs that will have impact. The principal of our endowed fund will never be used, and thus will continue to grow over time.
3. We are invested for the long-term with additional funds being placed in the endowed account to earn higher rates of return because they are long-term funds. The result is more money available for scholarships now and in the future.
4. Our NEAFCS endowment fund cements a lasting relationship between myself and the FCS Extension community, now and in the future.
5. NEAFCS is ensuring my vision and wishes are supporting worthwhile and impactful programs that are meeting community needs.
6. Whether I am an active professional or retired, I can still play a role in endowment decisions.
7. It can be a family affair making contributions on a monthly basis. Easy peasy! Older and younger generations can work together to make ongoing recommendations for the use and purpose of our fund. Inter-generational giving is a powerful force in our local and surrounding communities. It sets an important example of caring and support for others.
8. Investing my personal funds increases the Endowment's credibility in the eyes of new donors and community partners.
9. The NEAFCS endowment guarantees the ongoing support of our grant programs. This fund is critical for planning and budgeting our NEAFCS general operations and especially the management of grants.
10. Establishing an endowed fund is a good investment and serves as a positive force in our future. NEAFCS is a resource and role model for nonprofits. We provide capacity building and visibility for our NEAFCS members. This is made possible by the generous support of our endowed donors. Join the endowment committee and pledge \$90 for your future. I have!