



NACDEP is an organization dedicated to improving the visibility, coordination, professional status and resource base of community and economic development Extension programs and professionals.

We encourage you to share this brochure with your colleagues, become involved in one of our many activities, and give us your thoughts about how NACDEP can be useful to you and your colleagues.

NACDEP makes no effort to proscribe what state or regional community resource and economic development programming and research look like, but rather is designed to assist those of us who deliver programming and do research under this broad umbrella to acquire and maintain the financial, political, technical and organizational resources we need to meet our objectives. Ensuring the Viability of Cooperative Extension Community Resource and Economic Development Programs



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Benefits of NACDEP MEMBERSHIP

NACDEP National Association of Community

National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals



Professional Development

- Annual NACDEP conference opportunities to:
- make presentations
- attend seminars on topics of interest
- participate in other activities
- Variety of professional development training opportunities to develop and practice leadership skills through a variety of roles, including:
- NACDEP Executive Committee
- other NACDEP committees
- joint Extension organizations
- Access to best-practice community development programming

Awards/Recognition/Scholarships

- Program awards:
- Diversity
- Educational Technology
- Educational Materials
- Innovation and Creativity
- Excellence in Community Development Work
- Excellence in Teamwork
- Cross Programming
- Service awards:
- Distinguished National Service
- Distinguished Career
- Annual conference stipends/scholarships

Influence/Voice

- Representation to:
 - JCEP (Joint Council of Extension Professionals)
 - PILD (Public Issues Leadership Development)
- Representation on Journal of Extension editorial board
- Organizational interaction with USDA/NIFA (United States Department of Agriculture/ National Institute of Food and Agriculture)

Networking

- Annual NACDEP conference serves as one of the premier networking events for individuals involved in Extension community and economic development work
- Website (www.nacdep.net) and social media (www.facebook.com/NACDEP) featuring information, links, job postings and other opportunities
- Learn about programming in other parts of the nation
- Build friendships
- Career mentoring
- Opportunities to create partnerships and shared program/research development



Other Benefits

- Quarterly electronic newsletter
- Important email updates
- Opportunity to recruit regional/national/tribal speakers for local/state programming efforts

Membership

• Active membership dues \$90/year. Visit www.nacdep.net for more information

