



**Beaufort County 4-H
Exhibition**



COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Improving the quality of life for
South Carolinians by providing
research-based educational
programs and services

-SEAC Member Qualifications-

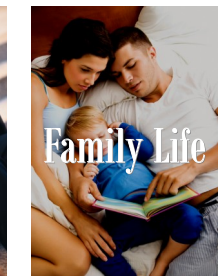
The **State Extension Advancement Council** member has:

- A sincere interest in working with Cooperative Extension Service (CES) professional staff, partnership organizations and other member volunteers at the state, regional and local level.
- High energy and strong commitment to CES program and service initiatives.
- A strong desire to advocate the philosophy and mission of CES.
- The ability to work and communicate effectively in verbal and written form with SEAC members, CES partners, local and state-wide elected officials and CES professional staff.

-SEAC Member Responsibilities-

State Extension Advancement Council members agree to:

- Annually complete a minimum of forty (40) hours of volunteer service in one of more of the following areas: Cooperative Extension Service (CES) Advocacy, Strategic Partnership Planning and Development, CES Program Development and Delivery.
- Attend the two (2) regularly scheduled SEAC meetings per year.
- Attend the County Extension Advancement Council meetings within their region, as is deemed appropriate by CES leadership.
- Attend SEAC-specified training programs.
- Sign a Commitment Letter to these responsibilities.



STATE EXTENSION ADVANCEMENT COUNCIL

Clemson University and **South Carolina State University**, South Carolina's land-grant universities, work to carry out their mission of improving the quality of life for South Carolinians by providing research-based educational programs and services through Cooperative Extension.

The **administrators and staff of Cooperative Extension** partner with

- local, rural, and statewide businesses,
- public education,
- colleges, and
- industry

to develop and implement programs and services offered in the areas of agriculture, 4-H and youth, food safety, nutrition, the environment, community and economic development, and home and family.



The **State Extension Advancement Council (SEAC)** is comprised of community leaders, strategic partners and concerned citizens who have a vested interest in Extension from across the state of South Carolina. SEAC members provide guidance regarding the direction of Extension, act as advocates on behalf of Extension, and understand the vital role Extension plays in developing and delivering research, education and regulatory programs that support the state's largest industry, the \$34 billion agriculture and forestry (agribusiness) sector.

We invite you to join Clemson University and SC State University and become a SEAC member. This is your opportunity to invest your time and abilities to become a part of the land-grant mission to serve the State and its citizens. Become an engaged participant in furthering education and research for future generations of South Carolinians.

Benefits of Becoming a SEAC Member

As a SEAC member, you will have the opportunity to:

- Gain a stronger knowledge and appreciation for the Cooperative Extension System;
- Develop new and enduring statewide contacts and friendships;
- Develop and expand communication and leadership skills;
- Learn organizational and time management skills and other developmental skills that add to and strengthen your experience portfolio;
- Impact community/regional issues and strengthen/expand your civic involvement.

For more information, please visit our website:

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SC State University 1890 Research & Extension and Clemson University Extension provide tremendous public value to families, communities and businesses throughout the Palmetto State.

The land-grant programs are committed to empowering South Carolinians to improve quality of life and enhance their economic well-being through research, teaching and service.

We play an integral role in agribusiness, the state's leading industry. We work to ensure access to



Earth's natural resources and its splendor are available for generations to come by enhancing sustainability practices, and we are improving communities with 4-H youth programs; nutrition, health and wellness initiatives; and community and economic development programs.

Undoubtedly, together, we are change agents not only for the state of South Carolina but also for the nation and the world.

Dr. Louis Whitesides

1890 Research Administrator,
South Carolina State University