



2017 Annual Report

The **purpose** of NCECA shall be to empower individuals and families to improve their quality of living through continuing education, leadership development and community service.

The **mission** of NCECA, Inc. shall be:

To Strengthen Families and Communities through

- Leadership Development
- Community Action
- Educational Support through research-based education from North Carolina State University and North Carolina A & T State University

North Carolina Extension & Community Association, Inc.

2200
members

182
clubs

72
counties
with ECA
presence

MOU
with NCSU -
Agricultural
and Human
Sciences

366, 218 volunteer hours

An **\$8,448,649.26** gift to
fellow North Carolinians!

For more than one hundred years, ECA members have been leaders in their communities by identifying needs and rallying the people and resources to meet those needs.

Areas of focus include:

- Education
 - NC State Employee's Credit Union *Reality of Money*
 - Human Trafficking
- Leadership Development
 - Master FCS Volunteer
 - Women's Leadership
- Community Service
 - Meeting local needs
 - Boys & Girls Homes
 - Support for Military Families
 - Ronald McDonald House
- Volunteer support for Agricultural and Human Sciences
 - Eat Smart Cook Smart
 - Faithful families
 - Master Food Volunteer
 - Eat Local, Eat Healthy

Education



Members from the Wayne County ECA had the opportunity to participate in the Extension Master Food Volunteer Pilot Program and completed more than 30 hours of training.



Lee County's Hearts and Hands ECA Quilters provide instruction for 4-H Crazy Quilters Summer camp!

Leadership



*Eat Local . . .
Eat Healthy*

NCECA members made almost 3000 purchases of local foods. 750 members grew their own food! Some members reported using apples and blackberries planted by God.



The Carteret County ECA Curb Market was built in 1936 and is celebrating its 80th year!

Marketing



The Currituck Cooperative Extension and ECA sponsor the Annual Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting program. ECA members and Extension staff donated cookies and packaged 300 bags of goodies to be given to those who attended the annual event. They also donated hot chocolate mix, cups and baggies to help make this event a success.

Cleveland County ECA at Foothills Farmers Market *Power of Produce*.



2017 Leadership Team

President – Judy Blythe (SE)
President-elect – Shelby Ford (SC)
Past President - Faye Lanier (NC)

VPs

Northeast – Juanita Nobles, Pitt County
Southeast – Angela Abrams, Wilson County
North Central – Lois Williams, Franklin County
South Central – Donna Springle, Harnett County
West – Sue Myers, Henderson County

Liaison Agents

Northeast – Leigh Guth, Pitt County
Southeast – Cassidy Hobbs, Wilson County
North Central – Morris White, Durham County
South Central – Greg Huneycutt, Harnett County
West – Renee Knapp, Henderson County

Appointed Parliamentarian – Wanda Denning, Wake County

Appointed Treasurer – Faye Lanier, Durham County

Association Advisor – Geri Bushel, NCSU

CVU Coordinator – Anne Gaddis, Lenoir County

Cultural Arts Chairs– Louise Faison, Wayne County and Ruby Brinson, Duplin County



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