NWA NAFEC Article

Thanks to all the States efforts to get NAFEC information to their COC members during this year's election and reorganizational meetings. NAFEC has seen some positive numbers in their membership. Nebraska did add another NAFEC Director, Lisa Reinick and encourages all States to have at least one Director who assists COC members in that State answer any questions or help resolve local issues. The latest NAFEC membership numbers for the NWA are 111 paid and 82 with 444's. State numbers are:

Idaho – 7 (4 w/444's) Washington - 3 (4 w/444's) Wyoming - 6 (4 w/444's)

Montana - 11 (19 w/444's)

North Dakota -8 (1 w/444)South Dakota - 40 (32 w/444's)

Nebraksa – 36 (18 w/444's)

You can find the past Administrator's welcome video and a History & Information Training presentation on the www.fsacountycommittees.org website to assist you in discussing NAFEC with your local COC members. A membership form can be downloaded from the home page. These membership forms are sent to JM Marketing for recording. JM Marketing has some great group benefit products and can be another reason a COC member, past or present, to become a member of NAFEC.

I encourage all COC and NAFEC Members to view the Coalition Letter to Congress regarding Ag Budget Cuts dated February 21, 2017 and posted to the NAFEC website. Now is the time to increase membership more than ever, become a regular or associate member today!

NAFEC and JM Marketing have also announced their 2017 Scholarship. This is a \$1,000 scholarship for current or past COC member and paying full dues as a regular member of NAFEC and have a child, grandchild or great grandchild that has graduated from high school and is enrolled, or in the process of enrolling into an accredited college, university, or trade school this fall. The deadline to submit the NAFEC Scholarship application is June 23, 2017. Further information can be found at http://fsacountycommittees.org/newsletters-annoucements/.

If any NWA State would like to set up conference calls for COC members please let me know. I am willing to do individual calls with a COC or a calls for the entire State at set times.

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