



ACCOMPLISHMENTS

2017

ESTABLISHED REGIONAL CAUCUSES

NUEL established regional caucuses in the five ECOP regions. Each region has a regional caucus leader expected to foster collaboration throughout the region to address the needs of urban centers in the five NUEL focus areas. The regional caucus leader will also solicit submissions of impact stories for the NUEL website and the national land-grant university impact database.

CO-HOSTED THE NATIONAL URBAN EXTENSION CONFERENCE IN ST. PAUL, MN

NUEL played a significant part in setting the agenda and theme as well as coordinating the Administrative Track conference efforts as part of the 2017 conference in St. Paul, MN. NUEL awarded Jackie Davis-Manigaulte, Cornell University Cooperative Extension of New York City, the 2017 Leadership Award in Urban Extension. Additionally, a liaison from NUEL will assist with the 2019 national urban Extension conference planning.

ORGANIZED REGIONAL URBAN EXTENSION CONFERENCES

The Northeast Regional Caucus held an Urban Extension Conference in late November 2016 in Newark, NJ to highlight research and projects that are helping to build more resilient, sustainable, and healthy urban communities. The Southern Regional Caucus and the 1890s Regional Caucus also hosted an Urban Extension Conference in August 2017 in Chattanooga, TN. This conference was the first-ever convened for the Southern Regional Caucus and was designed for urban Extension professionals to explore the changing demographics of the region and to share innovative program models with successful partnerships.

COORDINATED THE JOURNAL OF HUMAN SCIENCES AND EXTENSION: URBAN EXTENSION SPECIAL ISSUE

NUEL coordinated a special edition of the Journal of Human Sciences and Extension that focused on urban Extension (Volume 5, Number 2). The articles were based upon the National Urban Extension Framework published in 2015 and decades of applied research. The invited authors addressed the distinct aspect of Extension in urban settings through meaningful examples of research, practice, and theory related to Extension positioning, programs, personnel, and partnerships.

DEVELOPED A PLATFORM FOR SHARING URBAN EXTENSION IMPACTS

NUEL has been successful at adapting and modifying the NUEL success story format so stories can easily be submitted to the Land-Grant University Impacts Database. A protocol has been established to accept success stories for the NUEL website that provides the author with information about how to submit the story to the land-grant university impacts database using the keyword "urban."



PREPARED A DOCUMENT

“ENGAGE THE NATIONAL URBAN EXTENSION NETWORK”

This document is intended to help market Extension’s work in urban communities to potential project partners.

DEVELOPED A ONE-PAGER FOR A GREEN STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVE

NUEL prepared this one-pager as an example of an urban Extension initiative that began as a regional effort and can easily be expanded into a national initiative.

PREPARED EXTENSION URBAN EXTENSION COUNTY DIRECTOR COMPETENCY GUIDELINES

NUEL released a pilot competency framework for urban county Extension directors through eXtension that is based on competency-based education programs designed to align resources and training with the needs of Extension professionals.

THE JOINT COUNCIL OF EXTENSION PROFESSIONALS (JCEP) LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, ORLANDO, FL

The JCEP Leadership Conference Planning Committee invited NUEL to present a poster to share our expertise in the future of Extension. NUEL focused on increasing awareness of goals and initiatives of NUEL across regions. The poster also helped to discuss ECOP’s national urban initiative.



The National Urban Extension Leaders (NUEL) was formed in December 2013 with a purpose to advocate and advance the strategic importance and long term value of urban Extension activities by being relevant locally, responsive statewide, and recognized nationally.