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Living Well Campaign: Our committee offered the Wellness Wednesday Challenge to our members for the month of February to provide materials for agents to utilize in their counties.

Focused on 4 Dimensions of Wellness:

1. Environmental: Take back your space (Brandi)
2. Financial: How to build an emergency fund, stretching your food budget (Greg)
3. Social, Spiritual, Emotional: shared tips plus how Extension groups are a great way to get involved in the community
4. Physical: New food prep ideas (Margie)

Educational materials were placed in a shared google drive and weekly videos were shared. There were 15 out of 36 participants who completed both the pre and post survey and were eligible for a raffle for an educational extender, which Sarah Kirby sponsored.

Margie Mansure attended the 2023 Public Issues Leadership Development conference (PILD)

- NEAFCS created a front and back impact report for various areas of FCS. NC is featured under Food and Nutrition. Margie compiled this report based on your ERS reporting.
- Our state advisory council members visited legislative assistants to advocate for federal funding.
- Attended sessions on connecting with other agents nationally. Through the Extension Foundation, you can connect to Extension professionals across the country who are working on health equity and well-being issues. Go to extension.org, click on tools and then join connect. There is also a registry of FCS programs across the country, with descriptions and contact information.