

UF/IFAS ESCAMBIA COUNTY EXTENSION COUNCIL MEMBER JOB DESCRIPTION

All Zones

General Description

Represent your organization that serves the people of Escambia County. Share their needs and concerns. Serve as a catalyst and leader in shaping the vision for Extension in support of Escambia County citizens within the scope and mission of UF/IFAS Extension.

Specific Responsibilities

- Attend quarterly council meetings as scheduled.
- Seek out needs and issues of clientele you represent.
- Learn about all programs of Extension.
- Advocate for Extension as opportunities arise.
- Suggest resources to contribute to Extension educational programs.
- Contribute personal expertise, information, and time as available and needed to support Extension's efforts in Escambia County.

Time Required

- Two-year term of membership.
- May be eligible for a second term.
- 4-6 council meetings per year; 1-2 hours in length.
- Committee meetings as assigned.

Resources Available

- Extension Council guide
- Extension staff
- Escambia Extension Agents' Plan of Work reports
- Extension educators within the region
- Regional and State Advisory Councils

Training Opportunities

Several training opportunities, including orientation, are available to council members throughout their term of service. This council operates under the Florida Sunshine Law and members are required to attend training provided by the Escambia County Attorney's staff at a regularly scheduled Extension Council meeting.

Organizational Relationships

Council members work primarily with the County Extension Director. There is generally regular interaction with Extension Agents and also staff members, as well as Extension educators who serve Escambia County. Council members may be asked for input from the regional Extension Director or other members of UF administration.

Qualifications:

- Live in the geographic area noted.
- Interest in enhancing the educational efforts of Escambia County.
- Ability to work collaboratively in an advisory capacity with Extension staff and volunteers.