

## What Does MACEDEP Do?

Through volunteer efforts provided by organizational committees and members at large, the Association...

- encourages and supports the application of the principles of community resource economic development throughout University of Missouri Extension;
- encourages, supports, and creates opportunities for the professional and personal improvement of its members;
- recognizes extraordinary service to the Association, to the MU Extension, and to the people of the State of Missouri;
- and provides representation of Community Resource and Economic Development programming to University of Missouri and extension administration.

## What Awards are Offered?

Distinguished Career Award

Educational Technology Award

Excellence in Teamwork Award

Cross Program Award

Excellence in Community Resource  
and Economic Development Award

## How Can I Join?

**Membership in MACEDEP** is open to all staff and faculty with University of Missouri Extension. Cost is only \$25 per year and is payable at the annual meeting. To join MACEDEP at other times, print out the membership form found on the MACEDEP web site at:  
<http://extension.missouri.edu/macedep/>

Another excellent organization for professional development is NACDEP (National Association for Community Development Extension Professionals). This is our national Extension voice, and we are the official chapter of NACDEP. It is an organization dedicated to improving the visibility, coordination, professional status and resource base of community and economic development Extension programs and professionals. See their website for more details: <http://www.nacdep.net/>

Prospective members are also able to join UMEA (University of Missouri Extension Association) for an additional \$30 per year. UMEA provides a direct link with administration and a voice for Extension staff. Visit the UMEA web site at:  
<http://extension.missouri.edu/umea/>

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## **Business Development Program & Activities**

Success in business development is demanding. The Extension professional must be an expert in business development including human resources, marketing, international trade, strategic business planning and much more.

MACEDep gives a voice to those Extension professionals who help Missourians start a business, stay in business, and be successful in business. Membership in MACEDep offers numerous opportunities for professional development.

As a member of MACEDep you will network with business development colleagues to see how others are accomplishing goals and developing solutions to business problems. You can connect with other extension professionals outside business & community development offices (such as tourism or natural resources, etc.) who may have valuable information and perspectives that may be critical to business development.

Your membership in MACEDep offers you exposure to a vast network of professional colleagues, and with it the sharing of access to nationwide contacts. Community development education helps citizens create viable and resilient communities based on existing assets. It builds leadership and organizational capacity. It improves public decision making, broadens participating and partnerships, and fosters creativity and innovation.



## **Community Development Program & Activities**

University of Missouri Extension helps people create communities of the future. Community development education helps citizens and organizations improve the quality of life in their communities. It helps start-up not-for-profit organizations, and other organizations, through board member training and strategic planning.

Missouri communities are made up of more than the people who live and work there. Every community is a tight-knit fabric of relationships, woven by the leadership of its citizens and partnerships of local businesses and agencies to build better lives for all residents.

Membership in MACEDep provides a link to other Community Development professionals within MU Extension. It gives an opportunity to share programming and to support others in this profession.

The Community Development Program works collaboratively with communities to foster economic development, leadership development, community decision making, community emergency preparedness and inclusive communities.