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To: County Extension Directors  
From: Susan A. Kelly, Assistant Extension Director, County Operations  
Date: January 3, 2024  
Re: Annual State Advisory Council Contribution Request

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan A. Kelly".

The North Carolina Extension Advisory Leadership System is a valuable partner to Cooperative Extension faculty and staff, giving Extension its grassroots connection to communities and audiences across North Carolina. I am pleased to share with you that we have an active and dynamic State Advisory Council, thanks in great part to your nominations to this 31-member council, and thanks to former SAC liaison Cameron Lowe and current SAC liaison Molly Alexi.

This past year, the State Advisory Council members have actively represented NC Cooperative Extension to our state and federal legislators, met in an annual joint meeting with the NC A & T State University counterparts (SPC), attended the five district advisory trainings, and have offered services to your local councils. They have plans to provide more training and advocacy this year.

In addition, the State Advisory Council has reinstated the County Advisory Support Grants, providing funds directly to county centers in September and March each year. Our first round of applications resulted in the following awards:

- **Beaufort County** received funding to sponsor a forum, to bring awareness of the Extension partnership between Beaufort County Government, NC State, and stakeholders.
- **Mecklenburg County** plans to use funds to host a 2-day strategic training forum around urban Extension strategies.
- **Nash County** applied on behalf of the Northeast District to support the annual District Advisory Council Training in the spring.
- With the grant funds, **Orange County** has held an advisory council led Report to the People with food, informational booths, and tools for the advisory council.
- **Person County** will hold an advisory member training, to integrate old and new members.

We traditionally have asked each Extension Center to support the State Advisory Council work by submitting an annual payment of \$100. These funds are used only for travel to the counties, and to support the County Advisory Support grants, so they benefit each of your county advisory councils. Grant eligibility requires regular annual assessment contributions. **Please submit your 2024 contribution/invoice by February 15, 2024. Thank you for your support!**



# INVOICE

## 2024 NC State Advisory Assessment

**Payable to:**

**Cooperative Extension Advisory Council**

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**Terms**

Invoice #SAC2024	Due February 15, 2024
Annual Contribution For 2024	\$100

**County Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail check to the address above, payable to Cooperative Extension Advisory Council by February 15, 2024**

Questions? Please contact Susan Kelly – [susan\\_kelly@ncsu.edu](mailto:susan_kelly@ncsu.edu) Thank you!