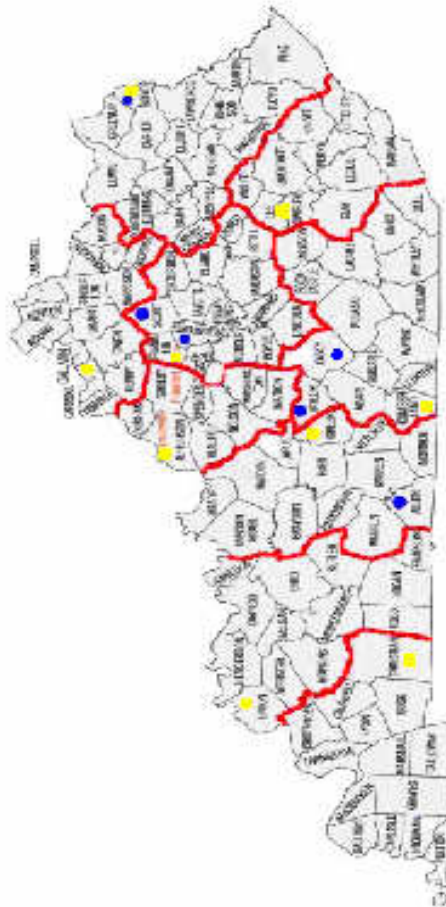


The nine Kentucky Association of Conservation District Employee areas are defined by red lines. Current officer locations (blue dots) and the area representatives (yellow squares).



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WHAT IS KACDE:

The KACDE is a not-for-profit organization whose primary function is to help develop, promote and strengthen conservation districts and their programs in the state of Kentucky. The Association's governing body is an Executive Committee and Board of Representatives consisting of elected officers and area representatives.

KACDE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

- ❖ To assist in strengthening local conservation districts and their programs
- ❖ To provide assistance to local boards of supervisors and employees of SWCD's
- ❖ To assist any agency, association, group, organization, municipality, or individual who, in the spirit of cooperation, share the same common goals of proper land use and conservation
- ❖ To promote, create and work to improve the efficiency of operations in SWCD offices
- ❖ To provide a vehicle for personal development of the organizational members and district employees and to assist them in preparing to execute their duties

WHO SHOULD JOIN KACDE:

Any SWCD employee, full or part-time, of a legally formed SWCD in the Commonwealth of Kentucky who aspires to improve their professionalism, develop a network to share experiences and ideas, assist in area, regional and state conservation initiatives, and increase their knowledge of soil and water conservation programs. In addition to regular memberships, non-voting associate (i.e. supervisors, NRCS personnel, etc.) and corporate memberships are available.

"WORKING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER THROUGH PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT"

KACDE MEMBER BENEFITS:

- Opportunity to help design training specific to the needs of SWCD employees
- Networking with counterparts and employees with similar interests
- Opportunity to provide input to conservation leadership on matters affecting employees and workplace concerns
- Opportunity to provide leadership and input within a statewide organization

SUCCESSFUL KACDE ACTIVITIES:

- Provide annual training workshops for all district employees
- Sponsored luncheon cruises on the Ohio River, Louisville; hosted SECDEA luncheon at 2005 KACD/SE NACD Convention
- Sponsored business luncheon at Moonlite Bar-B-Que and KACD Annual Conventions
- Sponsored Western KY Botanical Gardens tour and luncheon
- Published "Coolin' in the Country" cookbook
- Created and maintain statewide District Employee Photo Directory
- Created and maintain official KACDE website www.kacde.org

WHY KACDE NEEDS YOU:

The strength of any organization is in its membership. We strive to give the employees of Kentucky's 121 conservation districts a voice in helping to develop a higher level of professionalism within their offices and to make them inclusive in policies and decisions that affect conservation in their workplaces. As a larger body, we help chart a direction that provides an opportunity for SWCD employees to play a more active role in the successes of our conservation districts and the conservation

movement in Kentucky. To become a member, complete the membership form, submit with your annual dues and become active in your area and at the association's functions.

Mail KACDE membership form with dues (check payable to KACDE) to:

Valorie Floyd, KACDE Treasurer
Casey County Soil & Water Conservation District
20 Liberty Square, Liberty, KY 42539

KACDE MEMBERSHIP Membership Year: July 1st – June 30th

- _____ \$12.00 District Employee Membership
- _____ \$12.00 Associate Membership
- _____ \$25.00 Group/Organization Membership

Name:

District/Agency:

Position/Title:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

Email:

CIRCLE AREAS OF YOUR GREATEST STRENGTH:

- Financial Management (Quicken/Quickbooks)
- Time Management/Organizational Skills
- Self-Motivation
- SWCD/NRCS Filing System
- Newsletter/Brochure Development
- Word Processing/Database/Spreadsheet Skills
- Web Page Development
- Heavy Equipment Loan Program Mgmt.
- State Cost-Share Program Mgmt.
- Planning/Organizing Field Days/Events
- Unique Environmental Education Programs