




ALL ABOUT EDEN



EDEN OVERVIEW



WHAT IS EDEN?

- EDEN is a nationwide network of Extension professionals from Land-grant Universities (1862, 1890, and 1994), Sea Grant institutions, and dedicated partners.
 - EDEN reduces the impact of disasters by bringing together and coordinating the expertise and resources of the Cooperative Extension System to address the critical needs of individuals, families, and communities.
 - Supported by the USDA-NIFA through the Food and Agricultural Defense Initiative (FADI) grant, which is hosted by the Extension Foundation
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MISSION

The Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN) mission is to reduce the impact of disasters by ensuring research-based resources are readily available to the Cooperative Extension System, stakeholders, and communities.

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Enhance the abilities of individuals, families, organizations, agencies, and businesses to prepare for, prevent, mitigate, and recover from disasters.

2

Serve as a national source for research-based disaster education.

3

Strengthen Extension's capacity and commitment to address disaster issues.

4

Strengthen EDEN's capacity to provide research-based disaster education.





MEMBERSHIP



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Institutions, rather than individuals, are EDEN members. A land-grant extension institution or program becomes a member when the director or administrator names a point of contact and submits an EDEN Cooperative Agreement.





LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE



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EDEN operates through a network of dedicated individuals and committees, guided by an Executive Committee and supported by the Food and Agricultural Defense Initiative (FADI-EDEN) team.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- Immediate Past Chair
- Standing Committee Chairs
- Liaisons
- Advisory Group Representatives
- FADI-EDEN Team (non-voting)

OFFICER TEAM

- Chair
 - Chair-Elect
 - Secretary
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STRUCTURE

EDEN consists of more than 400 dedicated volunteers representing more than 75 different areas of expertise

- Each institution has one point of contact (POC)
- Institutions may have additional delegates












HOW TO SUPPORT EDEN



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-  Provide travel support for at least one Point of Contact and/or delegate to EDEN's annual national meeting
 -  Encourage staff to pursue partnerships with their state Emergency Management Agency, and agencies and organizations active in disaster preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation
 -  Encourage all staff to be involved with state-level partnerships to participate in available training
 -  Encourage educators/agents and specialists to contribute their expertise to disaster education
 -  Recognize disaster education accomplishments in performance evaluation and promotion and tenure processes
 -  Complete an annual written report of EDEN activities and accomplishments.
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DELEGATE BENEFITS



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Career and Professional Development:

Access a wealth of learning opportunities, resources, and expert knowledge in disaster education.



Networking:

Connect with a nationwide community of dedicated Extension professionals working in disaster preparation, mitigation, response, and recovery.



Collaboration:

Partner on impactful projects and initiatives to enhance community resilience.



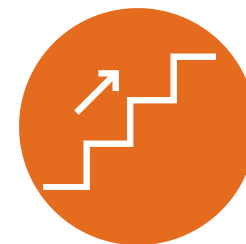
Resource Sharing

Access and contribute to a valuable collection of disaster education materials.



Visibility and Impact:

Showcase your work and expertise through presentations, publications, and network activities.



Professional Advancement:

Engagement in a national network like EDEN can strengthen your professional profile and contributions relevant to promotion and tenure.





GETTING INVOLVED



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Join a Committee



Attend the Annual Conference



Contribute to Response Notes



Submit Resources



Serve as a Grant Reviewer



Engage in State-Level Activities



Participate in Exercises



**Participate in Professional
Development/Webinars**





HOW EDEN COMMUNICATES



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- Website
- Announcement/Marketing Emails
- Social Media (Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram, and X)
- EDEN Calendar
- Listservs
- EDEN Intranet (Connect Extension)



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