I welcome the opportunity to dialogue and interact with my colleagues around the issue of diversity. The professional opportunities I have had through Extension and my local community have shown me that resistance to difference is most often a lack of education and experience. Extension has the capacity to "make a difference" with respect to diversity. We must show by example that we do more than tolerate difference – but rather that we respect and value it for the power it brings in making families and communities healthy.

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BACKGROUND
My professional and personal experiences have given me some insight about diversity and the challenges that currently exist in the workplace and in communities.

I am a charter member of the Alexander International Center Board. This group seeks to promote inclusiveness of the international community in Alexander County by facilitating successful adjustment to life in the United States. For five years I have given leadership to one of our key projects: the English as a Second Language (ESL) Back to School Welcome event.

I also serve as a volunteer on the Community Relations Council for the Alexander Correctional Institution.