PLANNING YOUR PUBLICATION

Whether you need to create a newsletter, brochure or a custom publication, start with these questions to help organize your ideas and identify the purpose and your audience.

Why is this piece needed?	How many copies do I need?
Who will read it?	When will it need to be reprinted?
Will it be sent by itself or with other publications?	Will photographs need to be taken or other artwork produced?
What information must be included?	Who should write the text?
What else would I like to include if space allows?	What is my budget?
What do I want the readers to do as a result of reading this piece?	When and where do I want the finished publication delivered?
Should the publication be a specific size or shape? (For example, must it fit in a business-size envelope, be a selfmailer or be the same size as other publications with which it will be used?)	How will this information be shared on my website?
	If you want a reprint of a previous publication, which elements, if any, should be changed before reprinting?

