



# CEMA Silent Auction

## Benefiting the CEMA Scholarship Program

### FAQ's about the Colorado Emergency Management Association and the Conference Silent Auction

#### Q. What is the Colorado Emergency Management Association (CEMA)?

A. CEMA is a professional association representing the public, private, volunteer, and non-government organization (NGO) emergency management community in Colorado. CEMA's role is to provide representation on many state-wide committees, working groups and emergency management program teams. For more information, visit the CEMA website at [www.cemacolorado.com](http://www.cemacolorado.com).

#### Q. What is the Colorado Emergency Management Conference?

A. Each year, the Association and State of Colorado hold a conference, which is open to all emergency management professionals, voluntary agencies and partner agencies. The purpose of the conference is to enhance the knowledge and skills necessary to increase homeland security and emergency management capabilities by highlighting evolving best practices in the field, as well as lessons learned from recent disasters.

#### Q. What is the CEMA Silent Auction?

A. The CEMA Silent Auction was developed as a means to allow those whose budgets may not be sufficient for them to attend the conference. The Silent Auction provides scholarships to cover the cost of conference registration fees. 100% of the auction proceeds go to the scholarship fund. The number of scholarships awarded, by year: twelve in 2018, sixteen in 2017, fifteen in 2016, fifteen in 2015, and thirty-seven in 2014. Through the Silent Auction, CEMA also provides scholarships to the annual International Association of Emergency Managers Conference.

#### Q. Is my donation to the Silent Auction tax deductible?

A. Contributions or gifts to CEMA, a 501(c)6 entity are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes. They may be deductible as trade or business expenses, please consult your tax professional to find out more.

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