We Invite You to Participate in This Year's Silent Auction at the NEAFCS Annual Conference

Awards and Sponsorships Support Committee

So, how can you help with the 2024 auction?

Donate:

As a State Affiliate: What is your state's claim to fame? Consider donating an item that is unique to your state? (e.g., Ohio: Chocolates from Grandpa's Cheese Barn, Mississippi: French Camp Pottery) We are asking each state affiliate to donate one item in this year's auction.

As an Individual: Do you have a special talent that you would like to share with your Extension colleagues? Do you knit, sew, do woodwork, paint, make jewelry, bake, etc.? Share your creativity with a handmade craft or donate a "one size fits all" item.

As you are thinking of what to donate, select an item, or items, that are easy for you to ship directly to the winner, or could be easily added to the winner's luggage to take home. Whether you work in a county- or state-based office, consider this an opportunity for a team project, and donate a basket or individual item for the Silent Auction. We would be thrilled to have a donation from every state!

Next Steps:

The Silent Auction will be open **live** and **in person, no online bidding this year,** during the first two days of the conference, **September 16 & 17.** Download and fill out the **Silent Auction Donation form** and submit to <u>awards@neafcs.org</u> by the September 1, 2024, deadline. If you are shipping your item to the winner, please make sure to take at least one picture (more are encouraged!) and send it along with the form when you email it to us. We place your picture on display at the auction. For items that you wish to bring to Arizona, you can drop off your donation at the registration desk.

Don't forget to prepare your shopping list so you can **participate as a bidder** even if you cannot donate this year! These auction items are always unique and thoughtful, and the auction will be held just in time for the fall season, those fall/winter birthdays, or even planning for December!



Thanks so very much for your support!