IAEM-USA Region 9 Monthly Report – March 2017 Submitted by Carolyn J. Harshman, CEM IAEM-USA Region 9 President

- 1. Presented hour-long presentation on AEM/CEM to the full membership of the Arizona Emergency Services Association annual conference in Tucson (February 15, 2017). In addition, staffed an exhibition booth at the AESA conference and fielded dozens of questions about AEM/CEM. Already invited back to the AESA mid-year conference to conduct the day-long AEM/CEM Exam, Overview & Mentoring Workshop. Special thanks to CEM Commissioner Valerie Lucus-McEwen for helping out with staffing the booth and answering AEM/CEM questions.
- 2. Answered communications about members seeking jobs, networking, and questions about AEM/CEM requirements.
- 3. Attended Board Mid-year Retreat at IAEM Headquarters in Falls Church, VA. Excellent exchange of ideas and perceptions for enhancing membership experience.
- 4. Talking with various Region 9 members about the possibility of hosting an AEM/CEM Exam, Overview & Mentoring Workshop. Trying to utilize existing groups of emergency managers (e.g. UASI meetings, emergency manager associations, etc.). So far, interest has been shown in the San Francisco Bay Area and the Uniformed Services Caucus members in Hawaii.
- 5. Actively involved with the Conference Committee and Local Host Committee to identify possible tours for participants during the upcoming IAEM annual conference in Long Beach, CA. Also, assisted the IAEM Student Council in arranging for their annual "Day of Service" where Student Council and other interested attendees participate in a day of volunteering time to a cause in close proximity to the annual conference.