



## **IAEM 2026 and Beyond**

**Presented by:** Todd DeVoe, CEM

**Presentation Abstract:** The future of the International Association of Emergency Managers will be shaped by the people who step forward to build it. In this energizing session, Todd T. DeVoe challenges IAEM Region 9 members to move beyond membership and into leadership. This rally-style talk will highlight the vital role volunteers play in strengthening the profession, expanding IAEM's impact, and preparing the organization for the challenges ahead. Attendees will leave inspired to engage, serve on committees, mentor the next generation, and help shape IAEM's future.

### **Speaker Bio:**

Todd DeVoe, CEM is the current 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of IAEM. He is an accomplished emergency management professional, educator, and leader whose extensive career and diverse background provide him with a unique and practical perspective, which he integrates into his roles in emergency management, education, leadership, and policy advocacy.

Todd serves as the editor-in-chief of The EMN newsletter, which has become a leading resource for professionals in the field. His contributions include numerous white papers and studies on key issues in the field. He also co-authored *Campus Crisis Management: A Comprehensive Guide for Practitioners*, further cementing his position as a thought leader.

Todd's educational background includes a Master's in Public Administration and an emergency management Master's. This is complemented by completing the National Emergency Management Executive Academy's Cohort VII. This foundation allows Todd to focus on essential topics such as crisis leadership, business continuity,

sustainability, and fostering resilience in organizations and communities.

Beyond his academic contributions, Todd is critical in advancing the emergency management profession. As 1st Vice-President of the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM), he has successfully led initiatives to increase membership, elevate the number of certified emergency managers (CEMs), and strengthen emergency management's voice in public policy discussions. His leadership has directly influenced legislative efforts to professionalize the field and advocate for more robust funding and support for local, state, and federal emergency management.