

ICA 2020 Cattle Drive

Please update your contact information, if necessary, and return with your donation in the enclosed postage paid envelope.

Organization:

Name::

Address:

County:

City:

State:

Phone:

Email:

Option 1 - Check or Credit Card Donation

Please make check to ICA

Enclosed is my contribution to the 2020 Cattle Drive of:

___ \$100 ___ \$250 ___ \$500 ___ \$1000 ___ other (\$)

Please charge my 2020 Cattle Drive contribution of \$ _____ to the credit card indicated below:

Name as it appears on the card: _____

Card Type (AMEX/DISCOVER/MC/VISA): _____

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security

Code: _____

Signature: _____

Option 2—Calf or Cow Donation:

I'll donate the proceeds of a calf or cow sold at _____ auction market.

(Just notify the livestock auction market staff to send the proceeds to ICA.)

Thank you for supporting the 2020 Cattle Drive!

Please check the box if your information has changed.



INDEPENDENT CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS, INC.

CATTLE DRIVE 2020

The Texas Legislature is set to reconvene in January, 2021, and this will really be a unique setting. After a decade of increased revenue, this biennium will be much different. Over the past year Covid 19 has had its effects on our state economy. We have experienced lower oil and gas revenue, lower sales tax income and decreased state licensing and fee dollars. Soon legislators will be scrambling to find income to keep the state agencies running smoothly.

There will be zero dollars for new programs and most agencies will be told to decrease spending by 10 - 15%. Fewer new hires and trimmed down budgets will be the marching orders for all agencies. The Texas Department of Health will be the only department to have a chance for more money. Our representatives and senators will be scouring the state economy to find new sources of tax and fee revenue. Many of the new urban legislators will be looking at the tax exemptions enjoyed by agriculture and also giving county governments some of the previous state duties (unfunded mandates).

Your ICA staff, officers, directors and our legislative consultant, Bob Turner, will be in Austin to educate the new members on these issues supporting agriculture and our rural lifestyle. You can bet there will still be the animal rights groups in attendance trying to make your ranch livestock into pets and your ranches open for public inspections.

Hopefully, the violent protests of this past year are a thing of the past, but no matter, ICA will be there just like we have for over fifty-five years. We will not be protesting, but will be justifying our industry and our families. "Fake meat, eminent domain, trespassing, and the right to farm and ranch will be our issues along with **no** new taxes.

Please help us build a war chest to maintain these strategies by donating to the 2020 Cattle Drive. Your generous donations will help ICA deliver agriculture's message to our legislators and state leaders. We will face an uphill battle this session but with your help, we will be successful

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