



Georgia Emergency Communication Conference is a joint effort to bring together the resources of the Georgia Chapters of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officers (APCO) and the National Emergency Number Association (NENA), the two largest and most powerful organizations dedicated to the improvement and advancement of public safety communication in the world to the people of Georgia.

During the 2012 conference in Athens, Georgia awards were given during the annual Awards Banquet. The award of the Georgia Director of the Year is given to an individual that performs the duties of the Director in recognition of their accomplishments in encouraging, motivating and supporting their employees, as well as contributing to their community, region and state. This year's award was presented to Debbie Vance, Director Gordon County E9-1-1.

The award of the Georgia 9-1-1 Center of the Year is given to a center that exhibits outstanding professionalism, leadership, and innovation, and service to the community it serves, as well as to its region and state. This year's award was presented to Gordon County E9-1-1.

Award recipients are chosen from a slate of nominees from around the state. Nominations were sent to the Florida NENA chapter who reviewed the nominations and make recommendations as to the winners. Having another chapter review the nominations removes any chance of favoritism or loss of objectivity; so that everyone can be assured that the winning nominations were considered and awarded to the most deserving nominee.

The Georgia Emergency Communications Conference Committee, on behalf of the Georgia Chapters of APCO and NENA are proud to congratulate Gordon County E9-1-1 and Director Debbie Vance on this achievement.

Respectfully,

Angela Bowen,
GECC Co-Chair