On April 19, 2018 the Utah affiliate of the National Federation of the Blind will be hosting our 61st Annual Convention; where, during the Luncheon on Saturday, April 21st, the majority of items donated will be auctioned. Please attend all general sessions and the banquet; you never know when an auction item might be presented. To make this event as exciting and extraordinary as we hope, we will need your help! Please consider supporting the National Federation of the Blind of Utah by donating gift certificates, merchandise, or services. In continuation of last year’s auction, we are grouping auction items as follows:

1. Chapter Basket(s): A great tradition here in the state of Utah.
2. Handcrafted: Many of our chapters have talented crafters and  
   artists that we hope to showcase.
3. Utah Eats: An item that is consumable, such as chocolate or baked items.
4. Technology

Your donation is tax deductible, and we would be happy to provide our Tax ID number upon request.

Please be in contact with your chapter president if you have an item you would like to donate to the chapter basket or on the chapter’s behalf. We will also accept donations from individuals, but want to make sure each chapter is aware of what sorts of items they already have in hand. You may either bring the item to the convention, or you may contact me to arrange a time to drop it off with an Auction team member.

Due to the popularity of the affiliate auction, we will once again have a viewing room where individuals can place their pre-bid prior to the live auction. Due to time constraints the affiliate will be limiting the live auction to a maximum of 50 items. If we receive adequate auctions items in excess of 50 items, there will be earmarked items set aside as silent auction items; these items will sell to the highest bidder at the end of the pre-bid timeframe.

In order to get the best presentation of our auction items during the luncheon, we are requesting descriptions and a suggested starting bid be sent to Daniel Ashman at djashman2007@gmail.com by Wednesday, April 11, 2018. This will allow the auction team to streamline the process. We will be happy to accept items without descriptions as well as at the convention (deadline for acceptance is Friday, April 19, 2018), but please be advised these items may not be as adequately described as you would like.

Please do not hesitate to contact Daniel Ashman with any questions. Thank you in advance, and your continued generosity will help fund the movement of blind Utahns to “Live the Life they Want”.

Cordially,

Daniel Ashman and Auction Team