

Advance, the Silver State

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The silver state is NEVADA, which is one letter away from an anagram of ADVANCE. It being “so messed up” also clues the solver into the puzzle mechanic: some anagramming is involved. The excessive amounts look suspiciously like zip codes, and they are.

The images pair up in the following manner:

The Excessive Amounts	Image 1	+	Image 2	=	Nevada City	+	Leftover Letter
\$89419	COOK	+	LEVEL	=	LOVELOCK	+	E
\$89024	QUIT (as in smoking)	+	MEMES	=	MESQUITE	+	M
\$89101	VEGA	+	LASSO	=	LAS VEGAS	+	O
\$89701	ARCTIC	+	TYSON (as in Mike)	=	CARSON CITY	+	T
\$89406	FAN	+	LILO	=	FALLON	+	I
\$89431	PARK (as in Grace)	+	SOS	=	SPARKS	+	O
\$89501	NEO	+	RN (as in Registered Nurse)	=	RENO	+	N
\$89008	SINE	+	CLEAT	=	CALIENTE	+	S

The leftover letters make **EMOTIONS**, which are what the place of excess sorely lacks.

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