

### **Chinese American Citizens Alliance**

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# Happy Thanksgiving from Chinese American Citizens Alliance

It's Our Time to Express our Thanks by Giving Back and Paying Forward

Some have said that the best Thursday of every year is *Thanksgiving* Day, (unless Christmas falls on it as it does in some years). It's the single day that you can choose whatever you wish to enjoy and appreciate. Whether it's family, friends, food (yes, Chinese and traditional), football or even Black Friday that dominate the day, we can certainly find moments to appreciate and be grateful for these times.

Thanksgiving is a two-part holiday: the *thanks* part and the *giving* part. For this *Thanksgiving*, please consider where we can offer our exuberant *thanks* by both *giving* back and by paying forward so that others might also experience why we can be so thankful.

At Chinese American Citizens Alliance—













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- We express thanks that we live in the greatest country in the world by giving back to the people and communities who have enriched us.
- We express thanks for the health and welfare of our families and for the daily provisions of shelter and sustenance by *giving* to those individuals and groups that work directly with the underserved and unserved populations.
- We express *thanks* for the opportunities we have to exercise our basic freedom and rights by giving a voice to those whose civil rights and freedoms are denied or not fully exercised.
- We express thanks for those who are veterans and active service members in our military by giving to their families and letting them know we care through various help organizations like the USO and Wounded Warriors.
- We express thanks to our thousands of law enforcement officers for their daily selfless dedication to duty in protecting the public by giving them support and assistance in effective community policing and acknowledging them with respect as public servants.
- We express *thanks* for those champions in leadership of C.A.C.A., like Walter U. Lum, Y.C. Hong, Wilbur Woo, Irvin Lai, Harvey Wong, Henry Gee, who had long range vision and persistence to establish the Alliance and gave it long-term financial life, by likewise *giving* back and paying forward of our monetary resources to multiply their work.
- We express thanks for each of you, as C.A.C.A. members and friends, by giving you opportunities and directives to answer calls to action to preserve and protect the principles and objectives of this 120-year old organization.
- We express thanks, as National Board members, to the local lodge members and friends of Chinese American Citizens Alliance for your confidence by giving our time and talents to advocate for programs and effect policies that enrich and encourage the education and economic improvement of your communities.

-Ed Gor, National President

## Wishing You and Your Family a Happy Thanksgiving

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