



District 5 Holiday Resources

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The Fifth District includes the cities of Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville and Piedmont; the West Oakland, North Oakland and Rockridge communities and portions of the Grand Lake, Manzanita, Dimond District and Fruitvale neighborhoods.

Dear Friends,

During this holiday season, I wish you and your family good health, happiness and safe travels. As we enjoy nourishing food and good company, let us remember those who are less fortunate. Please see the lists below of 2013 holiday food, meals and local shopping resources in Northern Alameda County. All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. There are many opportunities to volunteer and/or donate to support local organizations helping those in need. Please share this information with your networks! I always welcome your thoughts and feedback about our newsletters and communications. Please keep in touch by calling (510) 272-6695 or emailing dist5@acgov.org.

Sincerely,

Supervisor Keith Carson

Thanksgiving Food and Meal Resources



ALAMEDA COUNTY COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

7900 Edgewater Drive, Oakland, CA 94621
If you need food, call the Emergency Food Helpline at 1-(800) 870-FOOD (3663)
For volunteer and donation opportunities, please call 510-635-3663 or visit <http://www.accfb.org>.

BERKELEY FOOD AND HOUSING PROJECT (BFHP)

Thanksgiving Meal

Thursday, November 28, 2013, 2 PM – 5 PM
2362 Bancroft Way, Berkeley CA 94704
For more information or to donate, please call (510) 649-4965 or visit www.bfhp.org.

Holiday Donations, Events and Shopping



CITY OF ALBANY TOY, CLOTHING & FOOD DONATION DRIVE

Drop-off locations:

- Albany City Hall - 1000 San Pablo Avenue
- Albany Community Center Lobby - 1249 Marin Avenue
- Albany Senior Center Lobby - 846 Masonic Avenue (food only)

The donation drive runs from November 4 through December 20, 2013. For more information, please visit <http://albanyca.org/index.aspx?recordid=2492&page=18>.



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**COLLEGE AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Thanksgiving Day Meal**

Thursday, November 28, 2013, 11:00 AM-1:00 PM
5951 College Avenue, Oakland, CA

If you wish to donate or sign up to volunteer for preparation or day-of shifts, please contact Kathryn in the church office at (510) 658-3665 or by email to capc1@sbcglobal.net or register online at <http://capcoakland.wordpress.com/thanksgiving/>.

**LAKE MERRITT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Thanksgiving Day Meal**

Thursday, November 28, 2013, 12 pm
1255 1st Avenue, Oakland, CA

Free and open to the public. For more information, please call (510) 465-4793 .

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OF ALAMEDA COUNTY
Thanksgiving Day Meal**

Thursday, November 28, 2013, 10:45 AM - 12:45 PM

675 - 23rd Street, Oakland, CA 94612

To volunteer, call (510) 877-9252 or email:

volunteer@svdp-alameda.org

For more information, please visit

<http://www.svdp-alameda.org/>.

TWO STAR MARKET (OAKLAND'S DIMOND DISTRICT)

11th Annual Thanksgiving Day Celebration

Thursday, November 28, 2012, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
2020 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland, CA 94602

For more information, please call (510) 531-3576 or visit <http://www.2starmarket.com/>.



BOSS HOLIDAY DRIVE

Now through New Year's, BOSS is collecting gifts and other needed items to help give the homeless families and individuals in their programs holidays full of warmth, compassion, hope, and joy, no matter what challenges they are facing. Items needed include towels and toiletries, blankets and sleeping bags, new socks, gift cards, and warm coats. To get involved, contact Sonja at (510) 649-1930 x 222 or sfitz@self-sufficiency.org.



CITY OF OAKLAND TOY DRIVE

Sign-up for eligible, Low-income families

Saturday, December 7, 2013, 10 AM – 1 PM

Oakland City Hall, Hearing Room 3

You need to bring:

Picture ID, Proof of Oakland residence (rent agreement, PG&E or phone bill), Proof of Children's ages (birth certificate, medical card or social security number) Ages 0-12, Proof of income (IRS statement or paycheck stub).

For more information, please call (510) 777-8697.

GIFT DONATIONS NEEDED!

Harvest Fellowship Church
620 – 42nd St., Oakland, CA 94609

<http://harvestfellowship.com/site/>

Donations are needed for families at Harvest Fellowship Church. For more information, please contact Pastor Chris Williams at (510) 469-7327 or email at pastor@harvestfellowship.com.





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PLAID FRIDAY

Friday, November 29, 2013
Downtown Oakland

Plaid Friday offers an alternative to "Black Friday" and is designed to support both local and independently-owned businesses during the holidays.

Sponsored by: Oakland Grown, East Bay Express, the Downtown/ Uptown business districts, In the Black, Oaklandish and others. For more information, please visit <http://plaidfriday.com/>.

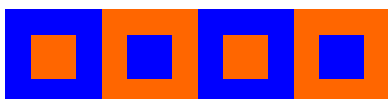
MONTCLAIR VILLAGE 11TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY STROLL

Thursday, December 5, 2013, 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Enjoy 10 School and Professional Performances, photos with Santa and special discounts and promotions are offered as over 40 merchants stay open to greet guests with music, food & drink. Donate a toy to Oakland Firefighters Random Acts toy drive. For more information, please contact Jeff Diamond at (510) 864.9463 or jeff@farmsteadcheesesandwines.com

CITY OF PIEDMONT HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

Wednesday, December 4, 2013, 7:00PM
Piedmont Community Hall, 711 Highland Ave. Santa will visit with his elves as festive Christmas carols are presented by Piedmont High School Troubadours. Piedmont Council Boy Scouts will serve refreshments and candy canes will be passed out. For more information, please visit <http://www.ci.piedmont.ca.us/>.



ANNUAL COMMUNITY HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY WINTER WONDERLAND

Friday, December 6, 2013, 6 PM—8 PM
City Hall, 1333 Park Avenue, Emeryville, CA
Celebrate the season with family, friends and greater Emeryville community as they ring in the holidays with musical performances, community sing-a-longs, and much more. Please consider bringing a new toy or non-perishable food items for the Alameda County Fire Department toy and food drive. For more information, please call (510) 596-4300.



Please note: This is a partial list.

To add your event or resource to the list, please email Hannah Greene at hannah.greene@acgov.org with the name, date, location and a brief description.

Thank you!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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