

We can do better than an MRE



As you all know, we have been working hard to ensure each and every family aboard Naval Air Facility El Centro and the USCGC PETREL will enjoy a Thanksgiving turkey for next week's holiday with Joint Operation Give Thanks. You have generously given to this effort, and we are beyond grateful.

But we need more help -- and right now.

We received an urgent request from NAF El Centro yesterday afternoon asking if our council would support providing a Thanksgiving Day meal next Wednesday, November 21st to 200 United States' Marines who are deployed to NAF during the holiday. This effort is undertaken as part of NAF's Feed the Troops luncheon.

Of course, we said, "**YES**"! Will you help us feed these Marines and give them a taste of "home" this Thanksgiving?

We have been asked to provide:

- 2 Large Hams, sliced
- 5 Large roaster-sized trays of Mashed Potatoes
- 5 Large roaster-sized trays of Stuffing
- 3 Large roaster-sized trays of Whole-kernel corn
- 2 Vegetable Trays
- 2 Fruit Trays
- 200 Dinner Rolls

We have already filled a request for these items:

- 15 cases of drinks
- 2 Quarts Ice cream
- 10 Desserts
- 2 Large bowls of Cranberry sauce
- 1 gallon of turkey gravy
- 5 Large roaster-sized trays of Macaroni & Cheese
- 4 Large roaster-sized trays of Sweet Potatoes
- 2 Large roaster-sized trays Potato Salad
- 1 Large Ham, sliced
- 20 Turkeys

We have reached out to [Central Baptist Church](#) who has graciously consented to allow us to use their Family Life Center to stage and prepare food items before delivery to NAF El Centro.

If you are able to help, please contact us by [email](#) or telephone at (760) 791-7345 to sign up to donate a prepared food item -- and if you would like to support [Joint Operation Give Thanks](#), we are continuing to accept monetary donations.

Thank you again for giving so generously!
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SCHEDULE for Wednesday, November 21

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| 6:00 am | Food Prep/Staging
Central Baptist Church, 1290 S Imperial Avenue, El Centro |
| 9:00 am | Leave Central Baptist for NAF El Centro |
| 9:30 am | Food Delivered to NAF (no later than) |
| 10:00 am | Serving |
| 1:00 pm | Start Clean-up |

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