

## Office of the Mayor City of Los Angeles

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#### MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA'S THANKGIVING HOLIDAY MESSAGE

LOS ANGELES – Mayor Villaraigosa issued the following statement for the Thanksgiving Holiday:

Thanksgiving is not just a day for giving thanks, it is also a day of remembering what is truly important in our lives. Let us all consider the importance of community and family.

As we begin this holiday season, I am asking all Angelenos to express our gratitude by serving those who have fallen upon hard times. I ask you to give of yourself to those who need your help the most.

Whether it is volunteering at your local boys and girls club to delivering a meal to a homebound senior, or serving Thanksgiving dinner to the homeless on Skid Row, there is no scarcity of opportunities to serve your fellow residents of the City of Los Angeles.

The tradition of service is building momentum in the great City of Los Angeles. Last Saturday, we had more than 4,500 volunteers from all over the City -- the Valley, the Eastside, the Westside, the Harbor – come to Watts to complete 60 beautification and improvement projects. Our Citywide Days of Service have drawn more than 37,000 people.

If we all make this holiday season a season of giving, we will have more and more to be thankful for as we build community and civic pride together.

God bless.

During the week of Thanksgiving, Mayor Villaraigosa will be participating in the following events and encourages Angelenos to join him:

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2006

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM SOUTH LA TURKEY DINNER GIVE AWAY

JACKSON LIMOSUINE SERVICE YARD

3669 W SLAUSON AVENUE

LOS ANGELES, CA

7:00 PM - 8:15 PM PARA LOS NINOS 2006 THANKSGIVING DINNER

CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF ANGELS

555 W TEMPLE ST

LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2006

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM LOS ANGELES MISSION THANKSGIVING MEAL EVENT

LOS ANGELES MISSION

303 E 5TH STREET

LOS ANGELES, CA 90013

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM SALVATION ARMY THANKSGIVING DINNER

HOLLYWOOD PALLADIUM

6215 SUNSET BLVD HOLLYWOOD, CA

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2006

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM DOWNTOWN WOMEN'S CENTER THANKSGIVING EVENT

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325 S LOS ANGELES ST LOS ANGELES, CA

10:45 AM - 11:15 PM FRED JORDAN MISSION THANKSGIVING MEAL EVENT

FRED JORDAN MISSION

445 TOWNE AVE

LOS ANGELES, CA 90013

11:45 AM - 12:15 PM MIDNIGHT MISSION THANKSGIVING MEAL EVENT

MIDNIGHT MISSION 601 S SAN PEDRO ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90014