

THE CAMPESINOS (FARMWORKERS) PROGRAM

San Gabriel Valley Chapter/Councils

Drive-Thru' Support Day

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California has many riches, including it being a state that is 80% agriculture, with tens of thousands of campesinos. Most individuals do not know, farmworkers are a large part of the working poor. They have seasonal jobs that most of the time do not afford them the basic necessities, for example, **food** being the number one need. This program is meant to assist our farmworkers and their families through a variety of already established Knights of Columbus programs.

Attached you will find detailed information regarding the program, how to get started, how to report your activities. Let us work together and fill the need for this much needed program. Already we have Chapters, Assemblies and Councils who have started making donations toward our goals.

Brothers, I am here to serve anyone who has questions, needs additional information on this program or would like to work hand in hand.

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things."

— **MOTHER TERESA**

Buenos noches Hermanos Caballeros,

Hoy es un día muy especial para los Caballeros de Colón de California. Hoy, en el Día Internacional de Apreciación de los Trabajadores Agrícolas, es el lanzamiento oficial de uno de los programas estatales más recientes de California...

El Programa para los Campesinos

California tiene muchas riquezas, incluyendo ser un estado que es 80% agricultura, con decenas de miles de campesinos. La mayoría de las personas no saben, los

trabajadores agrícolas son una gran parte de los pobres que están trabajando. Tienen trabajos estacionales que la mayoría de las veces no les proporcionan las necesidades básicas, por ejemplo, la comida es la necesidad número uno. Este programa está destinado a ayudar a nuestros trabajadores agrícolas y sus familias a través de una variedad de programas ya establecidos de Caballeros de Colón.

Trabajemos juntos y llenaremos la necesidad de este programa tan necesario. Ya tenemos Capítulos, Asambleas y Consejos que han comenzado a hacer donaciones para nuestros objetivos.

Hermanos, estoy aquí para servir a cualquiera que tenga preguntas, necesite información adicional sobre este programa o le gustaría trabajar mano a mano.

"Puedo hacer cosas que tú no puedes, tú puedes hacer cosas que yo no puedo; Juntos podemos hacer grandes cosas".

— **MADRE TERESA**

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Objective: to collect Christmas dinner food items, Coats for children in various sizes, and baby supplies in support of the Campesinos Program (and it being the Christmas Season, you may want to include some toys for the children). Financial donations welcome.

Date/Time: Saturday Dec 2nd. Set up time 7:00 am. Collection time 8: 00 am to 1:00 p.m. (subject to change).

Location: St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish 1879 Lake Ave, Altadena, Ca. 91001

Coordinator/Management: Jerry Pearman DD #120(Chairman), Larry Dietz WCP, and Marty Gallegos Chapter Treasure.

Plan: Utilize the north parking lot area to collect donation items. Designate a checkpoint on the northwest entrance of the north parking lot. Also, designate a centralized information area for management and direction (WCP and Designees). With traffic cones, set up three receiving points designated to receive either, Christmas Dinners, Coats, and Baby supplies.

Have boxes and or receptacles to store received items. Move traffic eastbound through the parking lot and exit through the northeast corner of the parking lot. Cash donations can be collected at all collections points. (Cash and/or checks should be immediately turned over to the WCT/and or WCP) in sealed envelope with said donating council and amount on outside. Donation time: 5 hours. **(Checks to be made out to “San Gabriel Valley Chapter”)**

Manpower: (5) Knights for Traffic Control. (6) to (9) Knights for donation collection. Designate one/two knights for photography. (Sign Up Genius & paper sign in sheets will be provided by our WCP and his designates).

Logistics: *Water, coffee & doughnuts for the volunteers.* Coordinate with Maintenance staff for the collection use of traffic cones. Also, reflective vests for traffic control personnel are encouraged.

After collecting donations, all collected donations are turned over to either the State Campesino Director, or delivery to our sister KofC Council in the Central Valley. Delivery of goods are required and volunteers with trucks & large SUV's will be needed to transport the donation supplies to a delivery point.

Administration: Each collection point represents a sponsored FIA Program Life, Family, Community & Life. Form 10784's (Programs) and Form 10057 “Food for Families” will need to be submitted by each participating council's Grand Knight and/or Program Director.

Public Relations: We are going to need to market this program to obtain support. Pulpit Announcements, Chapter Facebook & Instagram postings, bulletin entries, and leaflets after mass. *A pulpit announcement needs to be drafted.* A minimum of (3) knights per mass will be needed. All photos and a copy of a flyer should be digitally sent to the State Campesino Director, George Arias. 661-600-8150, kocproud@gmail.com.

