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## EASTER TAKE-OUT LUNCH AT THE MIDNIGHT MISSION

The Midnight Mission (TMM) will not hold our traditional Easter event this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, we will be serving three take-out meals to our community on Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021, as we do every day from our courtyard. For the time being, no onsite volunteering is permitted, and media will have minimal access, including no entry to the kitchen or building, in adherence to our safety protocols.

Special Easter-themed take-out meals will be provided to our community guests during the lunch service at 12:30 pm by Midnight Mission staff and program participants who have been following TMM's strict protective measures. Each guest will receive "Safe & Warm" kits provided by our friends at the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation. We will also distribute Bombas Socks, hygiene kits, masks, and sweet treats to the neediest in our community.

Since the onset of the pandemic, TMM has been working tirelessly to maintain our guests, residents, and staff's safety and well-being by following the suggested guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Department of Public Health (DPH).

Below are some ways volunteers can help from home:

- Make a financial donation through our website <u>www.midnightmission.org/donate/</u> or text the keyword Meals to 71777 on your cell phone to donate today.
- Donate prepared take-out meals for our guests. We are serving thousands of "take-out" meals each day. Contact <u>alinares@midnightmission.org</u> for more information.
- Order items directly from our Amazon Wish List by visiting <a href="https://p.flowcode.com/FXhfrL4q?fc=0">https://p.flowcode.com/FXhfrL4q?fc=0</a>

Of the many services The Midnight provides to our unique community, one of the most important is the sense of family we offer to those who often feel lost and forgotten during the holidays and other national days of celebration. We are grateful for our wonderful donors, volunteers, and friends who make it possible for us to continue our lifesaving and life-changing work. Now, more than ever, we need to work together to restore hope and dignity to those in need.

On behalf of everyone at The Midnight Mission, we thank you for your support. We hope you and your loved ones are staying safe and healthy during this time of uncertainty.

**About The Midnight Mission:** Founded in 1914, The Midnight Mission offers paths to self-sufficiency to men, women and children who have lost direction. Our emergency services and 12-step recovery, family living, job training, education and workforce development programs offer a compassionate bridge to achieve and maintain healthy, productive lives. We remove obstacles and provide the accountability and structure that people who are experiencing homelessness need to be productive in their communities. Our conviction and commitment to their success define us. For additional information, please visit www.midnightmission.org.