

MEDIA ALERT!

CHARITIES TEAM UP TO PROVIDE THANKSGIVING FEAST TO HURRICANE SANDY HARD-HIT FAMILIES AND FIRST RESPONDERS IN BREEZY POINT, NY

--Operation Blessing International And Friends Of Firefighters To Provide Turkey With All The Trimmings On Wednesday, 11am-3pm--

WHAT:

Operation Blessing and Friends of Firefighters have teamed up to cook up a full Thanksgiving feast for first responders and residents of Breezy Point who have been hard-hit by Hurricane Sandy. The menu includes turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, sweet potato casserole, and apple and peach cobblers. The event is made possible by the generous donations from people all across the country to Operation Blessing International to help Hurricane Sandy relief efforts.

Several hundred people are expected to attend. To make the event festive, volunteers from OBI and Friends of Firefighters have dressed up large army tents to include round tables, centerpieces, banners and Christmas lights.

"Many of the residents of this hard-hit community are firefighters and police, and many of them have lost their homes and belongings," said Bill Horan, president of Operation Blessing Intl. "These folks have been there when others were in need, especially during 9/11. So it is fitting and proper that we are with them, now."

WHO:

Operation Blessing International (OBI) is one of the largest charities in America. Its disaster relief first responders arrived in NYC area on Tuesday, October 30. To date, OBI has aided storm victims in Manhattan, Breezy Point, Far Rockaway and several towns in coastal New Jersey, delivering over 240,000 pounds of food, bottled water and relief supplies (toiletries, cleaning supplies, diapers) to local residents from five semi-trailer trucks from OBI's Hunger Strike Force fleet, based in Virginia Beach, VA. The team also set up its Mobile Kitchen that has served over 2,000 hot meals.

Bill Horan, president of OBI, will be on hand with staff and volunteers from the charity.

Friends of Firefighters, Inc. (FoF) is a New York City not-for-profit corporation that began as a community-based group in response to the events of September 11, 2001. Friends of Firefighters is dedicated to addressing the physical, mental health, and wellness needs of New York City's firefighters and their families. Our ongoing mission is to provide long-term support and services through confidential counseling, wellness services, and other assistance required by firefighters and their families.

WHEN:

Wednesday, November 21st
11am-3pm

WHERE:

Rockaway Point Fire Department
204-26 Rockaway Point Blvd, Breezy Point, NY.
(Intersection of B 204 & Rockaway Point Blvd.)

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