

**Operation: Care and Comfort
December 2021**



Employees of E. Gluck Corporation Packing Care Packages

A Note From Operation: Care and Comfort

Dear Friends and Supporters,

The holidays are officially here. I remember when I was a kid it felt as though time moved so slowly, My mama would tell me how quickly time flies when you get older. Well, I guess I am older because this year was a blur!

We continue to receive emails, calls and messages from folks across the country wanting to support our efforts this holiday season. Today, a long-time supporter from New York anonymously adopted a military family from the Bay Area. She never cares where they live — she and her husband, a former Marine, simply want to help. Another in Arizona, same thing. Daily we receive care packages and donations of items, letters, and holiday cards from those who love and respect service members and veterans, across our great country.

The November nationwide **Boot Barn** stores donation drive was a huge success, and the boxes are being delivered to us daily. We are so blessed.

Our **Adopt a Military Family** program is in full swing. Military, veterans and their families (Gold Star families, too) who need a little support are being anonymously "adopted" for the holidays. Learn more about our program here <https://www.occ-usa.org/adopt-a-military-family/>.

We are also supporting military family days and holiday parties — very important because so many events were canceled in the past 18 months due to the Pandemic. We are busier than ever.

Our holidays boxes for forward deployed troops were mailed a week ago, and should start arriving this week. We hope those boxes we sent will bring a little holiday cheer to those so far away from home.

Today through the end of the year is a time of giving. **Giving Tuesday**, workplace giving campaigns, and last minute contributions in this tax year help non-profits like ours continue to serve.

Once again, we **THANK YOU** for your support and love. We appreciate you! Happy holidays!

Julie DeMaria
President
Operation: Care and Comfort



Giving Tuesday — November 30, 2021



GIVINGTUESDAY

GivingTuesday is a global generosity movement unleashing the power of radical generosity. GivingTuesday was created in 2012 as a simple idea: a day that encourages people to do good. Since then, it has grown into a year-round global movement that inspires hundreds of millions of people to give, collaborate, and celebrate generosity.

Donate/Give To OCC



Shop Online With An Amazon Smile & Help OCC, Too!

(Click on the image or the text.)

E Gluck Corporation Partners With OCC

We are thankful for so many OCC partners who continue to support our mission. Our latest partner is the E. Gluck Corporation in New York — such a fascinating company and story behind it. Can't wait to send these care packages overseas!

The wrote OCC:

“This Thanksgiving we're giving thanks by giving back to those who risk their lives to protect our freedom. We've partnered with Operation: Care and Comfort to assemble care packages for our troops overseas.

We love the work that @occusa is doing to support our troops, veterans, and their families. Julie started the organization in her garage 20 years ago and wrote to every troop personally, and we're proud to help continue the tradition.”



Cisco Volunteers Help OCC Storage Warriors

On Friday, November 12, key volunteer Tina and volunteers from **Cisco** met at our storage units to prep socks for distribution, and also bagged donated Halloween candy.

All of this will be mailed overseas and distributed to bases here in the US.

THANK YOU to this fine group of volunteers!



CFC Campaign ... Is Here!

The CFC is here. Operation: Care and Comfort is a proud member of the CFC (#77631.) We depend on your donation to help us continue our mission of supporting troops, veterans and their families. Why support OCC with your contribution?

Consider this.

Founded in 2003 in my garage in San Jose, OCC remains a 100% volunteer organization. NO ONE draws a salary and that is why our overhead has never exceeded 3 percent. That is extraordinary!

OCC CARE PACKAGES — we continue to mail care packages every month to forward deployed military units, and never stopped even during this pandemic.

OCC TICKETS FOR TROOPS — starting with the SF Giants in 2004, OCC began to distribute tickets to troops and vets without ever charging any fees or service charges. Even when we purchase tickets we do not charge for them. We have distributed millions of tickets over the years and take pride in being able to send larger families and military units to events. We have also given hundreds of troops and veterans the opportunity to be honored on the field and stage over the years. I wonder how many military kids we have turned into Bay Area sports fans?

OCC ADOPT A MILITARY FAMILY — since 2005, countless thousands of military, veteran and Gold Star families have been assisted and supported throughout the years.

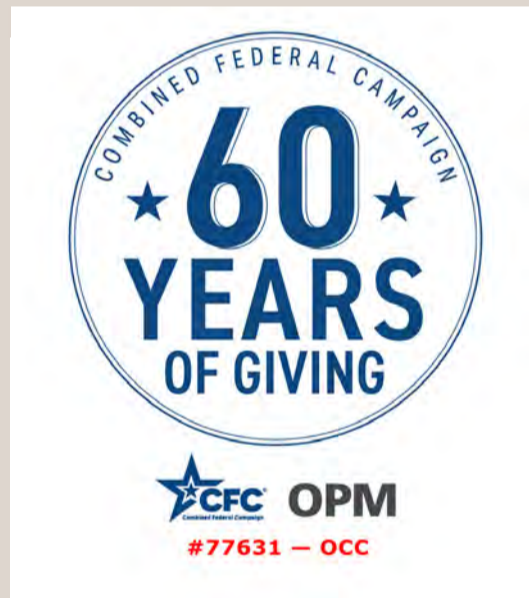
No donation is "too small." It takes about \$2 a pound to mail a care package overseas.

THANK YOU for your service and your consideration. We hope we have earned your trust and support! Please **SHARE** this if you love what we do!

You have until January 15, 2022 to donate via CFC!

If you have not already signed up, here's your link to [CFC](#).

Julie, President
 Operation: Care and Comfort
 CFC #77631



Veterans Canteen Service - Discounts and more!



Did you know that the VA has their own retail store on-line and in various VA facilities?

Access to great deals! Discounts for veterans, VA employees, and their families!

Covid-19 Vaccines For Nor Cal Veterans

The VA Nor Cal Health Care System is now offering the Covid-19 vaccines to all enrolled veterans, regardless of age and their registered care givers.

Click on the VA image for link for all information and questions.



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Follow Us!!!



OCC is on
LinkedIn
Check us out!!!



OCC's Tickets For Troops

Last month, our Tickets for Troops program distributed tickets for events such as:

- *Los Angeles Rams vs San Francisco 49'ers - Nov 15*
- *Randy Rainbow: The Pink Glasses Tour - The Masonic (SF) - Nov 20*
- *Gabriel Iglesias - Beyond The Fluffy World Tour - Chase Center - Nov 27*
- *Desi Banks - San Jose Improv - Nov 27*
- *Notre Dame at Stanford - Nov 27*

Follow our Facebook page for future events!!

Just a friendly reminder:

If you are receiving this email, chances are you are already on our Tickets For Troops list. No need to sign-up again!



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OCC's nationally recognized programs support troops, veterans and their families while serving in conflict regions, while serving on humanitarian missions, and when they return home.

