

## Stella Padilla

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**From:** Kiki Navarro  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 04, 2013 9:56 AM  
**To:** Stella Padilla  
**Subject:** FW: thanksgiving dinner

Good morning Stella! Can you process a claim for \$1000.00 for Friends of Robles Ranch to be used for food their Thanksgiving event.  
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*Kiki Navarro*  
*Supervisor Sharon Bronson's office*  
*District 3*  
*(520) 724-8051 (Please note the new phone number!)*

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**From:** Dane Miller [mailto:phdesert@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 04, 2013 9:35 AM  
**To:** Kiki Navarro  
**Subject:** thanksgiving dinner

Hi Kiki,

Attached is the request letter for Sharon to consider. I did not include an amount. The reason is that we have been given some really special gifts....Friends came up with \$2000, Sodexo is going to supply all the turkeys for the meal as well as the cooks with the help of Shari and Todd from Todd's Restaurant. We are going to rent table and chairs to better seat folks but I have not been able at this time to nail down an anticipated budget. Shari thought before the Turkey gift that we would run about \$4.00 a plate, but that has changed obviously since the donation. At the same time, however, that has allowed us to upgrade the menu a little bit. She and Thomas from Sodexo are going to give us a more specific breakdown with all the stuff we have to rent and buy later this summer. So, if Sharon can do \$500 that would be great, if she thinks she can stretch to \$750, that would be stupendous (pastoral eloquence at work)! I know there are many more needs for other communities, so I don't want to ask for too much considering the promised gifts. UCHC is also considering some help as well as the 4-H group. Our biggest issue is we don't have a clue about how many people might take advantage of this the first year out. If you are able to help, the funding can be processed through Friends of Robles Ranch who are part of the organizing team.

Thanks for the help....let me know if you need anything further...  
Dane

## *A New Tradition for Thanksgiving Coming to Three Points*

Over the last 30 years various groups and individuals in our community have banded together to help families enjoy special holiday meals at Thanksgiving and Christmas. With gifts and volunteers from Serenity Baptist Church, the Altar Valley School District, the Three Points Food Pantry and Tucson Community Food Bank, Trico Electric Cooperative, 4-H Clubs, the Three Points Fire District, Friends of Robles Ranch, the Holiday Share Program and individuals those dinners were sometimes actual boxes of food, at other times they were gift cards at local Tucson groceries. Each year that has translated into 10 to 200 families receiving needed assistance. Over the last several years the number of families helped has been around 60 each year, all of them members of the wider Three Points community.

For a variety of reasons and following the creative idea of Patzi Hughes at Serenity Baptist Church and District Fireman and School Board President, Mr. Bobby Ethridge, the participating agencies have decided to provide an actual community Thanksgiving meal on Thanksgiving Day itself. The normal contributions will be used to purchase food so that individuals and families can enjoy this meal together for free. Volunteers and local chefs will cook and serve and clean up after the meal. The lead team for the preparation of the meal will be the Sodexo Food Services who work with the Altar Valley School District. That company has generously offered to supply the turkey for the meals and the cooks to prepare it with help from other "chefs" from our area!

So, this is a "heads up" for you and your family! More information will be in the news and sent home through the schools, the food ministry at Serenity Baptist Church and other central community organizations. We hope to be able to serve 250-350 people in two different sittings at the Robles Elementary School free of charge on Thursday, November 28, between 11 am and 1 pm. ***It will be necessary to "reserve" your spot by November 8 and reservations will begin to be taken on October 1 through the office at Serenity Baptist Church.*** There will not be available "walk in" participation on Thanksgiving Day, just to make sure that we have enough food for everyone who wants to enjoy Thanksgiving that day at the school.

Watch for more information and get ready to celebrate with others in our community on Thanksgiving Day, 2013!

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June 4, 2013

Sharon Bronson  
Pima County Supervisor  
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Dear Supervisor Bronson:

I have attached a short explanation of a new project for the Three Points/Robles Junction Community. After review, if you are able to help support this new venture - a community Thanksgiving Meal to be served at the Robles Elementary School on Thanksgiving Day - we would deeply appreciate that. We realize that funding sources are very tight. We have been granted some funding already and some additional donations have been promised to us through Sodexo which handles the food sourcing for the Altar Valley School System. These gifts are significant as we plan for an event that we really do not know what kind of response to expect from the community.

You and your office staff have been so generous with support in the past, and we are deeply appreciative of your leadership and your co-partnership in so many of the community efforts in Three Points. Thank you for considering our request.

In grace and peace and on behalf of the organizing team,

*Dane E. Miller*

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