

Dear Friend, Neighbor or Co-Worker:

For the 8th consecutive year my men's group, the **East Bay Circle of Men** ([EBCOM](#)), is again partnering with the **East Oakland Boxing Association** ([EOBA](#)), and the East Oakland Bridges Coalition ([EOBC](#)) to provide holiday meals to families in East Oakland facing food insecurity.

This is a long-standing and very successful partnership between EOBA and EOBC. This year, in partnership with a larger consortium (EOBC), we're expanding our goals to serve up 5,000 families, so we really could use your financial support of this great cause - to help families who really could use this support, right here in our area.

This year, with grocery prices at record highs, too many families are being forced to choose between paying bills and putting food on the table. In East Oakland, where **food insecurity** is already a daily reality, the holiday season can feel like just another reminder of what is out of reach. Together, we can change that.

On November 21 and 22, 2025, the East Oakland Bridges Coalition, a network of nonprofits, civic groups, and community leaders, will host one of the largest holiday meal drives in our city's history. At the East Oakland Boxing Association campus, volunteers will pack and distribute 5,000 full holiday meals, complete with turkey and all the fixings, nourishing nearly **30,000 people in a single weekend**.

Each meal costs \$65 per family, or \$11 per person. That means for the cost of one lunch, you can help ensure a neighbor enjoys the dignity of sitting down to a holiday meal with loved ones.

While we cannot immediately or directly influence much of the suffering in the world, **we *can* act locally right now** to make a positive difference for East Bay residents facing food-insecurity. Please take this opportunity to help others in *our* community by supporting our annual **Holiday Dinner Drive**.

This is a dedicated fund for this purpose, with 100% of the funds raised used to procure and distribute food to these families.

Please make your 501(c) (3) tax-deductible donation TODAY through EOBA's secure website by clicking the link below and filling in the basic donation form. You'll then immediately receive an email receipt confirming your generosity.

<https://east-oakland-boxing-association.square.site/product/holiday-meal-sponsor/BJLRJAGRKFF6CP3EMHMNA7N7>



Thank you for acting locally now to help your neighbors in need.

With Gratitude,
Daniel Kimble

