

Thankful for Eagle

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For many Americans, the holiday of Thanksgiving consists of fall football, four-day weekends, family gatherings, and a fine feast of food. Throughout history, the meaning of Thanksgiving has changed, however it is clear that giving back has become a huge aspect of Thanksgiving as we know it today. One thing I am most thankful for this season is Eagle! Eagle is known for its sense of community and during the holiday season it is even more apparent.

There are many ways YOU can give back to the community!

- Did you know the City of Eagle gives out **FREE leaf bags** in exchange for canned food? From October 17 – November 18, bring at least one canned food item to Eagle City Hall (660 E. Civic Lane) to receive your free leaf bags. *This offer is one per household and is only valid while supplies last.
- Donate food to the Eagle Community Foodbank or become a volunteer. During the month of November, you may drop off canned food at Eagle City Hall, the Eagle Public Library, or contact the Eagle Community Foodbank.
- Adopt an animal or volunteer at a local humane society.
- Participate in the annual coat drive at **Eagle Country Christmas**, December 10 1:00-6:00 PM at Heritage Park. Donate lightly used coats, mittens, beanies, scarves, and other winter apparel.
- Engage in a random act of kindness. This trend has become very popular in the Treasure Valley, including buying a cup of coffee for the person in line behind you, or baking cookies for your neighbors.

One of the most important things to give during the holiday is giving thanks! Be thankful for your friends, family, coworkers, customers, community members, and others and let them know you are thankful for the simple, every day actions. A simple "Thanks" can go a long way! Don't forget to "enjoy Eagle every day!"