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November 1, 2025

#### MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

Greetings Fontana Kiwanis Members and friends:

First of all, thank you to everyone who contributed to the remarkable success of our 4th Annual Mental Health and Wellness Fair, held on October 18th. The event featured an impressive array of vendors, engaging dance performances, and a memorable skit performed by our Key Clubbers. The Kaiser High School ROTC served as color guards, and we enjoyed a beautiful performance by the Uplifting Arts Academy. Our Master of Ceremony, Mr. Torrian Scott, ensured



the event maintained a positive and uplifting atmosphere throughout.

We are especially grateful to our own Fontana Kiwanis members, Karen Valentin and Julie Lozano Ceja, who participated in the program by sharing powerful messages of hope and encouragement for anyone facing mental health challenges. Their contributions were invaluable and deeply appreciated.

A heartfelt thank you also goes out to Carol Sams and Richard Granados for their leadership and dedication in organizing and executing this thoughtfully planned event.

PEACE, Vernall Townsend, VP 2024-2026 1973 Air Force









## **Important Dates:**

• Club Meetings

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month | 12:00 p.m. | Sundowners Family Restaurant 8983 Sierra Ave Fontana, CA 92335

There will be no Meeting 11/4/2025, Election Day. Please Join on Wednesday, November 5th 5:30 p.m. and meet our newest member!

 Kiwanis Club of Fontana Annual Food Drive

October 27 - November 12 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. | More information on how to donate on Page 2. Feel free to share with friends & family.

- Truman Event | Food Baskets 11/19/2025 | 12:00 p.m.
- Division Council Meeting 11/19/2025 | 6:30 p.m. Elk's Lodge 2055 Elks Dr. San Bernardino, CA 92404 \$35 pp / Key Club \$15
  - \*Annual Toy Drive: Please bring a \$10 toy. Thanks in advance!
- Rose Float Decorating TBA



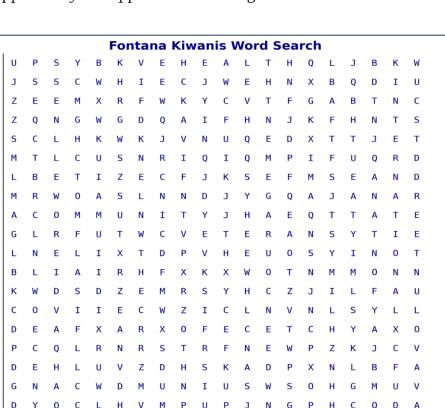




## **Annual Food Drive**

Our annual Food Drive is currently underway and will continue until November 5th. You are invited to drop off non-perishable food items from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM at the Concerned Citizens for the Development of North Fontana's office, located at 16655 Foothill Blvd in Fontana. The drop-off location is on the second floor, accessible as you exit the elevator on the Foothill side of the building.

If you need your items to be picked up, please call us so we can arrange a meeting and collect your donations. Contributions to the cause can also be made via the Fontana Kiwanis website or in person. All donations will be distributed to families in the Fontana area who are in need during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. Please help spread the word, encourage your family and friends to participate, and give them the opportunity to support this meaningful cause.



#### **Word List:**

FONTANA, KIWANIS, COMMUNITY, SERVICE, VETERANS, HEALTH, WELLNESS FUNDRAISING, CASINO, FIREWORKS, HOPE, ENCOURAGEMENT, VOLUNTEER PEACE, LEADERSHIP, FRIENDS, INTERNATIONAL



### **DONATE FOOD HERE**

October 27th - November 12th

8am - 8pm

During the Thanksgivings and the Christmas holiday members of the Fontana Kiwanis donate and collect food items to make food baskets as well as gift cards for students and their families who attend school in the FUSD School District. Your generosity will make a difference.

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# Looking Ahead to 2026: Community Involvement & Fundraising

As we approach the end of 2025, let's begin planning to become even more engaged with our Kiwanis community in 2026.

We will be discussing fundraising events for the coming year, which may include activities such as Bunco, the Fireworks Booth, and possibly a Casino Night.

If you have ideas for fundraising, please share them with us at our November Meeting.

Above all, let's commit to supporting our local community events and activities, especially those organized and sponsored by Fontana Kiwanis.

PEACE,

Vernall Townsend, VP 2024-2026