

# CENTS FOR SERVICE Information & Social Media Guide

Operation Gratitude annually sends 300,000+ Care Packages to Deployed Troops, Recruit Graduates, Veterans, First Responders, Military Children, and Wounded Heroes & their Caregivers. Show YOU care!

Hosting a "Cents for Service" Drive for Operation Gratitude is an active and fun way for your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and/or teammates to show support for all who serve!

## TO START YOUR "CENTS FOR SERVICE" DRIVE:

- → You will need:
  - ◆ A container for your donations! We recommend a water jug (pictured right).
  - Decorations! Decorate your container to let everyone know that you are collecting change to send Care Packages to those who serve!
- Notify your constituency of the dates, times, and location of the "Cents for Service" Drive! Encourage them to collect and drop all their loose coins in the container.
- → Once you've filled your container, take it to a local bank or <u>CoinStar</u> to exchange your change for a cashier's check made out to: Operation Gratitude.



## **SEND THE CASHIER'S CHECK TO:**

Operation Gratitude P.O. Box 260257 Encino, CA 91426-0257

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## SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

## **BEFORE & DURING YOUR "CENTS FOR SERVICE" DRIVE**

**Twitter:** Want to help #SupportOurHeroes? Donate loose change to my/our #OGCentsforService by (*insert date - example, 1/31*). Every \$15 donated covers the cost to send another #OperationGratitude Care Package! (*Add photo and, space allowing, more hashtags.*)

**Facebook & Instagram:** I've started a "Cents for Service" Drive to collect loose change for Operation Gratitude, the 501c3 non-profit, volunteer-based organization that sends Care Packages to our Deployed Troops, Veterans, Military Children, Recruit Graduates, First Responders, and Wounded Heroes & Caregivers. Want to help? Please contact me for more information and details. (Add photo and hashtags. Link to Operation Gratitude: @OperationGratitude on Facebook; @OpGratitude on Instagram.)

## ONCE YOUR COLLECTION DRIVE IS OVER

**Twitter:** Thank you for donating to my/our #OGCentsForService Drive in support of our nation's heroes. We collected \$XX.XX -- enough to send XX #OperationGratitude Care Packages! (Attach photo and add hashtags.)

**Facebook & Instagram:** Thanks to your generosity, my/our "Cents for Service" Drive collected \$XX.XX -- enough to send XX Operation Gratitude Care Packages going to deployed U.S. Troops, Veterans, First Responders, Military Children, Recruit Graduates, and Wounded Heroes & Caregivers! Thank you for your help and support! (Attach photo; link to our accounts: @OperationGratitude on Facebook and/or @OpGratitude on Instagram. Add hashtags.)

## HASHTAGS TO USE IN YOUR POSTS AND TWEETS

Pick and choose ones you like best!

- → #OperationGratitude
- → #OGCentsForService
- → #OGMakeEveryPennyCount
- → #OGMakeEveryMinuteCount
- → #SupportHeroes
- → #USMilitary
- → #FirstResponders
- → #CarePackages

We'd love to see your Cents for Service photos, too! Please share them with us via email: Info@OperationGratitude.com.

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