

## **McAllen Police Department**

## MEDIA ADVISORY

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## McAllen Crime Stoppers and the City of McAllen Making a Thanksgiving Difference for Families

The City of McAllen and McAllen Crime Stoppers are hosting their annual Turkey Meal Give Away on Wednesday, November 23, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the McAllen Police Department, 1601 N. Bicentennial Blvd. The participating families will receive a Thanksgiving meal. We urge all participants to follow Covid 19 precautions.

The McAllen Crime Stoppers Board raised funds from the community for this special event to purchase Thanksgiving turkey dinners for about 250 families with modest means. The McAllen Area families are selected by the McAllen Independent School District counselors and teachers and by McAllen Police Department.

This turkey meal giveaway is designed as a goodwill gesture during this special holiday.

At all times and at this special significant time McAllen Police Department urges all drivers to exercise maximum driver safety.

"Crime Stoppers is a valued tool for the police department but, during the holidays, it's about showing our thanks to our community. McAllen Crime Stoppers is a citizen group that volunteers to raise funds to pay citizens for information or TIPS anonymously," said Chief Victor Rodriguez. "We are very proud to be part of this and very glad we have the leadership of the Crime Stoppers Board to get this done."

"We would like to thank our community for helping us provide a turkey dinner for families. We have learned throughout the year, most of these families would not enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving meal if McAllen Crime Stoppers didn't raise funds," said Rudy Placencia.

McAllen Crime Stoppers Turkey Meal Give Away is successful because of the community support it receives that makes this event a success.

## Event:

Date /Time: Wednesday, November 23, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Where: At McAllen Police Department, 1601 N. Bicentennial Blvd. McAllen, Texas ###