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## **Central Basin Partners with Orchard Dale Water District to Donate 200 Turkeys to Local Efforts**

*Agencies proudly donate to local legislators for annual turkey giveaway*

**What:** For the second year in a row, Central Basin Municipal Water District is partnering with the Orchard Dale Water District to donate 200 turkeys to three local legislators for their annual Operation Gobble distribution events.

The participating legislators include Senator Ron Calderon (D-Montebello) and Assemblyman Charles Calderon (D-Industry), who will be hosting their event together in the City of Montebello. Assemblyman Kevin De Leon (D-Los Angeles) will also be participating, hosting his event in East Los Angeles. Through these local distributions, more than 1,000 ready-to-cook turkeys will be distributed to families in need.

Operation Gobble was started in the late 1980s by the California Water Association, (CWA) a nonprofit organization of private water companies. The event continues to be a meaningful way for water utilities, lawmakers and community-based organizations to work together to assist those in need for the Thanksgiving holidays. Families receiving the turkeys have been pre-determined through local charities. The number of turkeys distributed each year is dependent on the support and generosity of local sponsors. The Golden State Water Company also participates every year.

<b>When:</b>	<b>MONTEBELLO</b>	<b>CITY TERRACE</b>
	<b>TUESDAY, November 25, 2008</b>	<b>TUESDAY, November 25, 2008</b>
	Starting at 10:00 am	Starting at 4:00 pm
	Distributions of turkeys are pre-selected.	Distributions of turkeys are pre-selected
<b>Where:</b>	Montebello YMCA 2000 W. Beverly Blvd. Montebello, CA 90640	Saint Lucy's Catholic Church 1419 N. Hazard Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90063

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**Photo Opps:** Beginning in the morning hours, families and non-profit organizations will meet-and-greet their local legislators before receiving a free, ready-to-cook turkey. Both events will offer great opportunities to see lawmakers in action, participating in a larger statewide program to provide turkeys to families in need. Central Basin will also provide all participants with a free, water conservation goodie bag to inspire water efficiency throughout the holiday season.

***About Central Basin:** Central Basin is a public agency that wholesales imported water to cities, mutual water companies, investor-owned utilities and private companies in southeast Los Angeles County, serving a population of more than 2 million. In addition, Central Basin provides the region with recycled water for municipal, commercial and industrial uses. Formed in 1952, Central Basin is committed to ensuring a safe and reliable water supply for the region. For more information, please visit [www.centralbasin.org](http://www.centralbasin.org).*

***Orchard Dale Mission Statement:** To serve and satisfy our customers by constantly placing a special emphasis on delivering high quality water while improving the cost effectiveness and quality of our services. For more information please visit [www.odwd.org](http://www.odwd.org)*

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