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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **Faulconer Lends Hand to Soldier Donation Drive**

*Operation Caregiver provides care packages for service men and  
women in harm's way*

SAN DIEGO --- Today, City Council President Pro Tem Kevin L. Faulconer is partnering with Operation Caregiver for its annual donation drive to benefit military service members deployed in Afghanistan. NBC San Diego is a main partner for the event.

At noon, Faulconer will declare it "Operation Caregiver Day" in the City of San Diego.

Operation Caregiver provides to U.S. troops care packages, called "Caregiver Kits™," which consist of 15 items for basic hygiene and comfort. Soldiers are responsible for the purchase of all of their own personal hygiene products such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, and sunscreen.

Donation of these items will have a direct and positive impact on a soldier's daily life. The goal is to collect at least 1,000 donations this year.

"San Diegans, whether here at home or in the service overseas, always answer the call to duty," said Faulconer. "I'm encouraging my fellow San Diegans to bring donations to show our support for America's brave soldiers."

Faulconer and Operation Caregiver are asking the public to drop off one or more of three selected items for the Caregiver Kits™: Gold Bond Medicated Powder 10 oz.; SPF 50 Sunblock 8 oz.; and OFF! Insect Repellent 6 oz. scent free (Please do not bring aerosol products, as they cannot be shipped).

Tables will be set up for children to draw pictures and for anyone to write short letters of encouragement to be included in the kits. Volunteers will pack the kits throughout the day. The "Knitting Corps" will be on hand to knit wool caps and socks to be sent in the winter. Last year, 3,500 caps and socks were sent to our troops.



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**What:** Operation Caregiver donation drive for U.S. troops

**When:** Friday, September 23, 2011

12:00 PM (donations accepted all day from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM)

**Where:** Horton Plaza Square (next to NBC San Diego building)

225 Broadway at Broadway Circle, Downtown

San Diego, CA 92101

**Who:** Council President Pro Tem Kevin L. Faulconer

Michael "Doc" LaMar, MD, USN-Ret., Operation Caregiver Founder

Craig Sutliff, Operation Caregiver Project Manager

**Why:** Operation Caregiver's annual donation drive will provide "Caregiver Kits™," consisting of personal hygiene items, to U.S. troops overseas. Soldiers are responsible for the purchase of all of their own personal hygiene products such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, and sunscreen. Donations of these items will have a direct and positive impact on a soldier's daily life.

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