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Board of Supervisors launches Support Our Troops drive

County residents will have a chance to provide real and badly needed help to the families of military troops in harm's way this holiday season.

The Board of Supervisors on Tuesday launched the County's fifth annual Support Our Troops campaign and is urging county residents to donate gift cards, gas cards, and pre-paid phone cards to be distributed to local National Guard Units and the family support offices at Fort Irwin and Twentynine Palms. Cash donations will be accepted as well and converted into gift, gas, and phone cards.

"Our annual County 'Support Our Troops' outreach gives us an opportunity to express our continued support and reminds us that they are never too far away," said Board of Supervisors Chair Josie Gonzales, who brought the program forward for consideration.

Support Our Troops 2011 will be coordinated by the County Department of Veterans Affairs. Information on the program and how to donate is available at <http://hss.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/VA/>, or by calling the County Department of Veterans Affairs at (909) 387-5516.