

Daughters of Penelope Donates \$10,000 to Meals on Wheels America

The Daughters of Penelope (DOP), a leading international service organization comprised of women of Hellenic heritage and Philhellenes, proudly presented a \$10,000 donation to Meals on Wheels America, February 26, 2018, announced DOP Grand President Eva Jean Fomalont. Grand President Fomalont presented the donation to Meals on Wheels America President and CEO Ellie Hollander at Meals on Wheels America's headquarters, Arlington, Va.

"We are proud to support the worthy mission of Meals on Wheels America and its vision of an America in which all seniors live nourished lives with independence and dignity," Grand President Fomalont said. "Our support of Meals on Wheels America dovetails with our community service programs that assist our nation's elderly who are vulnerable and are in need. For example, Meals on Wheels serves many residents of AHEPA's and Daughters' 95 affordable elderly housing properties, including the three located in Albuquerque."

"We commend the Daughters of Penelope for realizing the need to address senior isolation and hunger, especially at a time when one in four local Meals on Wheels programs already has a waiting list of seniors in need of meals. We appreciate the generosity of the Daughters of Penelope and its support of our mission," Meals on Wheels America President and CEO Hollander said.

The donation made by the Daughters of Penelope was made possible by the late Mr. Nicholas Economy.

"The Daughters of Penelope is proud to honor his memory and his wishes to help the elderly in need," Grand President Fomalont said.



(L-R): Meals on Wheels America President and CEO Ellie Hollander and Daughters of Penelope Grand President Eva Jean Fomalont.

About Meals on Wheels America

Meals on Wheels America is the leadership organization supporting the more than 5,000 community-based programs across the country that are dedicated to addressing senior isolation and hunger. This network serves virtually every community in America and, along with more than two million staff and volunteers, delivers the nutritious meals, friendly visits and safety checks that enable America's seniors to live nourished lives with independence and dignity. By providing funding, leadership, education, research and advocacy support, Meals on Wheels America empowers its local member programs to strengthen their communities, one senior at a time. For more information, or to find a Meals on Wheels provider near you, visit www.mealsonwheelsamerica.org.



Meals on Wheels America President and CEO Ellie Hollander, Meals on Wheels America Chief Development Officer Kristine Templin, Grand President Eva Jean Fomalont, DOP Executive Director Elena Saviolakis, DOP Legislative Consultant Andrew Kaffes, and the Meals on Wheels America Staff at Meals on Wheels America headquarters in Arlington, Va.

About the Daughters of Penelope

Founded in San Francisco in 1929, the Daughters of Penelope (DOP) is the first women's organization of its kind established in the United States. It is an affiliate organization of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (Order of AHEPA).

The mission of the DOP is to promote the ancient Greek ideals of Hellenism, Education, Philanthropy, Civic Responsibility, and Family and Individual Excellence.

For more information about the DOP, or any of its programs or projects, please visit www.daughtersofpenelope.org.

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