

CARP USA: Giving Tuesday - What Losing My Home in a Fire Taught Me

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We are 2 days away from **Thanksgiving** and 1 week away from **Giving Tuesday** (Nov. 27th). That means we are officially in the **Giving Season!** It's an incredible time to remind ourselves of what we are grateful for and to express our **gratitude** by **giving back**.

What are you grateful for?



With news of the Bay Area fires consuming homes, precious tokens of memories, and even lives, I'm reminded to be grateful for my life, my health, my family, and my home. My heart goes out to the families, especially since **my house was also lost to fire when I was 11 years old**. While the memory is painful, it's also filled with happy surprise of HOW MUCH neighbors (and strangers) helped us recover.

From a young age, I was touched by the **power of giving** and it's ability to transform lives. One small act of kindness can make a huge difference. And kindness and love are needed everywhere you look.

You have the power to transform lives with your gift.

Consider transforming the lives of students who are transforming campus culture ([click here](#) to support CARP).

In whatever way you choose to give this Giving Season, give **something**. Show kindness, love, compassion, and warmth. You will be transformed in the process.

(That's what we encourage all CARP students to do all year long!)

For all you are and all you do to make a difference, Thank you.

Sincerely,

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