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## CMSA DONATES \$5,000 TO GRATEFUL GATHERINGS AS PART OF CHAIRMAN'S CHOICE CHARITY PROGRAM

(CMSA, Cerritos, CA) – On April 6, 2021, via Zoom Webinar, CMSA Chairman John Chipman Jr. introduced Grateful Gatherings' Founder & Executive Director Donna Wright Somerville who accepted the \$5K donation.

Grateful Gatherings connect volunteers, donors, and partners in the Bay Area community to help families transitioning from homelessness or crisis into a new home by furnishing it. The organization collects household items (new and secondhand) and mattresses to provide deserving local families a safe, warm, and comfortable home.

The Chairman's Choice Charity program allows every incoming CMSA Chairman to select a charity, with Board approval, to make a one-time \$5,000 contribution on behalf of the CMSA.

During Chipman's tenure as the 2020-2021 CMSA Chairman, he selected Grateful Gatherings as his Chairman's Choice Charity, a charity that his family's company, Chipman Relocation & Logistics, have been involved with over the years.

The California Moving & Storage Association (CMSA) is a nonprofit trade association representing more than 300 licensed and insured movers operating in California. The CMSA also includes more than 150 associate member companies. Established in 1916, the CMSA is comprised of 12 chapters strategically located throughout California.



Top to Bottom: CMSA President Steve Weitekamp, Founder & Executive Director Donna Wright Somerville, 2020-2021 CMSA Chairman John Chipman Jr. of Chipman Relocation & Logistics. CMSA announces Grateful Gatherings as the recipient of the Chairman's Choice Charity Donation to receive a \$5K donation.