On behalf of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, we wish you a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving – filled with the gift of faith and the blessing of hope!

As we gather on this day to be thankful for what we have, for the family we love, the friends we
This year, the co-organizers of the annual Holodomor commemoration in New York City on the 3rd Saturday of November advised our community not to travel to St. Patrick’s Cathedral this November 21. In lieu of a mass gathering with remarks by elected officials, Metropolitan Antony, Prime Hierarch of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, and Bishop Paul Chomnycky, Eparch of the Ukrainian Catholic Diocese of Stamford, led a panakhyda on our community's behalf. With the attendance of Ambassador Serhiy Kyslytsya (Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations) and Oleksii Holubov (Consul General of Ukraine in New York) the entire program was streamed lived by the cathedral and is available to watch online: [https://youtu.be/Qf1HHG-07sw](https://youtu.be/Qf1HHG-07sw)

UCCA and the rest of our event organizers look forward to once again organizing this solemn commemoration on November 20, 2021, marking the
As a nonprofit organization, and the largest grassroots representation of Ukrainians in America, UCCA relies heavily on our donors for support, and we hope you will donate as generously as you can this upcoming Tuesday, December 1. #GivingTuesday is one of the important days for nonprofit donations all year, itself a global movement of generosity that is more vital in 2020 than ever before.

If you support our mission of cultural, educational, and humanitarian activities that emphasize Ukrainian heritage in America, join us on social media throughout the day on Giving Tuesday or donate earlier by making a fully tax-deductible gift today!

PS: Your company may also have a matching gift program, so please check with your HR representative. You might be able to double your impact!
Since a 2014 presidential decree made it an official state holiday, Ukrainians around the world mark each November 21 as the Day of Dignity and Freedom. It was on November 21, 2013, that ordinary people began gathering out in the cold heart of Kyiv’s Maidan Nezalezhnosti in response to the government’s decision to stop the Ukraine’s movement towards European integration and freeze preparations for the signing of the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement. This massive, months-long movement in support of reform and modernization led to the end of a criminal Presidential regime, and the beginning of a future based on European values, a future when corruption is to be challenged, not tolerated, and where rule of law and human rights are to be respected.

Also on this date, Ukrainians remember how 17 years ago, an estimated seven million Ukrainians participated in peaceful protests stemming from the falsification of the 2003-2004 Ukrainian Presidential Election. This historic Orange Revolution transformed not only the lives of those living in Ukraine, but those of the worldwide Ukrainian diaspora as well.

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America celebrates the indomitable Ukrainian spirit which manifested itself in the growth of a true Ukrainian identity among the Ukrainian electorate during the historic 2004 Orange Revolution, and the defense of these democratic values, rights and freedoms for which the Ukrainian people “laid body and soul” during the 2013-2014 Revolution of Dignity.

Last month, UCCA organized a panel discussion with the leader who led
Ukraine's Revolution on Granite.

Thirty years ago, the world witnessed something Ukraine had yet to experience – a mass protest in the nation's capital, at what was then known as October Revolution Square, now known as Maidan Nezaleshnosti. There, in Kyiv's center, a group of students set up a tent city, staged a hunger strike, and demanded change, vowing not to let up until their demands were met. This discussion between today's students in the United States and the former student leaders of Ukraine's revolution is available online: [https://youtu.be/NQG1RtZ0v0c](https://youtu.be/NQG1RtZ0v0c)

**WHAT IS UCCA?**

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA) is a non-profit, non-partisan community-based organization that has represented the interests of Ukrainians in the United States since 1940.

**ЩО ТАКЕ УККА?**

Український Конгресовий Комітет Америки (УККА) є неприбутковою, безпартійною громадською організацією, яка представляє інтереси українців у Сполучених Штатах Америки з 1940 року.