Hello, Ticket Holders for EVEN's 12th Annual Vegan Thanksgiving Peaceful Potluck!

1. We have your RSVPs and by now all of you have received your unique ticket numbers sent to you in an email of August 14. [If you did not receive, please let me know immediately so we can clear that up.]

2. We have 75 confirmed attendees (uh-oh! 5 over our 70 limit!) Many of you are new to EVEN and have been anxiously awaiting this affair all year. I am confident this special dinner will, as in years past, run smoothly.

3. I must say that we very much appreciate everyone's superior responsiveness and extra-special enthusiasm for this EVENT! Your courteous emails,
delightful recipe ideas, and general vegan-ized excitement for this special occasion have been overwhelming. THANK YOU!

**EVEN Volunteers:** You are a beautiful and amazing support system and we are all very grateful for your volunteer energies---year after year after year. We could not do this event without your help!!!

4. In order for us to manage the size, details and impact of this event, attendees for the 12th annual vegan thanksgiving peaceful potluck **must hold a ticket to this EVENT.** As you know, tickets were free, but limited.

**Next year, if we have enough volunteers, we will consider expanding the venue size.**

5. If you have a change of plans and cannot attend, please notify us so that we can transfer your ticket(s) to the next person on the waiting list.

6. Please re-read the information below that was sent to you earlier and let us know if you have questions.

7. This once-a-year EVENT is less than 5 weeks away (Remember it is the
Sunday **BEFORE** Thanksgiving) and we are as excited about it as you! **Woo hoo!**

Thank you everyone for your sweet attention to detail, your loving kindnesses toward EVEN all year long, and your impressive cooperation to make EVEN's 12th Peaceful Vegan Potluck a Thanksgiving to remember.

We give thanks for you!
Lin :)

[Information below is reprinted for your convenience.]

**SHORT VERSION:**

**WHAT:** EVEN's 12th Annual Vegan Thanksgiving Peaceful Potluck

**WHEN:** Sunday, 11/20/16, Doors Open - 3:15 pm
Dinner Time - 4:00 pm
(pre-assigned EVEN volunteers arrive at 2:30)

**WHERE:** Unity of the Valley Church, 39th & Hilyard, Eugene.

Please bring a **100% vegan dish**, for each member of your party, that serves 8.

*In other words, bring more than you will eat. ;)*

Bring a serving utensil, a place setting and utensils for yourselves.
Thank you for your RSVP for EVEN's 12th Annual Thanksgiving Vegan Potluck on 11/20/16, the Sunday before Thanksgiving. I hope you are excited about attending because I know we sure are!

Your Admission Tickets were sent to you in August.

We have 75+ attendees scheduled and confirmed to attend. We are no longer accepting RSVPs because 75 is our cap for a hall this size. So hang on to your ticket numbers because no one will be admitted without one.

(If, by chance, you have a change of plans and cannot attend, please let EVEN know so that your ticket(s) can go to the next folks on the waiting list.)

This is going to be a fantastic EVENt!

Here are just a few reminders and ideas to guide you:

1. This cruelty-free VEGAN Thanksgiving potluck is 100% vegan*. 
**Vegan** means **100% plant-based**, so the food you bring should be free of 

*meat, fish, fowl, milk, cheese, butter, cream, eggs, honey or gelatin, or other animal products.*

Thank you for honoring vegan. ❤️

2. This is a vegan affair. **You yourself do not have to be vegan, but your dish does.** Vegetarian dishes are not appropriate for this gentle Thanksgiving celebration. As most of you know, there is as much misery, suffering and pain inherent in the production of eggs and dairy products as there is in meat. Moreso! So for this meal on this occasion, thank you for keeping it vegan! And...

Since veganism is a diet of abundance, there is no shortage of delicious choices! You can locate tons of vegan options online or in books or here on our site: [Find links to thousands of vegan recipes here.]

3. It’s helpful if you legibly write the **ingredients** of the vegan dish you bring for those with food preferences and sensitivities and, of course, organic is always appreciated. Thank you.

*(Writing your ingredients card in advance (at home), helps the lines at the door move more smoothly. If you are bringing a vegan commercial product, it's fine to simply cut out the Ingredients Panel from the package, although we do encourage you to try your hand at home-made.)*

4. Remember to bring your own **place setting** and serving **utensil** for your dish. Do not bring any plate, tray, bowl, napkin, or utensil, or **any** item that is highly-valued that you cannot afford to lose. (You might want to tape your name to the item; I do. Just
a piece of masking tape on the bottom or on the handle with your name or initials can do the trick.)

5. **No alcohol, drugs, tobacco or smoking of any type** are permitted in the church, the restrooms, or on church grounds. Thanks!

6. **Doors open at 3:15 pm and dinner begins at 4p.** Assigned EVEN volunteers helping with set-up will be admitted earlier.

   *(EVEN Volunteers - You have already received a separate email detailing your assignments. Thank you all for volunteering!)*

7. Please **share these guidelines** with others in your party who will not receive this email.

8. EVEN will provide napkins and complimentary beverages.

9. A **donation of $2 per adult** in your party is requested at the door to help EVEN cover the hall rental and other expenses.

10. This is a great time to give thanks and go to your happy place and **leave your problems at home.**

11. Thank you, everyone, for your early reservation for tickets, and for making this 2016 EVENt EVEN’s best Vegan Thanksgiving Peaceful Potluck ever! The place, the people, the food, the music, the fun, are all guaranteed to be perfect this year. We are so happy you will be joining us and being a memorable part of this special get-together!

Look forward to seeing you there!

Warmest Wishes, Lin :)

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--- serving as a vegan resource since 2005---
www.eugeneveg.org

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