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**E&O Asian Kitchen To Host Thanksgiving Dinner for Homeless**  
*Accomplished Chefs Invite Aspiring CHEFS To 'Break Bread'—And Noodles—Together*

**San Francisco (November 2012)** – On Wednesday, November 21, E&O Asian Kitchen will host Thanksgiving dinner for nearly 40 students from the non-profit organization Conquering Homelessness Through Employment in Food Services (CHEFS). In addition to providing Thanksgiving dinner for those who may otherwise have had none, the hope of this meal is to bring together both aspiring and accomplished Chefs under one roof, and provide an environment that reinforces and inspires the students to continue their studies.

CHEFS is a six month program that was created and managed by the Episcopal Community Services (ECS) of San Francisco. ECS helps homeless and very low-income people every day and night obtain the housing, jobs, shelter, and essential services that each person needs to prevent and end homelessness.

The CHEFS program includes classroom instruction, hands-on kitchen training in institutional and restaurant settings, job counseling, and placement with coaching and follow-up. The program was created to help impart a real perspective of the culinary world, and to provide motivation and support to its participants. At present, 75 percent of CHEFS graduates acquire a place to live, as well as a better life through employment.

"This program is very close to our heart," said E&O Chef Sharon Nahm. "We have hosted several CHEFS internships here at E&O, and it's incredible to see the transformation that takes place with the students as they receive hands-on experience in a professional environment."

Students will enjoy a three-course meal in one of the newly remodeled private dining spaces of E&O. In keeping with the traditions of Thanksgiving and E&O, dishes will be served family-style.

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**About E&O Asian Kitchen:** E&O Asian Kitchen is a Modern Asian restaurant and lounge in the heart of San Francisco's vibrant Union Square at 314 Sutter Street between Stockton and Grant. Executive Consulting Chef Arnold Wong and Chef Sharon Nahm have created exciting and bold flavors in modern Asian dishes. Spanning three floors, the restaurant offers numerous opportunities for private events. Easy off-site parking is available at the Sutter-Stockton garage. Lunch is served Monday-Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Happy Hour occurs each Monday through Saturday from 3 to 6 p.m with dinner service Sunday from 5 to 10 p.m., Monday-Wednesday from 4 to 10 p.m, and Thursday through Saturday from 4 to 11 p.m. A Late Night Bar menu will also be available Thursday through Saturday evenings until Midnight or close. For more information, please visit the website: [www.eosanfrancisco.com](http://www.eosanfrancisco.com).