

## America's Gift to Our Generation By Chloe DiFilippo

America's past generations have given a huge gift to its citizens of this generation. By the term "America", I mean the citizens who make up the nation, not the land or territory itself. This gift could not be bought by money. Neither is there near enough ways to show enough of our true thanks for it within our lifetime. Although, we may forget about it and don't think about it much, we are often preserving and showing our thanks for it in our everyday tasks and actions.

This gift is freedom. Some of the people who allow us to keep this gift are the service men and women and veterans. They spend most of their days fighting to keep us safe. They proudly put their lives at a much greater risk just to protect us from terrible events. We owe a great many thanks to these veterans. We also owe it to those in the past who brought us the freedom through law and acts.

It is because of these citizens and warriors of freedom, that we can enjoy ourselves everyday, in this generation. We can enjoy our family time and make happy memories daily. We can get an education and any job we wish if we work for it. We can travel to places that we never thought we'd go in life because of freedom.

We can do many activities in our everyday lives that show our appreciation for the freedom that we have been given. Such things include saying the Pledge of Allegiance, donating money or clothes to veterans, using our freedom of speech to stand up for injustices or simply studying hard so that we can better ourselves to help better the nation as a whole. We can also protect the land that we have received and show our care for it.

In conclusion, America's gift to our generation, freedom, was graciously given to us. Our generation should honor and protect this gift with all of our might! As a famous song I know says "I am proud to be an American where at least I know I'm free, and I won't forget the men who died who gave that right to me". I will embrace the gift that has been given to me and protect it.