Dear Friend,

Since the summer, we have been working with, and providing case management for, several clients who are in the emergency motel program in Pasadena. This was initiated as Project Room Key, and now has been extended to keep those most vulnerable to COVID off the streets for as long as we can. Our Street Outreach Team has been involved on a daily basis with six to seven ongoing clients, helping to get them what is called, “document ready” for housing: I.D., birth certificate, social security information, and the other necessary paperwork needed for housing possibilities.

In our weekly meeting yesterday, the team told me that by the end of the year they should have housed at least four of these folks, with the others having plans in process. We have a veteran, a lady in her 60s with respiratory issues, and a man with significant physical disabilities; each of them is getting daily doses of compassion, connection and dignity as they manage this very difficult phase of their lives. Big shout out to William, Najwa, and our newest team member, Fabian, for tending to the most vulnerable.

The Food Pantry saw an astonishing 424 families this week, getting food and signing up for Thanksgiving turkeys and holiday toys for their kids. Our numbers in The Women’s Room are creeping up steadily as more ladies feel comfortable enough to come back in. The stories of those facing eviction in our Homeless Prevention Program continue to get more desperate, as people struggle to not become homeless. Another week, more opportunities to help as many people as we possibly can.

Your support and contributions make possible the impact we can have for these folks — so thank you! Please continue to keep FID at
the top of your charitable giving, especially as we head into the winter months, where we will need your help more than ever.

Happy Halloween, don’t forget to set your clocks back, and please VOTE!

Blessings, have a safe and lovely weekend,
Rabbi Joshua

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LAST DAY TO ORDER 3pm Tuesday, November 17
New volunteers in the Food Pantry. Pat, Cynthia, and Ashley ... 

... and Ingrid ... 

... and Rebecca. Thank you all!
Big thanks to Michael Ayranian for doing his Eagle Scout project to support Friends In Deed! He collected two cases of canned goods and made 47 hygiene kits, which were in lovely string-tied backpacks. We are so grateful.
Marshall Eagles Cheer Team dropped off a food drive! Our thanks to all the staff and students at Marshall Fundamental School, Pasadena.

Halloween in The Women's Room
I don’t know if it’s a witch or a pilgrim, but I’m scared!

We have so many talented artists!
A quiet moment for a TWR guest

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