

Dear Friend,

Relationships are one of the things we pride ourselves on at Friends In Deed. And, thanks to your support and commitment to our mission, we are able to truly focus on those things that make such a difference in our clients' and guests' lives: knowing their names, caring about them as individuals. So, with the closing of the Bad Weather Shelter for the season on Sunday, I want to highlight a beautiful relationship that has blossomed.

As I have shared, every Wednesday our good friends from the Azuza Pacific Nursing School bring students and their supervisors to the shelter to provide a clinic for our clients. Over this season, a few of the clients have developed a deep connection to the nurses, and particularly to the supervisors who are there every week. Mr. H is a regular who has some severe health issues. He sees the nurses every week. Thanks to the love and care they offer, Mr. H now trusts them to examine him and offer advice, and they have referred him to ChapCare, where they can follow up. He has opened up to them, and with their help, has gotten some of his health needs addressed. I want to thank Coy and Anne, our amazing nurse supervisors, and all of their students. This is truly a relationship that has made a huge difference!



A huge shout-out to William, Rachel, Leo, and the whole BWS staff for another season of caring and compassion. Thank you to Doreen, Pastor Steve, and Covenant Church for again hosting us - now 31 years! And to the hundreds of volunteers who came each night to set up and provide yummy food with love and care – thank you! The Bad Weather Shelter is truly an example of "doing together what we cannot do alone."

I look forward to being at First Congregational Church this Sunday!

Blessings and have a lovely weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



PS. It's the time of year to start thinking about golf again! Clickhere to learn more about our 3rd Annual Golf Classic on May 4.

PPS. Over 350 families come through the Food Pantry every week. Besides food, we provide toiletries such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, and pet food to our community. We are currently low on these highly desirable items and would appreciate any donations. Please contact the Food Pantry staff, Tim or Stacey, with any questions - 626 797 2402 ext 107 or email (Tim) <u>pantry@friendsindeedpas.org</u> or (Stacey) <u>pantryassociate@friendsindeedpas.org</u>.

As always, we can only operate with your help!

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Alex from Scout Troop 87 brings in the results of a food drive



Thank-you letters written 6th Graders at Polytechnic School after visiting the Food Pantry to learn about what we do



Volunteers with dessert for the Bad Weather Shelter



A delicious dinner ready to serve



Two of their five-a-day for our clients!



Sewing class for our Women's Room ladies



A sewing lesson creation



A colorful donation of citrus for the Pantry



A freezer stuffed with food for our Pantry clients



Used eggboxes become installation art!