



Dear Friend

The dedication of our volunteers is something that has amazed me since the first day I started at FID. And one of the more difficult repercussions of our current state of operations due to the pandemic is that most volunteers aren't able to come and do what they love: serving the community. So, we are especially grateful for the volunteers that have been able to come and serve, particularly in the Food Pantry. Here are some of the folks I want to thank:

Volunteers helping more than one time a week:  
**Ryan, Goh, Kellie, Cathy, Claudia and Maria.**

Volunteers helping at least one time a week:  
**Glenda, Stef, Ingrid, Mark E., Mazie, Debbie, Mark B., Sydney, Pierre, Rebecca, J.P., Gerry, Matt, Mark P.; and City of Pasadena Employees including Vivian, Omar, Charlotte, Angelina and Anaye.**

Thank you for being so dedicated and hard-working, helping to serve our most vulnerable, and helping Tim and Stacey to run such a well-oiled and strong pantry team. And having fun while doing it!

And, while none of us do this work to "be thanked," it is always gratifying to hear from clients about how they feel in our care. This is a note Najwa got from one of the ladies she placed in a motel this week:

*"I just wanted to thank you again! And say that it was really a pleasure meeting you. Thank you for sharing some of your recovery story with me. I am so grateful that you all are taking care of me - willing and able to help. I really just don't have enough words except to keep saying thank you and please let me know if there is anything I can do in return. I really hope you have a great rest of your day! :)"*

The only way we can continue to help people is with your support. You can contribute to our upcoming **Jazz on the Screen**, and get an **FID yard sign**, which shows off your support for Friends In Deed to your neighbors!. Click on the links, or the images below, for details.

# JAZZ on the SCREEN

"All Jazzed Up to Serve"



Finally, on this 4th of July weekend, we all know that things will be markedly different. There is so much happening in our nation right now. With thanks to my wife, I leave us with the indelible words of Maya Angelou—the final lines from her stirring poem “On the Pulse of Morning,” which she wrote and delivered at President Clinton’s first inauguration. Her words ring as true now as they did then. I would recommend reading the entire poem.

*The horizon leans forward,  
Offering you space to place new steps of change.  
Here, on the pulse of this fine day  
You may have the courage  
To look up and out and upon me, the  
Rock, the River, the Tree, your country...*

*Here on the pulse of this new day  
You may have the grace to look up and out  
And into your sister's eyes, and into  
Your brother's face, your country  
And say simply  
Very simply  
With hope  
Good morning.*

Blessings and have a safe, lovely and meaningful 4th of July weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



We can only operate with your help!

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Our thanks to the folks at Grocery Outlet for supporting us with their "Independence from Hunger" campaign! Mario and Michell are pictured here with Food Pantry Director Tim, and some of the bags of food donated.



**GIVE \$5\***  
**GET**  
**ALL OF JULY**  
Fight hunger in our community.  
All donations stay local.



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**This Year's Jazz on the  
Green Goes Virtual to  
Jazz on the Screen!**

Tuesday, August 25th -  
Saturday, August 29th, 2020  
With Live Video Event on Saturday at 7:30pm

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**HONOREES**  
First Congregational Church of Pasadena  
Grocery Outlet, Altadena  
Oliver and Susan Stark  
Lifetime Achievement Award  
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\* Doing together what we cannot do alone

