



Dear Friend,

As a faith-based organization, Friends In Deed has always valued and cherished our congregational partners. This is why we always choose a faith community as one of the honorees for our Jazz event. This year, we are thrilled to celebrate the mission and work of the [First Congregational Church, Pasadena](#), under the steady and strong leadership of that dynamic duo, the Revs. Marlene and Jake Pomeroy.

The church has been in our community since 1885 (it's even older than FID!), and Marlene and Jake have been at the helm since 1998. Both have served on our board; the church community has helped prepare our back-to-school backpack event and served meals in the Bad Weather Shelter every year; and Rev. Marlene has been in our Food Pantry, during these months of pandemic, helping to prepare the boxes for giving out in the coming week. I have had the pleasure of speaking in their church, and have actually known them both since my time in pulpit. We are thrilled to honor such a stalwart congregation at this year's Jazz on the Screen!



The Revs. Jake and Marlene Pomeroy, pictured here with Rabbi Joshua

We are surging past our goal for Jazz, thanks to all of you who have generously contributed. It is certainly not too late to join in the fun by [becoming a sponsor](#), [making a donation](#), and [registering to participate](#) in the silent auction and other fun stuff - all launching

next Tuesday! Visit the [website](#) to sign up to get reminders and to be able to bid throughout the week. All the fun will culminate in a live event next Saturday night, with Board Chair Richard Cheung and myself, along with some surprise guests, broadcasting from our very own Food Pantry.

And speaking of the pantry, the numbers continue to rise - two weeks ago we had 429 households, and this past week 400-plus again. As the staff continues to assess the ongoing pandemic and how it affects our work, we are planning ahead for the next several months, anticipating that the way things are right now will carry on until the end of the year. I am very proud of all of our staff for how they are adapting to the ever-changing situation, and making sure that our clients and guests get the compassion, connection and dignity that they each deserve as they visit FID for their critical needs.

As always, we can only make a difference in the lives of so many people because of your contributions of time and treasure. It is YOU who are making the impact on our clients, so thank you!

As the heat soars, please take care of yourselves and be on the look out for our most vulnerable neighbors, offering them what you can in these dog days of summer.

Blessings, have a safe and lovely weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



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"All Jazzed Up to Serve"

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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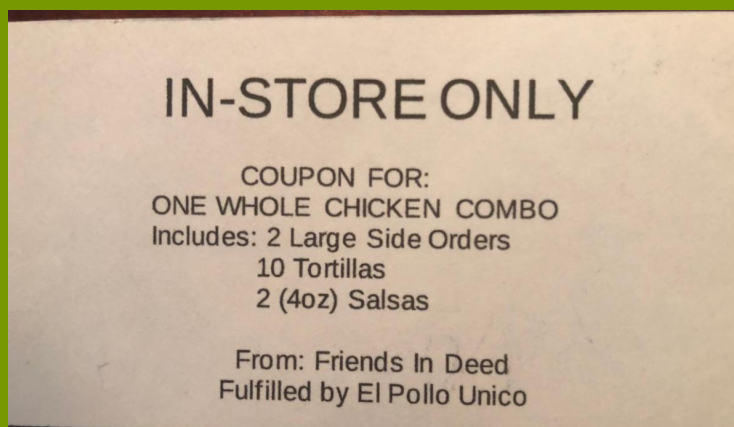
To visit our Jazz on the Screen website, please click [here!](#)



We miss our Girl Scout and Boy Scout visitors! Sierra first came to Friends In Deed with her troop when she was 5 years old. Today she returned just to drop off food donations, but we look forward to the day when we can welcome the whole troop again.



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