

Rabbi Joshua's Weekly Message

Dear Friend,

Today I have an update on a client that we helped back in May. This is from Najwa, our Housing Navigator and Outreach Specialist:

"Carl K. was a Food Pantry client and Tim called me to meet with him because he was in need and Tim had known Carl for a while and wanted to help him. Of course I agreed, and I am glad I did because he was really ready to get off the streets and wanted help. This was the beginning of our Motel Pilot Program; actually he was the first person to be placed into our new program.



Carl K. agreed to work with me while I found him Bridge Housing. He entered our Motel Pilot Program on May 18, 2021, and I was able to place him into Bridge Housing on May 24th. When Carl went into the Bridge Housing, he thought that was home and he was so happy to be off the streets. Case Management had to work with him to let him know that this wasn't his home and that he would be getting his own place soon. Needless to say that day came today when Carl moved into his own place! I was thrilled to join him to get the keys. He said that it was by the grace of God, and Friends In Deed, that he finally has his own place. He is so filled with joy and can't wait to cook his first meal!"



We are so happy for Carl, and proud of our team for navigating him into this new phase of his life. However, Carl doesn't have any stuff for his new place. The unit came with a twin bed and a table, but not much else. We are looking to collect items for him, so if you want to help, please mail gift cards to my attention, and say they are for Carl. He needs kitchenware, pots and pans, towels, Tupperware, etc. And whatever we don't use for Carl, we have two more people coming up right behind that will be housed in the next few weeks. Doing God's work together!



In other news, we have launched our new website! Big thank you to Merria, our Director of Development, and Helen, our Operations Manager, for their hard work on making this happen. We are very happy with the new look and some additional features, which include: bios for each of the staff; donation page that goes directly through our website (and not PayPal); all of my weekly emails, quarterly newsletters in one organized location; picture galleries for each program. All with the same address: www.friendsindeedpas.org

Thank you so much—we could never help people like Carl, and all of the other folks that depend on us each week without your support and generosity!

Blessings and have a lovely weekend, Rabbi Joshua



We can only operate with your help!

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Donations Requested

Our Street Outreach & Housing team are running very low on supplies to pass out. We are in need of sleeping bags, backpacks, blankets, jackets, pants, and hygiene products, specifically bar soap is especially needed to add to the hygiene bags we pass out. <u>View full post.</u>

Volunteers Glean Produce

This was one of the youth volunteer teams that gleaned the Pasadena Farmers Market, on behalf of FoodCycle, a couple of Saturdays back. <u>Read more.</u>



Pasadena Sandwich Company

Thanks to the Pasadena Sandwich Company for donating sandwiches to The Women's Room. <u>Read more.</u>

News and Events

Homeless Connect Day

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> The Salvation Army's Homeless Connect Day

Tuesday, November 2, 2021 10am – 2pm The Salvation Army Pasadena Tabernacle Corps 180 N. Mentor Ave. Pasadena (Between Walnut Street and Union Street)

Low income/high risk families are also welcome! Services available:

- Flu shots
- Hearing testing
- Legal advice



- Health education
- COVID-19 vaccines
- STD testing
- BP & Sugar testing
- Giveaways
- Free lunch



2021 Nonprofit of the Year!

Friends In Deed was chosen as a 2021 California Nonprofit of the Year!

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