

FRIENDS IN DEED*

Rabbi Joshua's Weekly Message

Dear Friend,

We are grateful for the many opportunities we have to partner with others in the community to make our work possible. One of the lesser known is Dial-A-Ride. Pasadena's Dial-A-Ride works with our Bad Weather Shelter to offer rides to motels for the vulnerable in our community on nights with cold temperatures. And, with this week's heat advisories, we activated the motel rooms to keep folks cool! I want to give a shout-out and thank you to Valerie Gibson, the Transit Manager for the city of Pasadena, who has spearheaded this effort. Not having a vehicle of our own, we wouldn't have been able to transport so many of our clients to the different motels around the city, especially with all of their stuff. Thank you!



In honor of Black History Month, my podcast this week featured Allen Edson, the president of the Pasadena chapter of the NAACP. Allen is a native of Pasadena and we had a wide-ranging conversation. I hope you will take some time to listen. And, if you

like it, there are several other episodes and it will be coming out weekly - so share with friends and on social media!

And this week, we received an incredibly generous, unexpected gift of \$40,000. We are so grateful to Andy Slavitt, and his podcast '[In the Bubble](#),' for reaching out to us and supporting our mission - thank you so much! And also thanks to one of our Friends In Deed supporters for suggesting us to Andy on Twitter. I encourage you to check out his podcast, which is really interesting. He has nearly one million monthly listeners.



Finally, many of you know that our Deputy Director and Grants Officer, Marty Campolo, works remotely from her home in Cincinnati. We have been having some fun this week in the run-up to the Super Bowl - we are a house divided here at Friends In Deed! But, since this is my email, "go Rams!" All in good fun.

Blessings and have a lovely weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



We can only operate with your help!

Donate today

Join the Legacy Society

Podcast

2022-6: Celebrating Black History Month

This week, Rabbi Joshua has a [wide-ranging conversation with](#)

[Allen Edson, the Pasadena Chapter President of the NAACP.](#)
Allen is a native of Pasadena and he shares his thoughts and views on the issues, challenges, celebrations and history he has participated in over many years in our city. He also shares wisdom and insights from his Muslim faith.



Get Social



Volunteers at the Pantry

This Food Pantry team rocks and rolls and gets our distribution days off to a great start. [Read more...](#)

News and Events

Volunteering is Beautiful!

Are you a licensed hairdresser or nail tech? We want you! The Women's Room is searching for two talented individuals to play a role in helping to restore dignity through compassion, connection, and the gift of your skills. We are looking to have hair trims and manicures once a month. It would be a 2-3 hour commitment on one of our monthly days of operation (M-Th from 10am-

4pm). We ask that our volunteers be vaccinated and wear masks while inside our facility. If you are interested in joining our family please email our program director, Marlene Martinez, at twr@friendsindeedpas.org.



Bad Weather Supply Distribution

Every Thursday, rain or shine, our team will be providing services out of First United Methodist Church (500 E. Colorado, Pasadena CA 91101) between 5 – 7pm, as well as on weather-activated days (less than 40 degrees, or more than 40% chance of rain). Clients will have the opportunity to receive supplies, including ponchos, blankets, food, etc. On Thursdays, our partners at the Azusa Pacific University nursing program will also be on hand.

FRIENDS IN DEED in partnership with the
CITY OF PASADENA and FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH provides



BAD WEATHER *Supplies*

EVERY THURSDAY AND ON WEATHER ACTIVATED* NIGHTS
January 6th through March 31st, 2022 | 5:00pm to 7:00pm
First United Methodist Church | 500 E Colorado Boulevard
*Weather Activated: forecast to be 40 degrees and below or 40% chance of rain

BAD WEATHER SUPPLIES OFFERINGS:

Cold Weather Supplies	Nurse Visits / Wellness Checks	Weather Activated* Limited Motel Stays (based on eligibility)
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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Friends In Deed is committed to fostering, cultivating, and preserving a culture of diversity, equity and inclusion. We embrace and celebrate the spectrum of our employees', volunteers', and clients' ages, color, ability or disability, ethnicity, family or marital status, gender identity or expression, language, national origin, physical and mental ability, political affiliation, race, religion, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, veteran status, neurodiversity, and other characteristics that make our employees, volunteers, and clients unique.

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