

Weekly Message

Dear Friend,

It has been hot in recent days, but that didn't stop a group of Lionsheart teens from volunteering at Friends In Deed. Fortunately for them, they got to be around water while they washed well over 125 milk crates and then turned their attention to the Friends In Deed van (which badly needed a bath). After working through some donations, the guys loaded the week's worth of cardboard into the van so that Tim, our Director of the Food Pantry, could take it to be recycled. It wasn't the most glamorous of volunteer work, but it sure helped out the Food Pantry. Thanks, guys!



And, we love our community partners! This week, I want to highlight MonteCedro Retirement Community for their awesome collection of school supplies for our <u>Back-to-School backpack drive</u> that supports kids and families in our Food Pantry community. If you have an organization that wants to be a community partner, please reach out to me.

And now, for some big news: we are ready to announce the

honorees for our upcoming 2022 summer fundraising event, Jazz, Encore!



You will start hearing about this (lots) in the coming weeks, but we wanted to highlight these wonderful people and organizations that have supported Friends In Deed as a kick-off. Drum roll please...

Honorees

Richard S. Cheung, D.C. Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center Villa Garden Retirement Community

Special Volunteer Recognition

Lisa and Scott Nelson

Finally, I am excited to be back in church this Sunday, speaking at Assumption of the Virgin Mary Catholic Church. I will be speaking at the 9am and 11am mass. If you'd like me to speak at your congregation, please reach out.

Our hard-working staff will be getting the next week off for a quick Summer Break to rest and recharge before the second half of the year.

Thanks for all that each of you do and for making FID such a special place for so many people.

Blessings and have a lovely weekend, Rabbi Joshua



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New podcast episode

On this episode, Rabbi Joshua borrows a technique from the podcast 'The Daily,' and narrates an article that he wrote for the Pasadena Now online news site about the idea of creating a Tiny Home Village in the city of Pasadena. Activists and residents are still working hard to get this idea, which has been successful in many parts of LA, to merit a discussion at the full City Council meeting. Listen here.





FID Summer Break July 9-15

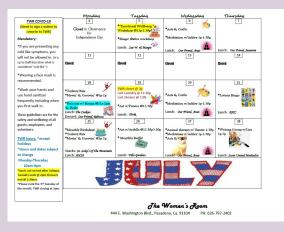
Our staff will be taking a well-deserved Summer Break from Saturday, July 9th through Friday, July 15th. Programs and services will resume normal operating hours on Saturday, July 16th. Thank you!

Thank you, MonteCedro!

MonteCedro Retirement Community came through for us in a big way! Check out all those donations for our annual Backpack and School Supply drive!! We are accepting



donations of these items on-site Saturday 7/16, Thursday 7/21, and Friday 7/22 from 9am to 3pm. Read more...



The Women's Room July Calendar

The Women's Room July calendar is full of wonderful activities!



Behind-the-Scenes Volunteering

More photos of our Lionsheart teen volunteers getting work done for our Food Pantry behindthe-scenes. See more...

Water Bottle Donations Needed

With the hot weather upon us, our programs are hoping for water bottle donations. The Women's Room, Street Outreach team, and Food Pantry could all use water bottles to give out to our clients on the streets.

Donations can be dropped off



Saturday, July 16th from 9am to 3pm.

News and Events

Backpack and School Supply Drive!

We ask you to help us by dropping off donations of backpacks and school supplies to Friends In Deed House.
Donations will be accepted between 9am and 3pm on the following days only:

- Saturday, July 16
- Thursday & Friday, July 21-22

For more information and printable list, <u>click here</u>.



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Friends In Deed

2022-2023 Back-to-School Backpack & School Supply Drive

Dear Friends,

As the school year ends and summer approaches, we are looking forward to making a fresh start in the fall. The Food Pantry community is pleased that our young students will again return to be with their fiends and teachers in the classroom next school year. With anticipation, we have already started planning our annual "Back-to-School" event.

Our FID families continue to face many financial challenges including frustrations over rising prices and supply shortages. Economic instability and the pervasive uncertainties of our time make it even more difficult for families to prepare their children for the new school year. This makes our 2022-2023 "Back-to-School" event so vital to the families we serve.

Your participation is more important than ever. Your help and support are imperative to the success of this special event. We cannot do it without you.

Every year, we come to you, our Friends In Deed family, to help us make the Back-to-School Backpack & School Supply Drive a success. Last year, we gratefully distributed over 330 backpacks filled with school supplies to school-aged children representing over 60 schools in Pasadena and the neighboring communities.

We hope that you will join us in this effort!

On two consecutive Saturdays, July 30 and August 6, we will be distributing backpacks and supplies to families in our community. We ask you to help us by dropping off donations to the Friends In Deed house, located at 444 E. Washington Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91104 (on the corner of Washington Blvd. and Los Robles Ave.).

Donations will be accepted between 9am and 3pm on the following days only:

Thursday, Friday & Saturday, June 30, July 1 & July 2 Thursday & Friday, July 7 & 8 Saturday, July 16 Thursday & Friday, July 21 & 22



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