



Weekly Message

Dear Friend,

Nicole turned up at The Women's Room dragging an enormous suitcase behind her and with nowhere to go that night. She had been sleeping in her car, but it had broken down and the local residents had it towed away. A vulnerable young woman, she really wasn't the kind of person we wanted to leave to the mercies of the streets, and we certainly couldn't send her back to her very abusive and exploitative family.

Fortunately, Najwa from our Street Outreach Team was able to get her a motel room for that night. She then worked to get Nicole into bridge housing, and was successful in finding her a place to move into that same week!

Nicole says she has struggled to find a direction for her life, and she has been experiencing mental health issues and on-and-off homelessness for some time. This move into bridge housing marks a huge step for her towards independence and self-sufficiency.



It is for people like Nicole, and the hundreds of others that we serve each week, that we exist. And, in order to keep up this level of service and care, we have our summer fundraiser, [Jazz Encore!](#) As we get closer to the special week, I want to continue to highlight our honorees. This week is Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center (PJTC).



Debby Singer represents the PJTC Sisterhood with a meal and gifts for TWR.

For many years, in many different ways, PJTC has supported Friends In Deed, but the main areas have been at the Bad Weather Shelter, and through the work of the PJTC Sisterhood. The women of Sisterhood, under the leadership of their president, Nancy Carlton, provide a wonderful meal to the guests in The Women's Room every month. It is prepared with love and care, and it is a collaborative effort of several different women. On top of this, the Sisterhood email is always highlighting the work of FID. We are so grateful! And, during the Bad Weather Shelter seasons in the past several years, a group from the synagogue, coordinated by Debby Singer, who is also an FID board member, volunteered for a night. They

brought dinner, set up the cots, greeted the clients and spend some time sharing the Jewish values of hesed, compassion, *tzedek*, justice and righteousness, and *kehillah*, community. We are very proud to honor Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center!



PJTC provides a meal for the Bad Weather Shelter

I am continuing my church tour with a stop at First United Methodist Church this Sunday. I love connecting with the community and different congregations—please reach out if I can visit yours.

If you haven't become a sponsor or donated to Jazz Encore! yet, now is a great time! [Click here](#) and join the fun—every dollar counts!

Blessings, stay cool, and have a lovely weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



We can only operate with your help!

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The Sound of Music!



Pasadena's First United Methodist Church celebrated the 50th anniversary of their summer musical theater program with a production of The Sound of Music. The cast supported Friends In Deed by hosting a coffee hour bake sale and raising \$240! [Read more...](#)



Thank You to The Shakespeare Club!

Shakespeare Villa in Pasadena is now providing monthly lunches for The Women's Room. Pictured here, left to right: Marlene, Director of TWR, and Cindy and Anne from the Shakespeare Club. [Read more...](#)



Thank You to Our Generous Food Pantry Clients

One of our Food Pantry clients wanted Doug to look more official as he assisted clients waiting for food each day, so last week, he gave Doug this beautiful new cap. We love how our clients take care of us. [Read more...](#)



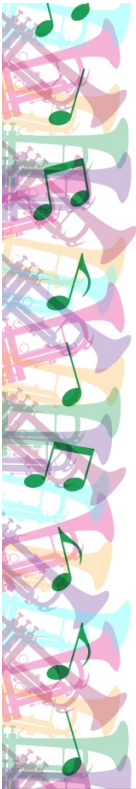
Friends In Deed Garden

Another of our Food Pantry clients, who is also a gardener, noticed our garden getting out of control. He and a friend spent hours this week cleaning, pruning, and mulching. It looks beautiful! [Read more...](#)

News and Events

Jazz Encore!

Friends In Deed is proud to introduce this year's summer fundraising event: Jazz, Encore! Taking place August 23rd - 25th, this is our largest fundraiser each year. Proceeds support all of our programs and services, and more details can be found at bidpal.net/fidjazz2022



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IN
DEED***
PRESENTS

JAZZ ENCORE!

"All Jazzed Up to Serve"

**Introducing
Jazz, Encore!**

Tuesday, August 23rd -
Thursday, August 25th, 2022
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HONOREES
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Villa Gardens Retirement Community

Special Volunteer Recognition
Lisa and Scott Nelson

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