

**Doing together what we cannot do alone*



Weekly Message

Dear Friend,

When it comes to volunteering, the Food Pantry is one of the most popular programs for people to request. Director of the Food Pantry Tim Nistler does an amazing job in connecting with local organizations, congregations, businesses, and, especially, schools. Our partnerships with many of the Pasadena area schools go back years! One of the longest partnerships is with Polytechnic School.

Before COVID, it was a regular event for the Poly 6th graders to tour the Food Pantry on a distribution day and then help out for a bit. It was a great experience for the students, and our Pantry community loves seeing young people helping out. That all stopped when the pandemic hit.



Donations from a food drive organized by Polytechnic School students.

Thankfully, this past September we started a weekly program in which a group of Poly 8th graders come to volunteer for an hour or more almost every Thursday. This has given the students an opportunity to learn, at first hand, about the Food Pantry, how it operates, and who we serve. Many of the students jump right in and are more than happy to help our Pantry community as they navigate their shopping opportunity. We are super grateful for this relationship and look forward to it continuing for many more years.

We are just one week away from our Golfing for Good tournament! Thank you to everyone who has signed up to play, bought dinner tickets and tee sponsorships, or made a general donation. There are still a few foursomes left to play, but you need to [register by](#) Tuesday April 2nd!

For those of you who are observing, wishing you a meaningful Good Friday and Happy Easter!

Blessings and have a lovely weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



We can only operate with your help!

Donate today

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**Earthwise Bags for the Food
Pantry**



Our longtime Food Pantry friend and donor, Earthwise Bags, came through again in a huge way - 10,000 Grand Canyon-themed reusable bags. Thank you, Earthwise...[Read more.](#)



Huntington Health Donation

Huntington Health's Philanthropy office generously donated thousands of disposable plates, cutlery, cups and napkins. These items will help our programs continue to serve our clients. Thank you, Huntington Health...[Read more.](#)



TWR Guests Show Art at Vroman's Bookstore

We sincerely appreciate Vroman's Bookstore for graciously hosting The Women's Room art exhibit, "Flourish." This past weekend's reception was a beautiful celebration of the creativity and resilience of our TWR guests. Each piece tells a story of strength, growth, and the transformative power of community support...[Read more.](#)

The Gooden School 5th Grade Students at the Food Pantry



Thank you to the wonderful 5th graders from The Gooden School for lending a helping hand at our Food Pantry last week! They helped unload a pallet of food we received from the LA food bank, stocked shelves, and broke down and loaded in boxes into the truck for recycling....[Read more.](#)

News and Events

Golfing for Good

Just a few spots remain for next Friday's Golfing for Good at Brookside Golf Club. [Register today!](#)



51st Annual Mayor's Interfaith Prayer Breakfast

[Tickets are now available for the 51st Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast](#) taking place on Thursday, May 2, 2024 from 7:30-9:00 AM at the Pasadena Convention Center. Friends In Deed is proud to once again be hosting this event, where hundreds of community members, Pasadena residents, local leaders, and the interfaith community come together with Mayor Victor M. Gordo for a morning of peace, prayer, and reflection under the theme: ***Leaping Into the Future***



Warm Clothing Needed

BWS is in need of warm clothing for clients at the shelter.

Donations are only accepted on weather-activated nights, from 6-7:30pm. Drop off at Trinity Lutheran Church (984 Locust Street, Pasadena, 91106). Please park in the lot on the east side of the building, and look for BWS security.

Members of the community can call 888-915-8111 at any time to find out if the shelter is activated.



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