



Weekly Message

Dear Friend,

Our Eviction Prevention and Rental Assistance program (EPRA) recently helped a single adult senior maintain his subsidized housing. Roger, a man in his early 70s, survives on the fixed income he receives from Social Security retirement. He had been living with his adult son and renting a unit with a housing choice voucher, also known as Section 8. With this kind of assistance, the amount of rent the tenant pays each month is adjusted based on their income. For Roger and his son, the monthly rental amount was based on the two incomes. When his adult son decided to move out of the unit without notice, Roger discovered that his son had not been paying his full amount of rent, which left Roger with arrears owed that he could not afford on his fixed income. Roger was lucky to have a resourceful landlord who referred him to FID to see if we could assist. EPRA was able to help Roger pay off the arrears and EPRA Assistant Director, Marlene, communicated with Roger's housing assistant at the City of Pasadena Housing Department, who was able to immediately adjust the rental amount based on one income. With a small amount of funding, EPRA was able to help this senior stay in his affordable housing.

As everyone knows, we can only help people like Roger, and the thousands of others in need, with your help. There are many ways to support us, and a fun one is coming up! Our next fundraiser, [Cooking for a Cause](#), is happening on June 24th, 5:30-7:30pm at Agnes Restaurant and Cheesery. It promises to be a super evening of premier cooking competition, camaraderie, and flavorful fun. There are many ways to participate, including sponsorships, ticket sales, donations, and joining us online for the livestream. All of the information is [here](#), so join in and don't miss Cooking for a Cause 2024!

Finally, we honor the memories of those that have fallen in service to our country. We wish comfort and strength to all of the families who remember loved ones this Memorial Day.

Blessings and have a lovely weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



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Forever Friends Legacy Society

Podcast

2024-6 Older Americans Facing Eviction is on the Rise

In this episode, Rabbi Joshua speaks with Stacey McCarroll, the Director of our Eviction Prevention and Rental

Assistance program, about the overall state of evictions in our community, and the rising rate of older Americans in particular. [Listen now.](#)



Get Social



Welcome, Hughes!

Hughes is an MSW intern at Friends In Deed, working in the Street Outreach and Housing department with a focus on providing effective outreach strategies and providing support to homeless populations. He received his Bachelor's degree from University of the East, and is working on his Master's of Social Work at University of Massachusetts Global. Hughes is dedicated to gaining hands-on experience...[Read more.](#)



EPRA Workshop

EPRA recently welcomed clients to a Better Money Habits workshop led by Bank of America volunteer bankers, Gloria, Rebecca, and Christian (not pictured). The workshops provide EPRA clients with budgeting and banking basics in order to help them better manage their household finances. Clients shared that it was a valuable experience and the information helped put them on the right

track...[Read more.](#)



Home Instead donation

We deeply appreciate Greg from Home Instead Pasadena for his generous donation of blankets and socks to our Street Outreach and Housing program. Your kindness ensures our community stays warm and cared for...[Read more.](#)

News and Events

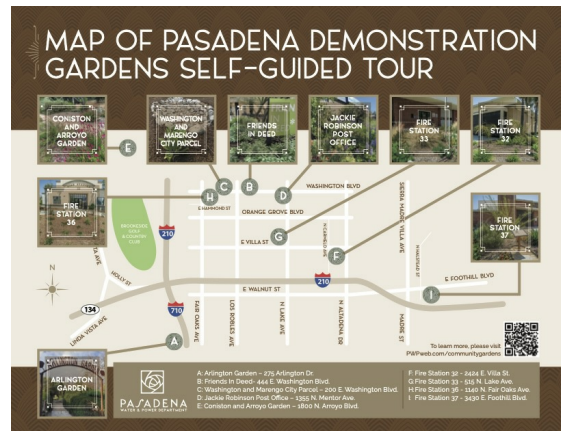
Cooking for a Cause

Friends In Deed is looking for competitors to appear in Cooking for a Cause 2024. Aspiring young chefs will have the opportunity to cook on site during the live event. Applications are due **Friday, May 24th at midnight** [Click here](#) to apply!



Pasadena Gardens Self-Guided Tour

Friends In Deed's drought-tolerant garden is featured on a self-guided tour hosted by Pasadena Water and Power for the month of May. We're thrilled to showcase our garden to the community. If you're in the area, be sure to stop by!



Farm Fresh to You

Revitalize your plate with organic goodness! Our partnership with Farm Fresh To You lets you enjoy fresh, organic produce delivered to your door, and 10% goes back to supporting Friends In Deed.

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