

**Doing together what we cannot do alone*



Weekly Message

Dear Friend,

What a beautiful morning we had yesterday at the 51st Pasadena Mayor's Interfaith Prayer Breakfast! 500 people gathered together for community, prayer, inspiration, and connection. Our keynote speaker, Dr. Melissa Ramirez, shared the very moving and inspirational story of her life: a native of Pasadena, first generation Latina, and graduate of Marshall Fundamental School (whose orchestra was a great addition to our event), who will now have her very own organic chemistry lab at the University of Minnesota. A huge thank you to Vannia and Araceli from the mayor's office, and to Merria and Elyse from our FID staff, for their hard work in making this event such a success. I want to also give a huge shout out to Trader Joe's for donating all the flowers, and the ladies of The Women's Room for arranging them so beautifully.



Rabbi Joshua Levine Grater, Pasadena Mayor Victor Gordo, Keynote Speaker Dr. Melissa Ramirez, and FID Board President Bret Schaefer.



TWR guests with Pasadena Mayor Victor Gordo.

And now... Monday, May 6th is our Golfing for Good tournament! We are excited to spend the day at Brookside with all our golfers, and to raise funds for Friends In Deed. We have room for two more

foursomes and a couple of singles to play – so if you are interested and available on Monday, [sign up now!](#)

Finally, we are very grateful for our partnership with the Pasadena Humane Society, and all the support they have given us over many years. A few weeks ago, some of their staff showed up with two pallets of pet food – for dogs and cats – in order to support the needs of our guests and clients who have animals in their lives. We know how important pets are for the health and wellbeing of people, especially those who are unsheltered - they provide companionship, safety, and love, which are often sorely lacking in the lives of people in that demographic. At FID, we seek to serve the whole person, which includes their pets!



Chris and Luis from Pasadena Humane delivered two pallets of pet food.

Thanks for being a part of helping us fulfill our motto of “doing together what we cannot do alone.”

Blessings and have a lovely weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



We can only operate with your help!

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EBell Luncheon

The Women's Room had the pleasure of attending a Grantee Awards Luncheon with The Ebell of Los Angeles. The Ebell generously awarded TWR with a grant for program operations this year. The organization provides grants to agencies who support women in various ways. We are so grateful for the support...[Read more.](#)



CROP Hunger Walk

Our community came together once again for the annual Pasadena CROP Hunger Walk to fight hunger locally and beyond. FID is grateful to be one of the beneficiaries of the funds raised by the walk. Participants had the opportunity to visit our Food Pantry and learn more about our food distribution efforts. □...[Read more.](#)

Welcome, Al!

We're excited to welcome Al Hackett to our team!

Al joined Friends In Deed full time in April 2024 as an Outreach Specialist with the Street Outreach and Housing team. Prior to holding this position, he worked at Union



Station Homeless Services, serving people experiencing homelessness in Pasadena...[Read more.](#)



Volunteer Appreciation BBQ

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us in celebrating our amazing volunteers at our Volunteer Appreciation BBQ. Your commitment and passion are the secret ingredients to our success! Special shoutout to the Knights of Columbus for their grill expertise and for making the afternoon so deliciously memorable...[Read more.](#)

News and Events

Golfing for Good

We still have some availability to join in! For sponsorship opportunities, to reserve your spot on the golf course, or for more details, please visit friendsindeedpas.org/golf.



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. It's a win-win for healthy living and community support! Just visit [Farm Fresh to You to sign up](#).

If you are a current customer, [use this link to automatically add the fundraising code: FRIENDSINDEED](#)



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