

# **Weekly Message**

Dear Friend,

Perspective is an aspect of life that I have become more keenly aware of since starting at FID almost eight years ago. Everyday experiences, activities, and individual moments that I often took for granted have gained new meaning. One of those moments took place this week in The Women's Room. An amazing volunteer group, The Sweet Teas, graced TWR with another beautiful summer tea party. These ladies bake fresh tea treats, bring china and tea, and throw the fanciest tea parties for TWR. Our guests thoroughly enjoy themselves! When folks ask how we affect the lives of women on a daily basis - in addition to the showers, laundry and food experiences like these tea parties are a great example. Showering the ladies with dignity, respect and love by not just bringing some tea and cakes, but by putting them on good china and serving them in such a beautiful way, we provide the women a day to remember as special – and this is certainly something they won't take for granted. In this case, perspective is everything.





And, to continue on the TWR theme, yesterday the staff threw a lovely baby shower for Director of TWR, Lindsey Reed, who is expecting her first child in two months. It was a fun and festive lateafternoon gathering at one of our favorite spots, Callisto Tea House with games, gifts, gratitude, and camaraderie. We are super excited for Lindsey!





The guest of honor at her baby shower.

The Street Outreach Team wishing Lindsey all the best.

Tomorrow and next weekend, the Food Pantry will be distributing hundreds of backpacks and school supplies to the families in our pantry community. Huge thanks to Tim and his team, and all the volunteers who donated, helped assemble, and will give out the backpacks!

Finally, we are just three weeks away from our 130th birthday party – it is going to be amazing! We are very excited to show everyone the archives we have from past century of service to our community: we have board minutes from the 1930s and 1940s, pictures and slides from the whole of the 20th century, and lots of other memorabilia that will be turned into a timeline for everyone to enjoy. If you haven't already, <u>please RSVP</u> and, if you are able, <u>consider contributing \$130</u> in honor of the occasion. This is going to be an event that will truly have our motto on full display: "doing together what we cannot do alone!"

Blessings and have a lovely weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



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## **Forever Friends Legacy Society**

# Podcast

# 2024-9 Grants Pass v. Johnson, Part II

In this episode, Rabbi Joshua continues the conversation about the Grants Pass decision, and specifically how this might start directly affecting our city of Pasadena. He welcomes Friends In Deed's Director of Street Outreach and Housing, Tish Inong, MPA, MSW, LCSW.



#### Listen Now.

# Get Social

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#### Preparation for our Annual "Back To School" Event

Preparation for this Saturday's annual "Back To School" event took place last Friday and Saturday. Thank you to Amanda, Mary Lou, and Bobbie, from Pasadena Rotary, and the Pasadena First Baptist Church Youth group for getting us ready. 400 school supply bags were made and stored...Read more.

#### Happy International Day of Friendship!

We celebrate the incredible community that has surrounded

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Friends In Deed for 130 years. To our dedicated supporters, volunteers, community partners, and clients, thank you for being our Friends!...Read more.



### The Assistance League of Pasadena Makes 400 School Supply Bags

The Assistance League of Pasadena made 400 school supply bags for our annual Back To School event. Thank you to Michelle Chino for reaching out to us and making this happen and to everyone with the Assistance League of Pasadena!...Read more.

# **News and Events**

## **130th Birthday Celebration**

Join us for an evening of celebration, community, and gratitude. There will be food, activities, and a walk down memory lane as we honor the incredible journey of Friends In Deed and the impact we've made together. <u>Registration for the</u> <u>free event is now open.</u>



## August TWR Calendar

Check out the full list of activities

and services the program provides throughout the month.



## **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.

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