

Announcing Our New Name

We are excited to announce that Aid For Friends will now be known as Caring For Friends.

For over 45 years, Caring for Friends (formerly Aid For Friends) has been delivering meals and friendship to seniors and isolated individuals throughout the greater Philadelphia area. This work is driven by our mission to alleviate the hunger and loneliness of our neighbors who are often homebound and sometimes disabled. We will never stop doing this critical work, but for years now we have also been doing so much more. Our new name, Caring for Friends, captures the breadth and depth of what we provide to our client friends, and what our client friends mean to us.

Since our founding in 1974, Caring for Friends volunteers have served over 15 million meals to more than 14,000 individuals. As we celebrate our 45th anniversary, we have chosen a name that reflects our reinvigorated identity, captures what we have done all along, and adds recognition of the enormity of what our volunteers do to combat isolation and loneliness.

Same Mission, Same Organization

Caring for Friends is known for doing a lot with a little. Our small staff supports thousands of volunteers who work hard to honor the dignity of every individual. The friendship aspect is just as important as the delivery of meals. Volunteers spend quality time visiting their homebound clients when they deliver meals each week. This leads to deep and beautiful bonds between the Caring for Friends volunteer visitors and their client friends, who become true friends. And our donors provide the funds, food, meal preparation, services, and transportation necessary to make all of this happen. In fact, every dollar donated to Caring for Friends generates more than \$6 in free meals and services for our client friends.

Although the work we do has not changed, our new name more accurately reflects the care that goes into everything we do and the mission of our organization. Our volunteers truly care about the people we are helping, who would otherwise be dealing with hunger or isolation. And we truly care about our volunteers, who have been sharing food and friendship with these new friends, making sure they are not only nourished, but are also supported in other needs that might be present.

Thank you so much for your interest and dedication to Caring for Friends. We couldn't do this life-changing work without people like you who care.

Visit www.caringforfriends.com to learn more about these stories of friendship.