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THREE LOCAL JEWISH NON-PROFITS JOIN FORCES TO DELIVER ROSH HASHANAH MEALS TO SENIORS

WEST PALM BEACH, FL – August 27, 2020 – Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service (Alpert JFS), the Jewish Volunteer Center of the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County, and The Kind Kitchen of Palm Beach have teamed up for a “United Rosh Hashanah Meal Drive” on September 17-18, 2020. People who want to make a difference are encouraged to sign up to deliver meals to hundreds of individuals in this coordinated effort.

Volunteers will wear masks and gloves, and practice social distancing when they safely deliver the holiday meals of a round challah and honey, gefilte fish, salad, chicken, sweet *tzimmes* (a stew of carrots and dried fruit), and honey cake. Recipients will be isolated and vulnerable community members age 65+ years in Boynton Beach, Lake Worth, Palm Beach Gardens, Royal Palm Beach, Wellington, and West Palm Beach.

“At the Kind Kitchen, we will start the new year off on the right note: sharing and caring,” said Chana Ezagui, owner of The Kind Kitchen. “We will bring warmth and the taste of tradition to the homes of the elderly and Holocaust survivors in need.”

“It is so meaningful at the start of a new year to think of others,” said Alpert JFS Director of Volunteer Services Belinda Lasky. “We are grateful to those who volunteer, giving their time and talents throughout the year.”

“It is a gift to see our community come together to care for those in need during the Jewish New Year,” said Melissa Hudson, Director, Jewish Volunteer Center. “Through our volunteer collaboration we are honoring the Jewish value of *G’milut Chasadim*, acts of loving kindness, and that feels good for all who deliver and receive meals.”

Registration to volunteer for meal delivery is required by Friday, September 11, 2020 at www.bit.ly/RHvolunteer, where volunteers can select the most convenient location and time. Community members may sponsor a Rosh Hashanah meal on The Kind Kitchen web site at www.TheKindKitchen.org/ or by calling 561-596-7539.

The Kind Kitchen of Palm Beach is located at 844 Prosperity Farms Road in North Palm Beach. The 501(c)(3) organization, dedicated to doing kindness, provides weekly kosher meals to those in need, from the elderly to single mothers, and people with terminal illness. Menus rotate each week so established clients have variety.

The Jewish Volunteer Center of the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County works to identify, cultivate, and develop a network of people and opportunities that connects the Jewish community with meaningful volunteer experiences.

Established in 1974, Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service (Alpert JFS) is a nationally accredited service provider for children, adults, seniors, and Holocaust survivors. The non-profit, non-sectarian organization is a trusted leader, with a team of 200 highly skilled professionals delivering high-quality care to community members. Alpert JFS works to ensure the well-being of children and families, independence of older adults, and quality of life for individuals with disabilities. For more information, visit www.AlpertJFS.org/ or phone 561-684-1991.

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