Media Advisory

CARL M. FREEMAN FOUNDATION GRANT TO INTERFAITH WORKS WILL HELP NEIGHBORS SEEKING STABILITY

Interfaith Works (IW) expresses deep gratitude to The Carl M. Freeman Foundation Board of Trustees, which has awarded an unrestricted one-year grant of $115,000 to support IW programs as part of the legacy fund in honor of Joshua M. Freeman.

Interfaith Works CEO Courtney Hall said, “This generous grant means that more Montgomery County neighbors will be able to find a pathway to stability through Interfaith Works’ vital programs. It is a great example of neighbors helping neighbors, many of whom are still struggling due to the ongoing impacts of the pandemic.”

“This past December marked the 15th anniversary of Josh’s untimely death. We wanted to make this significant gift to Interfaith Works because their programs exemplify the work that Josh hoped to see in Montgomery County,” said Michelle Freeman, President and Chair of the Foundation. “We are pleased to support Interfaith Works in lifting up residents to overcome challenges and take steps forward towards improving their lives.”

Interfaith Works programs, which help 35,000 County residents each year, include providing safe emergency and longer-term housing to people experiencing homelessness; operating a distribution center where people can access free clothing, home goods, and food; offering vocational support and training to enable un- and underemployed people to enter and succeed in the workforce; and giving financial assistance and resource counseling to residents facing difficult challenges, including the threat of eviction or utility cutoff.

“Thank you to the Carl M. Freeman Foundation for being such a great neighbor in choosing to honor the memory of Joshua Freeman by supporting Interfaith Works,” Hall said.

If you are interested in interviewing IW CEO Courtney Hall about the impact of this gift, please contact Charlotte Garvey, Interfaith Works, cgarvey@iworksmc.org, 301.807.8819.

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