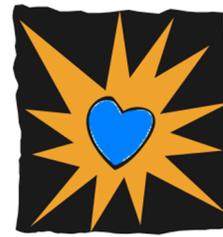


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Faith In Action Ribbon Cutting

What an honor to have an article about our organization in our local paper, The Republican Eagle! Head over to their website or stop by a local paper stand and grab an issue! Thank you Melissa Thorud for coming to our ribbon cutting and taking an interest in what we do! You wrote a great article letting the community know what services we provide! If you need services or if you'd like to volunteer call us at 651-327-2400.

TOP NEWS

New Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 8AM - 3:30PM
Closed Holidays.

Volunteers Needed!

Interested in volunteering? Give us a call! 651-327-2400

Want Katherine to speak to your group or church?

Please email her at director@faithinactionredwing.org

Update on our phone system - Only Call 651-327-2400



Only call FIA at 651-327-2400!

Discontinue using any other number you have used in the past. The other numbers will unfortunately continue to ring and not be answered.

Follow us on
Instagram and Facebook.



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2022 Annual Appreciation Dinner

Did you get snapped at our last event? Check out the photos below and also our social media to see if you were snapped!



Director's Musings

Hello Newsletter Subscribers!

The last time I mused I had only held this position for several weeks. I didn't have much to "muse" over other than some hopes and dreams of the future of FIA. Now I have been the executive director for one year and I feel like so much has happened!

Kaiser Health News wrote an article on the lack of volunteer drivers and how it is affecting the rural areas. Our organization and a few of our volunteers were heavily sited and photographed.

The Republican Eagle also did a great spread about our organization and the things we are doing for our community. The faces of our office staff changed. We participated in multiple local business and nonprofit expos. We raised money to further our technology and get our phones operating properly; raised money by participating in Give to the Max; started getting social on social media apps like Instagram and Facebook! We used those sites to make important communications, like getting 10 new volunteers and honor the loved ones of you, our subscribers and donors. We even were able to get our rides online so our volunteers can login and look to see what rides are available and claim them themselves! We celebrated our volunteers by gathering for a meal for the first time since the pandemic; said goodbye to a few board members who served us well and welcomed our new board members. I've been able to speak at multiple service group meetings and church groups. Which have all been a blessing.

Most of all we have helped the citizens of Red Wing remain a little more independent. We have helped the citizens of Red Wing feel a little more confident, stay healthy or aided in getting them healthier. We have done all of this by way of our volunteers providing on average 175 rides a month to doctor appointments, hair appointments, grocery store trips and much more. I have witnessed so much kindness in the last year! Our volunteers have the biggest hearts and just want to help others any way they can. I feel so extremely blessed to get to come to work and know that every day the organization I work for is helping people. And not just any people but our neighbors, in our community! And guess who is helping them? Other neighbors! Wow Red Wing, we have some amazing humans in our community, and I feel so blessed to be surrounded by the best of them!

Until next time, continue being kind and finding ways to help others!



Send us your best photos!

We are in need of photos of volunteers assisting receivers for the website, social media, brochures and more.

Be sure that both parties sign a media release.

The document can be emailed to you or pick up a copy in the office.

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COFFEE PLEASE

VOLUNTEER COFFEE

drivers, book house call & friendly visitors,
church coordinators & donors

Come to an open house
coffee hour on the
2nd Wednesday of every month
10-11AM



A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PRESIDENT



I have long admired the work of Faith in Action. Since I joined the Board of Directors, however, I am more impressed with how our volunteers and dedicated staff live out their faith by helping area residents with transportation needs. Recently the Friendly Visitor and Book House Calls programs have been reinvigorated. It's an exciting time to be connected with Faith in Action.

Thank you to our great volunteers!
~ Dave Larson, Board President

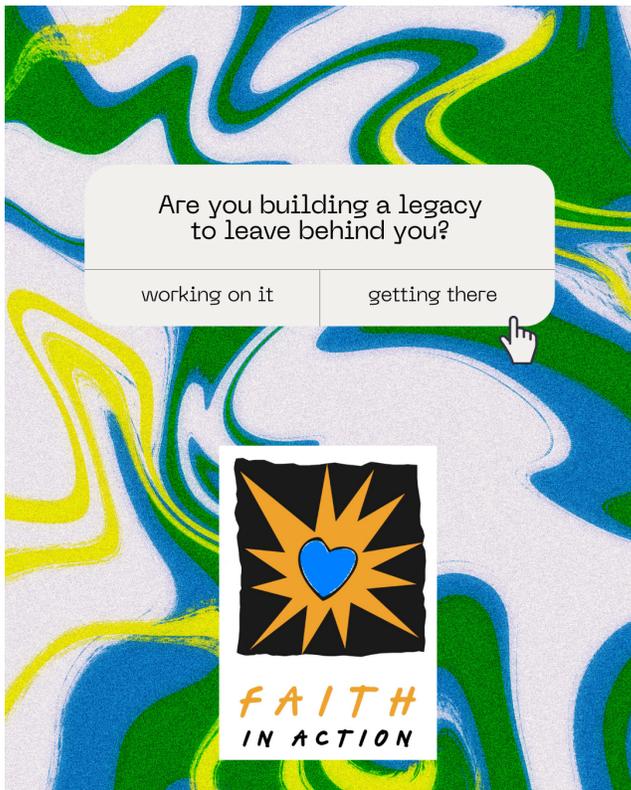
Thank you Anchor Promotions, Apparel, and Signage for our beautiful sign! Thank you Goodhue County Cooperative Electric Association for the funding and thank you St. Paul's Lutheran Church Red Wing for allowing us to put up signs! So many volunteers and other individuals have had such difficulty finding our offices! Hopefully this will solve that issue! Also shout out to the Red Wing Area Chamber of Commerce for being great to us and our community!

Legacy Giving

Friends of Faith in Action in Red Wing can make a lasting impact by leaving a charitable gift in their Last Will and Testament. Another possible means of giving is through a Charitable Remainder Trust. To consider such a donation, please consult with your attorney or estate planning professional.

Many retirees will direct a portion of their Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from their IRA, 401(k) or other retirement account to Faith in Action. Check with your tax preparer to understand the possible tax advantages of such giving.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.



We deeply appreciate the support of all who have gifted Faith In Action in memory of friends & loved ones.

2022 Memorials

- Larry & Sammy Bjornstad
- Mary E. Miller
- Patricea Campbell
- David Hallahan
- The Ukraine
- KimmyKo "Myko" Ly Pham
- Hanna Kuhl
- Parents of Andrija Vukmir
- Harriet Jackson
- Raymond Brodigan
- Donna Babar
- George Willis
- Jane Jorgenson
- Verneil Gale
- Clarence and Harriet Lally
- Romeo Cyr
- Eunice Lien
- Scott Rigg
- Great Grand Child of Lucinda Peterson
- Catherine Pedersen
- Mark Sprangers, MD
- Russ Otell
- Paul Drotos
- Diane Gustafson
- Rod Frantzen
- Mark Erickson
- Connie Boland
- Bob Sjoquist
- David Price
- Darrell Nelson
- Barry Nover
- Charlotte Wohler
- Edwin & Ruth Jakes
- Adair Dahman
- James Novek
- Charles Carlson
- Connie Rose Boland
- Brenda Alms
- Gary Christenson
- 50th Anniversary of Jon & Kris Ubbelodes
- June Levere
- Helen Sabeen
- Rose Gray
- Marilyn Conklin
- Vern Cordes
- Francis Boland
- Dave Holbert
- Diane Norgaard
- Lally and Kovacs Family
- Michael and Alyssa Johnson
- Mary Olson
- Joe Goggin
- Dave Bauer
- Richard Betsch
- Samantha Kriese
- Julia Anderson
- Loved ones of George VanNorman
- Philip McNairy
- Verneil Voth
- Shirley Swanson
- Marge Fagerlund
- Joan Butler
- Lois Hothckiss
- Betty Hanson
- Anne Frame
- John O. Hanson
- Marion Tesdall
- Barbara Polk