Season of Giving and Gratitude

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As autumn settles around us in Jackson County, we're reminded of the quiet beauty of this season—leaves turning, temperatures cooling, and a sense of reflection and gratitude filling the air. Fall has always been a time of gathering, of preparing for the months ahead, and of recognizing the many blessings that come from a community that cares deeply for one another.

At Jackson County Interfaith Volunteers (JCIV), this season mirrors the work we do each day. We walk alongside older adults, caregivers, and neighbors who depend on the warmth of human connection—rides to essential appointments, friendly visits, help with errands, and the reassurance that someone is looking out for them. Like the steady change of the seasons, these acts of kindness create stability, comfort, and hope.

Today, I'm reaching out to share an important milestone for our organization. We are launching our Capital Campaign, a project that will strengthen our foundation and expand our ability to serve. As our community grows and the needs of older adults increase, so must our capacity to support them. This campaign will allow us to enhance our programs, improve our operational space, and ensure that Jackson County Interfaith Volunteers remains a trusted resource for years to come.

Just as fall invites us to gather and give thanks, it also invites us to pay it forward.

Your support—whether through a financial gift, volunteering time, or spreading the word—helps us continue offering the compassionate, neighbor to neighbor care our community depends on.

Every contribution, no matter the size, becomes part of the generosity that sustains Jackson County.

Together, we can make sure that no one in our community navigates aging or caregiving alone. Together, we can build a future rooted in dignity, connection, and kindness.

Thank you for your continued support and for embodying the spirit of giving that makes this season, and our mission, so meaningful.

With gratitude,

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