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Dear Neighbor:

We hope this letter finds you and yours safe and well. Please take a few moments to learn how Wellesley Friendly Aid has helped our Wellesley neighbors.

We provide direct support to Wellesley residents through our various programs and services, as we have done continuously for over 100 years. A few of the examples of how we were there for your neighbors in the past year:

- Loaned medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers and shower chairs to 109
 Wellesley residents.
- Provided emergency financial aid of over \$8,000 to those in need, including covering the short-term cost of after school care so a parent could work; purchasing a new mattress for a seriously ill senior; buying a laptop for a mother so she could monitor her daughter's diabetes results; and paying for dental services not covered by insurance.
- Distributed \$50 gift cards to 264 Wellesley families and individuals to purchase groceries for holiday meals in 2022.
- Gave gift bags to 110 seniors and disabled residents living in public housing as well as sponsoring Sunday afternoon social events for them.

Your gift this year will be used to support WFA programs, all of which are described in the enclosed brochure. For example:

- \$250-\$2000 will provide funds for an emergency or unexpected hardship.
- \$125 will cover a social program for 20-25 senior women in Friendship Circle.
- \$50 will provide a holiday meal for a family.

Wellesley Friendly Aid is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization that depends exclusively on donations from individuals, local businesses, and other local organizations.

Help us continue helping your neighbors by donating today. Please complete the enclosed reply card and send it to us with your check or donate online at www.wellesleyfriendlyaid.org.

You can also support WFA by becoming a volunteer or by referring Wellesley residents who might benefit from any of our services to Karen Mondell, our Program Administrator.

We thank you for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Deborah M. Cogill

President

Enclosures