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Friends Foundation for the Aging P.O. Box 1081 Langhorne, PA 19047

Dear Members of the FFA Board of Trustees:

Interfaith Caregivers of Greater Mercer County (ICGMC) is seeking \$10,000 of funding from Friends Foundation for the Aging to support our work serving the needs of the homebound elderly and adult disabled in the community.

We believe our work will successfully fulfill FFA's commitment to addressing the many complex needs of the underserved and vulnerable. ICGMC's mission is to promote the independence, dignity, and wellness of homebound elderly and people with disabilities. Our free services are designed to reduce loneliness and isolation as we increase access to healthcare, wellness services, and community resources, ultimately supporting a better quality of life. While we collaborate with many different religious institutions, all services are provided compassionately without proselytization or regard for race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, income, or national origin.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN) is the central program for ICGMC. Through NHN, trained volunteers provide non-medical assistance such as transportation to doctor appointments, grocery shopping services, companionship, and meal preparation in an effort to support those who wish to "age in place" in the security and comfort of their homes.

For nearly 30 years, ICGMC has been serving the elderly and adult disabled members of the community. Through NHN, they do not have to forgo basic needs to pay for the assistance we provide.

The residents who call ICGMC often have no other option. Faced with financial limitations, ambulatory challenges, and transportation issues, the isolation experienced during the past two years has presented overwhelming needs which we are challenged to meet.

We look forward to continuing to care for our homebound neighbors and invite you to consider lending your support to this most rewarding work.

With deepest appreciation,

Linda Gyimoty, MA

Executive Director