

Friends All Around

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Celebrating Friendship & INclusion in Our Community



Tribute Book & Friends All Around Program

5.21.2023



Sharing highlights from the 2022-2023 year and recognizing our supportive community in celebration of another year of friendship!





2022-2023

Tribute Book & Friends All Around Program

Friends All Around Presentation:

The program begins at 6:45

- MC Opening Remarks and Live Auction
- Friends All Around Co-Chair Welcome
- Executive Report
- Parent Remarks
- Member Remarks
- Video Presentation
- Raffle Drawing





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A message from Rivkee & Rabbi Mordy

**Executive Director, Rabbi Mordy Rudolph, and Director,
Rivkee Rudolph, reflect on a year of friendship & growth**

Dear Friends,

Never a dull moment! Living in these ever changing times, it is so rewarding to see the continued growth at The Friendship Circle. We have completed construction at The Beacon (our new teen space, dedicated to teens and their mental health needs upstairs at 1926 Murray Ave) and have begun to welcome teens into this new community asset that we are certain will be a "Beacon" to our community overall.

And we cannot wait to get "Bunny Bakes" off the ground on the first floor of the new building. This inclusive business is named in memory of a dear friend and disability advocate Bernita "Bunny" Buncher. It will provide fresh, quality baked goods while also serving coffee in what we anticipate to be a warm, inviting, community space. Please stay tuned as this business takes off!

And, of course, our overall programming continues to develop and evolve to meet the needs of our community in this day and age. We are honored to play such an important role in our community - ensuring that it is and always will be an inclusive and welcoming one - and to all the excitement that the coming year will bring.

We are grateful to our friends, our families, our community and our staff who make our programs what they are and, of course, to our sponsors and supporters who allow us to do what we do without any cost to participants. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Rivkee *Mordy*

Rabbi Mordy and Rivkee





*Mae, UPMC Children's
Hospital of Pittsburgh
patient*

CONGRATULATIONS

to the graduating class of 2023!

UPMC Children's Hospital Foundation is a proud partner of
The Friendship Circle of Pittsburgh, and we are honored to share the mission
of making a difference in the lives of children and their families in our community.

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2022-2023

Tribute Book & Friends All Around Program

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A message from Geri Recht

**Friendship Circle Board President
Geri Recht, reflects on being ALL IN**



Dear Friends,

"We all have a bit of everything," says a famous quote by Dr. Sacks. And what could be a more suitable description of how Friendship Circle has the power to bring positive change into the world as we thrive to create a more ALL INclusive community — we are ALL IN, ALL INcluded, ALL INspired because we are uniquely made up of a bit of everything.

I want to share how proud I am of the Friendship Circle programs this past year. Our programs offer to a bit of everything for everyone! From community events like the Walk4Friendship to hosting our very own Friends on Air Podcast led by our Teen Wellness Committee, from personal 1-on-1 meet-ups with Friends at Home to taking almost 300 members to Kennywood, from virtual options where members can participate in the comfort of their own homes to Pop Up Baking where we get our hands messy in the kitchen, from gymnastic flips with our youngest Junior Friends to Friends on the Town Happy Hours with our adults, from hitting a ball at Sports League to just chilling together in the FC Lounge, I could go on about the wonderful programming that our members kvell about — but instead, I encourage you all to come and see for yourselves!

In addition to these wonderful ALL IN programs, I am personally excited to have the sweet smell of baked goods oozing out of "Bunny Bakes" doors, flowing down Murray Ave to draw in neighbors from around the community to both enjoy our baked goods and get exposed to our ALL INclusive community! And, because "we all have a bit of everything," we are thrilled to launch "The Beacon," a vibrant space with a focus on uplifting and supporting the well-being and mental health of ALL teens. We are ALL IN!

With my ALL IN love,

Geri Recht, Board Chair





Mission Highlights





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The Lifelong Journey of Friendship

The Friendship Circle is All IN when it comes to a lifelong lifeline for friends of all abilities! We lead with inclusion, starting with the youngest of members, our Junior Friends ages 10 and under, and through to young adults, our Friends on the Town and FC Alumni. This means that a member can join as young as 5, or while in grade school, middle school, or high school, and find opportunities for friendship and support tailored to that age group. Once an FC member is a part of our circle, their journey continues through to adulthood, when they can experience inclusive job training, internship, and employment opportunities through Friendship Fellows or our FC Bakery. ALL are INcluded for a lifetime of friendship, belonging, and opportunity. It's that simple.



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Friendship Circle Classics

ExperiencINg Fun!

From Friends at Home to Sunday Circle to Winter Camp, our classic, well-loved Friendship Circle programs never miss a beat. These opportunities invite friends to hang out and enjoy fan-favorites like crafts, music circle, games, and trips - bringing friends together in simple yet impactful ways.



Winter Camp made possible by the generous support of the Robert and Mary Weisbrod Foundation.

Friends at Home made possible by the generous support of Sylvia and Martin Snow Family Fund.



Unique INTERESTS

Friendship Circle clubs are where members' interests thrive! Opportunities such as Dance Club, Art Club, and Rock Climbing Club invite friends who love to express themselves or try something new. Our clubs offer unique activities centered on specific hobbies or adventures, always prioritizing the connections that shared interests cultivate.



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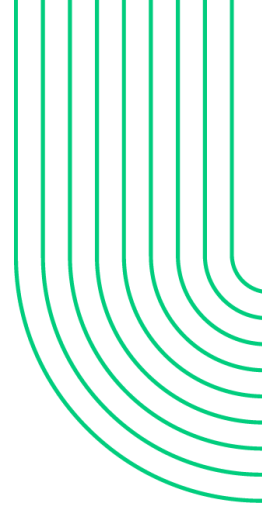
Friends on the Town Dinners & Trips

With the busy schedule that adulthood can bring, young adults often connect through shared experiences. Friends on the Town offers our adult members a wide variety of such shared experiences. Friends on the Town welcomed 22 new members this year, bringing us to 102 members, not to mention our new friends in the Young Adult Network. This year our friends have been "on the town" to places including ASCEND Rock Climbing, Sky Zone, Mix Candle Co., Dave and Busters, Cool Springs, Carnegie Natural History Museum, Trace Brewing, Zone 28, and so many more!

From chill dinners at FC where friends gather and catch up to trips to places like the history museum and the movie theater, Friends on the Town are out and about, but always ALL IN with friends!



Friends On The Town made possible by the generous support of The Edith L. Trees Charitable Trust.



Clark Hill is Honored to Support The Friendship Circle of Pittsburgh's Friends All Around 2023: ALL IN!

We commend Mordy, Rivkee, the
Friendship Circle's staff, David Goldberg,
and the Board for their good work.

Making a positive impact in our
community is one of Clark Hill's
core values.

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This material may be deemed "Attorney Advertising."

All INcluded in the Workforce

The **FC Pop Up Bakery** and the **Friendship Fellows Program** work to provide opportunities for young adults with disabilities to work in the FC office or in paid positions in a bakery setting. Our 14 Fellows and 10 Bakers receive job training, as well as the opportunity to earn income and contribute in their own ways to the greater Pittsburgh community.

"When I see people at the bakery, I love talking to them and helping them out whenever needed."

-Menachem T, FC Baker



"Thank you for working with me this year at Friendship Circle. You are the best people in my life!"

-Michael L, FC Fellow



All INvested: Advocacy, Outreach & Community Service

While we facilitate friendship and connection, we also INvest together in the community we share. The Friendship Circle provides a variety of opportunities for members, families, and community participants to get INVolved in community service, outreach, and advocacy for inclusion.

Our Kids Who Care middle schoolers gather for workshops to learn about the ways they can make a difference and plan volunteer days where they craft kits for shelter animals and people experiencing homelessness, clean sidewalks and plant flowers, and thank our local first responders, to name a few examples.

Kids Who Care made possible by the generous support of Ladies Hospital Aid Society

Developing Leaders!

Teen leaders share the importance of disability INclusion at their local high schools through our FC Clubs in Schools program. FC Clubs in Schools is active in these school districts! (And counting!)

- Allderdice High School
- The Ellis School
- Hillel Academy of Pittsburgh
- Pittsburgh CAPA
- Shady Side Academy
- Winchester Thurston School
- Yeshiva Girls' School of Pittsburgh
- Community Day School
- Baldwin Area High School



FC Clubs in School made possible by the generous support of The Pittsburgh Foundation

All INformed - FC Talks & Training Tracks

In addition to our core social inclusion and equity mission, The Friendship Circle works hard to prioritize education, advocacy, and outreach through Training Tracks and FC Talks. These programs encourage Friendship Circle teens and adults to make their voices heard, to advocate for what's right, and to take action by sharing our mission and core values with the greater community.

Through roundtable discussions led by experts in our community, participants develop leadership skills that better the Pittsburgh community and beyond.

Heard at Training Tracks:

"Demonstrate your strengths but be comfortable with your weaknesses."

~Chaz Kellem, on 'Intersectionality and Disability'

"Employment is vital to the human experience, everyone deserves a chance to have a job."

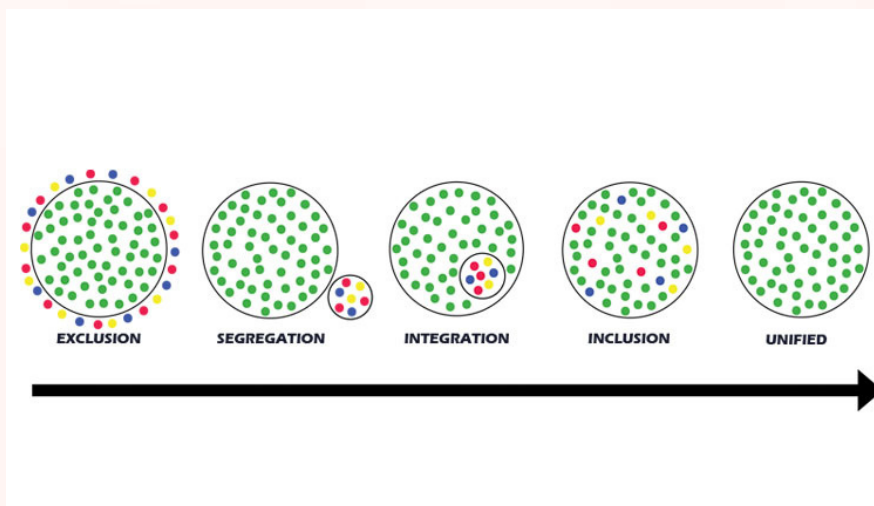
~Employment Rights Panel with Brian Kluchorosky, Mary Hartley, and Colton Vazquez

"Look critically at inaccessibility and ask – why does it have to be this way?"

~Disability Experience Panel with Liza Gerber, Libby Powers, Paul O' Hanlon, and Heather Tomko

"Intersectionality matters. Diversity matters. We have to take responsibility for **LEARNING ABOUT OURSELVES."**

~Chaz Kellem, on 'Intersectionality and Disability'



Segregation to Inclusion Graphic



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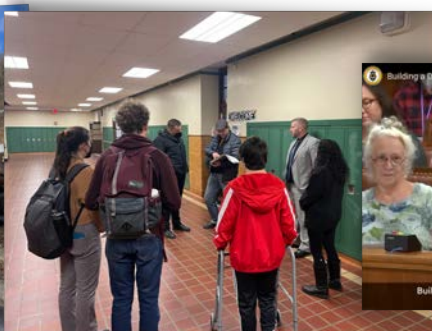


All INspiring: Celebrating Friendship and Each Other

Our Circle is defined by friendship and the ways that diverse individuals can come together to break social barriers and build connections that sustain and empower all of us. But our Circle wouldn't exist without the unique individuals who are All In for inclusion and show up for themselves and their friends in countless ways every day. **Our members excel as leaders, advocates, helpers, speakers, artists, athletes, community members, and so much more** – and all are encouraged and strengthened by the power of friendship.



Amanda at Special Olympics



Jacob and Abby walk through with Allderdice leadership



Colton speaking at City Hall



Ross's Purim Play

All IN for our Friends

Friendship goes beyond the four walls or timeline of an FC program. Here's how some of our friends show up for each other.



Reid and Jacob

"Jacob and I are ALL IN because we are friends at FC, school, CREW and we hang out and text too. I went to his orchestra concert and we went to the AJR concert together and had milkshakes. We are good friends for each other." - Reid



Shay and Lexi

"My friendship with Shay is the best gift I could ever have in my life. When I am with her I feel loved, safe, and we always have fun. I am All IN with my friendship with Shay. Love you, Shay!" - Lexi



Colton and Clayton

"Colton and I clicked from the start. We both love to goof around and have a good time. When you enjoy someone's company, keeping up with the friendship is a no brainer" - Clayton



Chaya, Baila, Naomi and Isabel

"We are ALL IN because we get to see each other at FC lounge and spend time together, be silly together, laugh together, and play together. We love Friendship Circle."

ALL IN for BuildINg More!

With the launch of The Beacon and the further development of our FC Bakery, 1926 Murray Avenue is our hub for innovation in 2023! By INViting local teens to experience mental health and wellness programs and resources, and young adults with disabilities to work in a community bakery, **we are working to set a replicable standard for inclusion and demonstrate the many ways innovative solutions can support strong communities, businesses, and the people who contribute to them.**

Bunny Bakes

With around 40 customers and 100+ orders each month, we are happy to report valuable lessons learned that continue to inform the building of the long-term Bakery business plan. Stay tuned for the opening date!



The Beacon

The Beacon is a vibrant, inclusive community space dedicated to uplifting and supporting the well-being and mental health of Pittsburgh teens.

The 1926 Murray Avenue Project Supported By:

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THE BEACON

What We Do

The Beacon rests on the foundation of Friendship Circle of Pittsburgh's mission to create a more inclusive community that supports people with diverse abilities and needs. It is a space designed by teens, for teens. The Beacon will offer open hours, in addition to specific programming. The programming will introduce mindfulness and self-awareness to help teens improve their emotional resilience and strengthen their coping capacity. Facilitated by trained staff, we will empower teens to advocate for themselves and one another as they learn to care for their mental health.

In addition to an informal environment and safe space that provides peer and staff support, there will be activities that help members in the following areas:

- Self-advocacy
- Self-care
- Emotional expression
- Connecting with others
- Handling social media
- Setting boundaries
- Mindfulness
- Recognizing the need for help
- Finding purpose
- Handling anxiety and depression

Activities will be engaging and fun while leaving room for the expression of more difficult emotions. All activities will be adapted for a range of abilities and learning styles. Critical to the success of our mission is the participation of our Teen Wellness Committee. They continue to provide input and make decisions on every facet of the work and space.





**THANKS TO MY FC
FRIENDS!
Love, Chet**

**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE
FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE CHAIRS**

Get to Know FC Staff

& what being **All IN** means to them...



JULIA AVERBACH
MANAGER OF MEMBER
ENGAGEMENT

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Year joined: 2016

"The Friendship Circle has been a part of my life for as long as I can remember. It is such a privilege to not only work here but also extend the mission of FC beyond these four walls and into my everyday life. I am **ALL IN** because of all of you!"



PAIGE EDDY
ADULT & PARTNERSHIPS
COORDINATOR

Hometown: Mount Laurel, NJ
Year joined: 2018

"I am **ALL IN** at The Friendship Circle because I understand the value of inclusion. It is a privilege to work at a place like FC that encourages people to be their true selves. Everyone deserves to have a place like FC that they can go to feel a sense of belonging and community."



ALYSSA FIFE
PROGRAM MANAGER

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Year joined: 2019

"I am **ALL IN** for the friendships and connections that I have been able to make over the years working at The Friendship Circle!"



ANN GRANDINETTI
DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY
OUTREACH COORDINATOR

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Year joined: 2017

"The Friendship Circle is a place that every time you walk through the front door, you realize how much it means to yourself and the community. I am **ALL IN** for the people I meet every day I come to work."



BECCA GREENHOUSE
TEEN ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Year joined: 2022

"I am **ALL IN** at The Friendship Circle because first off I absolutely LOVE working here and being part of this awesome community! Inclusivity is not only important to me on a professional level but personal as well as I strive to create a more inclusive environment in my day-to-day life."



KAITLIN HENS-GRECO
CLINICAL DIRECTOR OF THE
BEACON

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Year joined: 2010-2013 & 2022

"The Friendship Circle celebrates, encourages, and supports the community in showing up as they are - that decision to see each other's strengths is why I am **ALL IN** with The Friendship Circle."



MEGAN MARKOVITZ
FRIENDS ON THE TOWN PROGRAM
COORDINATOR

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Year joined: 2023

"This year, I hope to grow by creating more partnerships with local organizations and further fostering our inclusive mindset in the greater Pittsburgh communities. I am **ALL IN**."



SAM NEEMAN
ADMIN SPECIALIST

Hometown: Brookville, PA
Year joined: 2022

I am **ALL IN** working at The Friendship Circle because it's a wonderful community that is so accepting of all abilities and backgrounds."

Get to Know FC Staff

& what being **ALL IN** means to them...



CARA PAOLICELLI
FRIENDSHIP BAKERY
DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Hometown: Chapel Hill, NC
Year joined: 2018

"Most people who know my story know that I moved from North Carolina to Pittsburgh to work at The Friendship Circle. I have been **ALL IN** at FC since I got the call that I was hired. Working at Friendship Circle is such a privilege, because you are actively a part of making people feel like they belong every day. There is no better feeling!"



RICHARD POWER
PROGRAM ASSOCIATE, PULSE
FELLOW

Hometown: Wexford, PA
Year joined: 2022

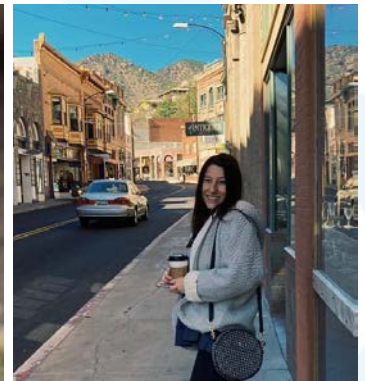
"I am **ALL IN** at working at the Friendship Circle because of its commitment to inclusion within the Pittsburgh community, especially because I have a physical disability. As such, I am always looking for ways to make sure everyone is included in everything."



AYALA ROSENTHAL
TEEN MEMBER ENGAGEMENT AND
PARTNERSHIPS COORDINATOR

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Year joined: 2021

"Having been a part of the Friendship Circle community as a teen, and now as a staff member, FC's mission has always resonated with me. I am **ALL IN** because I have been impacted by the friendships and connections that the organization builds, and feel lucky to be able to facilitate those relationships amongst our teen members!"



LUCY SOMMER
HOST COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Year joined: 2023

"What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make. I am **ALL IN**."



EMILY VOGT
ADULT ENGAGEMENT
COORDINATOR

Hometown: Akron, PA
Year joined: 2017

"I am **ALL IN** because I want everyone to feel included, known, and valued here at FC!"



MARIEL WARD
PROGRAM AND ENGAGEMENT
COORDINATOR

Hometown: Ann Arbor, MI
Year joined: 2022

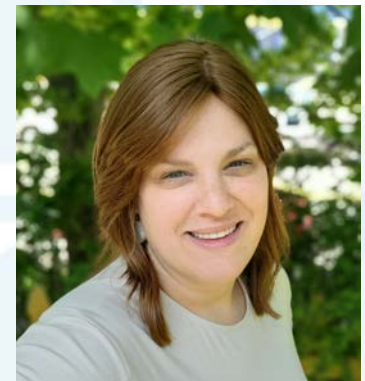
"I am **ALL IN** for spaces that you can feel comfortable enough to be vulnerable in. Friendship Circle encourages people to be fully present and allows us to express ourselves freely in a way that's not oppressive or minimizing to ourselves."



ALLY WEEKLY
WELLNESS COORDINATOR

Hometown: Fort Myers, FL
Year joined: 2021

"During hard times or good, being **ALL IN** means protecting your core characteristics and continuing to develop."



HALLIE WEINSTEIN
OFFICE AND FACILITIES MANAGER

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Year joined: 2023

"I'm **ALL IN** because I believe deeply in building an inclusive community where everyone has opportunities for friendship! I've been involved with Friendship Circle for many years both here and in Richmond, Virginia, and I have seen just how important this work is!"

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GRACE WHITED
PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Hometown: South Portland, ME
Year joined: 2021

"I'm **ALL IN** at the Friendship Circle because of our amazing FC community! I love seeing everyone involved and engaged in our programs-from planning to putting on the event!"



GILA ZIMBOVSKY
OFFICE MANAGER

Hometown: West Palm Beach, FL
Year joined: 2016

"Being **ALL IN** means reflecting on my own understanding and conceptions of the spaces I occupy and the community I am in."



Many thanks to the amazing FC Staff for all of their
hard work!

From the Friendship Circle Community

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Thank you for such a successful year, and
really fun event! 😊

Amazing Friendship Circle Staff
Lively leaders, Rabbi Mordy & Rivkee
Luminary FAA Chairs, Karen, Rachel
Stacey, & their committees

Incredibly generous Donors
Not to minimize the best of all:
our wonderful members !!

With Love,

Geri, Steve, Jacob, Sydney & Rayna



Celebrating our 2023 Graduates



Lilly Adamo

High School: Fox Chapel Area High School

"Being a part of FC is one of the things I am most happy about. The mission is something I believe in."



Ursula Brown

High School: Allderdice High School

"I've gained an appreciation for community and experienced what it means to belong with strings at FC."



Abby Ben-Lapid

High School: Yeshiva Girls School of Pittsburgh

"FC was a really good experience and I'm glad I was able to join!"



Katriel Camp

High School: The Ellis School

"Being at Friendship Circle has opened my eyes and given me the opportunity to meet lots of different people and make new friends; it's been an experience I am really grateful for."



Abby Blank

High School: Allderdice High School

"FC has quite literally shaped my entire life. I have become kinder, more understanding, and overall a better person and friend. I have learned the true importance of inclusion, unequivocal friendship, and advocacy."



Antonio Cerri

High School: The University School

"My time at The Friendship Circle has been so meaningful and I will always cherish it."



Grace Boyer

High School: The Ellis School

"I am glad that Friendship Circle has challenged me to step out of my comfort zone and learn the stories of people with varying abilities."



Ava Figlar

High School: Franklin Regional Senior High School

"I really enjoyed meeting a variety of different people at The Friendship Circle who all make me feel the same amount of love. I no longer feel alone, or even afraid to be alone, now that I've spent time at FC."

Celebrating our 2023 Graduates



Liam Friedlander

High School: Allderdice High School

"Throughout these 6 years, I have seen how Friendship Circle is a place where everyone can thrive and grow while connecting with one another."



Aaron Grant

High School: Central Catholic High School

"Friendship Circle reinforced the rules of community, kindness, love, and friendship. Seeing what friendship stands for, I knew I had to join."



Leora Goldberg

High School: Hillel Academy of Pittsburgh

"Friendship Circle has changed the way I view the world."



Emily Gutstein

High School: Shady Side Academy

"Being a part of Friendship Circle has made me a more compassionate person. I'm more aware of the people around me and am able to find ways to connect with everyone."



Dora Gordon

High School: Allderdice High School

"With Friendship Circle, I have become more confident in who I am, both as a person and as a friend."



Noah Indianer

High School: Fox Chapel High School

"I have grown as a person and a friend through building connections with everyone at FC over the years."



Adrianna Grande

High School: Baldwin High School

"My involvement in The Friendship Circle helped me to figure out what I stand for as a person and what I want to strive for in my future."



Dalia Kolko

High School: Allderdice High School

"Being at Friendship Circle all these years has made me a more kind and caring person."



Celebrating our 2023 Graduates



Jenna Lazar

High School: Upper St. Clair High School

"Friendship Circle as meant a lot to me. It made me comfortable. It gave me a place where I can be me and I can be with friends."



Georgie Rabner

High School: Winchester Thurston

"I feel that during my time at Friendship Circle, I have learned patience and how to speak up for myself and others."



Marley McFarland

High School: Oakland Catholic High School

"When I first walked into Friendship Circle in the fall, I never knew I could become so connected to a community of people in such a short amount of time."



Aviva Rafkin

High School: Yeshiva Schools

"I am going to miss Friendship Circle and all my FC friends so much, but I will keep my wonderful memories with me forever."



Chloe Pressman

High School: Winchester Thurston

"Because of Friendship Circle, I find myself noticing when things aren't fair or accessible."



Melanie Rock

High School: Mt. Lebanon High School

"Through Friendship Circle, I have learned the true values of being a friend, but also the true impact of building these relationships."



Hannah Pretter

High School: The Ellis School

"I'm so glad that I had the opportunity to be a part of this amazing community, and I'm excited to come back to visit in college and see everyone again!"



Elle Ruttenberg

High School: Shady Side Academy

"My time at The Friendship Circle has shown me how important it is to show true kindness to others, as well as the importance of inclusion."

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Sara Scheeser

High School: Baldwin High School

"FC has given me a new perspective on how to help others."



Kieran Taylor

High School: Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf

"Even if we only see many of these wonderful people at Friendship Circle events, the family atmosphere is not lost on us, always so many open arms and open hearts."



Sophia Strafford

High School: Shady Side Academy

"Friendship Circle is unlike any other organization, group, or club that I had ever been a part of before."



Amanda Yu

High School: Allderdice High School

"I have learned to be more actively inclusive, especially in leadership roles that FC helped me come into, and become more aware of how I can help bring positive change to our community."



Dani Strauss

High School: Shady Side Academy

The relationships I made at FC have had a big impact on me and I am so glad I had the chance to meet and spend time with so many amazing people."



Danny Ziegler

High School: Mt. Lebanon High School

"I love that you have the opportunity to try so many new things while developing connections with other people. I would like to always keep the spirit of Friendship Circle with me."



AJ Tannenbaum

High School: Allderdice High School

"I have learned so much about people and how to approach all sorts of situations because of The Friendship Circle."



Maya Zimmerman

High School: Allderdice High School

"I cannot express enough gratitude for the Friendship Circle. I have learned that no matter the circumstance, every individual is worthy of a place where they belong."



**In honor of our sister Sheryl Milch
for all she does for Friendship
Circle and beyond. We love you so
much! –Michael and Tova Milch
and the Aliya Health Group Team**

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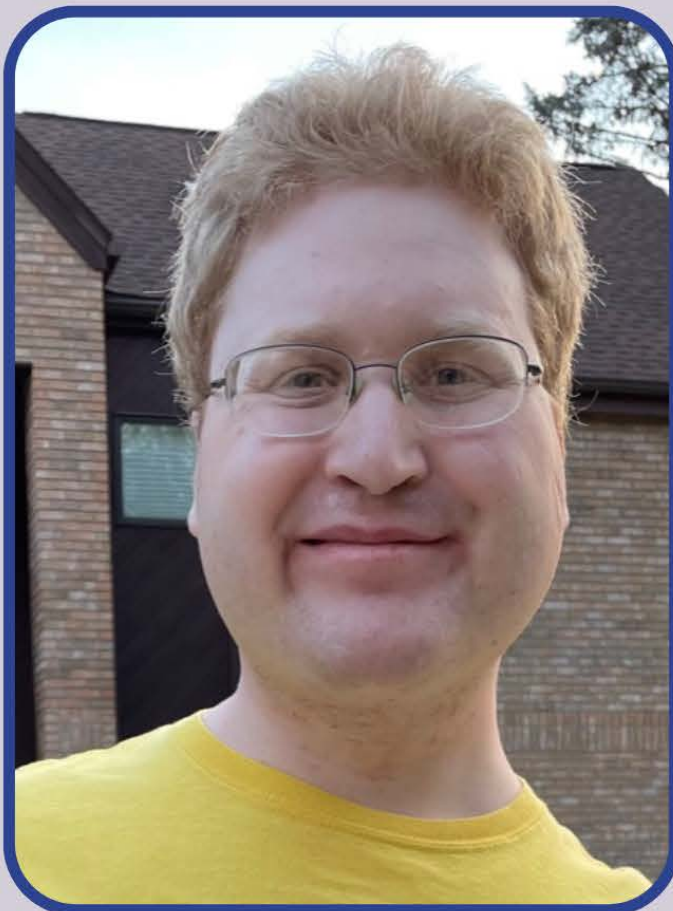
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