



### **CBI's Caring Community**

We are starting a new initiative at CBI called "CBI's Caring Community" to help CBI reach out when a member(s) of our community needs some additional support. Whether due to health issues, job loss, or just being new to the area, CBI wants to be a resource for our congregants when they need us most.

**What we are:** a caring group of resourceful volunteers (many of who work full time in other capacities) representing CBI with big hearts and a "can do" attitude.

**What we are not:** a large, formal social services agency or an organization with deep financial coffers to help subsidize congregants' large financial setbacks (regardless of the reason).

#### **Examples of things we can help with:**

- Arranging meal deliveries for a congregant that has taken ill and/or for their family
- Arranging help with errands for those that cannot get to the grocery or drug store on a short-term basis
- Help arranging short-term transportation/carpools for those in need and their children due to a temporary family or health situation
- Making the Rabbi, Cantor and/or other key CBI leadership aware of a given family or health situation (or not - as preferred by the congregant)
- Guiding families in need to community resources available in Scotch Plains, Fanwood, Westfield, Edison and other surrounding communities
- Helping congregants get to services and/or other CBI events
- Sharing simchas and family milestones

As they say, ***it takes a village***, or more correctly, a ***Caring Community*** to make this happen. We are **NOT** asking for anyone to become a part time chauffeur or full-time cook. However, if you are willing to be on a "who can help with this particular task this week" email distribution list - this is how it becomes a community-wide support initiative and not a short-lived program resting on the shoulders of a few key volunteers who simply cannot do it alone.

If you are willing to be part of our Caring Community support system to run an occasional errand, or deliver an occasional meal to help someone from CBI in need, please sign up on the next page. You are not obligated to do anything more than you feel you can at the particular time help is requested, but if you or one of your family members needed support, wouldn't you be glad if there were someone looking out for them?!... For more information call the office @ 908-889-1830 or email us at **[CaringCommunity@cbsp.org](mailto:CaringCommunity@cbsp.org)**

**CBI's Caring Community  
Response form**

*Please leave this form off at the CBI office, or email this info to [CaringCommunity@CBISP.org](mailto:CaringCommunity@CBISP.org)*

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred Method(s) of contact (please circle):**   Email \* Home Phone \* Cell Phone \* Text Message

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**PARTICIPATION**

\_\_\_ **Yes.** *Please add me to the Caring Community Email or Text Distribution list. I realize I will not be able to help with every request but I will respond to those requests where I am able to help.*

\_\_\_ **No.** *Unfortunately I am not able to help at this time but I would like to support this initiative with a donation to be used towards food or transportation for those in need. Donation Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_.*

\_\_\_ **No.** *I am not able to help but I am glad to be part of a congregation that offers these types of services.*

\_\_\_ **I am need of support services or know another member that is.** *Please reach out to me directly.*

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Caring Community Chairperson: Lisa Weisser

Committee Members: Margie Feinman, Caryn Fox, Debbie Goldsmith, Gaby Hecht, Carol Koransky, Ruth Margolin, Joanne Schwartz, Carol Shichman, Lauren Siegel, Marcia Wiener with Sisterhood and Men's Club volunteers and the leadership of Rabbi Nudell

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