

### WHO WE ARE

Every individual is created in the image of G-d. No matter your outward abilities, or perceived differences, you deserve to be an included member of society. Friendship Circle is bridging that gap and helping our community by providing and enabling pure Friendship.

Since its founding in 2010, Friendship Circle has proudly served hundreds of individuals with special needs. We aren't stopping there. Every year we aim to add to our roster of programs, with the ultimate goal of creating a permanent home for our community.

Now celebrating our 9th year running the Miami Marathon, 8th year of our annual bike ride, and 3rd year with our own Run 4 Friendship, all these events have the power to raise a considerable portion of our overall operating budget for one year. In the Miami winter, we aim to include as many supporters from the community from various backgrounds coming together and going the distance as one.

This year our goal is to raise over \$1,000,000 collectively from both events, much of which can be achieved through corporate sponsorships and individual peer-to-peer fundraising. We are asking companies to step up and play a vital role in the success of these events. As a Friendship Circle sponsor, not only will your company stand for an invaluable cause, but also gain from relevant brand exposure across Miami Dade county. I invite you to review this year's package and levels, as well as the incentives that come along with it. Thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration and for reinforcing our place within the community we serve.

In Friendship,
Rabbi Mendy Dechter
Executive Director



### WHY PARTNER WITH US?



# Be a Community Champion

By showing that you are a champion in your community, you present yourself as an upright company that is active and supportive of local organizations. Consumers and business owners love to shop or work with companies who care.





Having a presence as a Friendship Circle corporate sponsor positions you and your business as a friend and supporter of individuals with special needs. You gain respect and credibility in Miami Beach by standing out and prominently displaying your brand.



## Lead Generation & New Contacts

Through a number of sponsorship opportunities that Friendship Circle provides, you will have several opportunities to network with potential clients or customers and develop potential leads for your company.

#### Get Your Brand Noticed



By being featured in online and offline promotions, your brand and company will receive increased awareness and recognition.



# Leadership Will Grow Your Business

By showing that you champion causes in your community, you present yourself as an upright company who is active and supportive of local organizations. Consumers and business owners love to shop or work with companies who care.

#### Market Your Business Inexpensively



We all know how much advertising your business can cost. It can cost thousands of dollars or more to place ads in well-known newspapers! Spending that same amount as a sponsor is much wiser.



### EXECUTIVE PLATINUM SPONSORSHIP

### \$18,000

- Prominent logo placement on jersey
- 3 Family Registrations
- Naming rights for After Party Event
- Logo displayed on event website
- Logo displayed on event marketing materials
- Logo displayed on event handbooks
- A framed Run 4 Friendship jersey thanking you for your patronage
- Cut Ribbon at Start Line

### PLATINUM LEVEL SPONSORSHIP

### \$10,000

- Logo placement on jersey
- 2 Family Registrations
- O Logo displayed on event website
- Logo displayed on event marketing materials
- O Logo displayed on event handbooks
- A framed Run 4 Friendship jersey thanking you for your patronage
- Cut Ribbon at Start Line

## GOLD LEVEL SPONSORSHIP

### \$5,000

- 2 Family Registrations
- Logo displayed on event website
- Logo displayed on event marketing materials
- Logo displayed on event handbooks
- Run 4 Friendship plaque thanking you for your patronage
- Cut Ribbon at Start Line

### **ABOUT FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE**

## FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE OF MIAMI BEACH AND NORTH DADE IS A HOME AWAY FROM HOME FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS THAT RESIDE IN MIAMI.

Friendship Circle provides assistance and support to 3,500 individuals with special needs and their families by providing recreational, social, educational and vocational programming. In addition to helping those in need, the Friendship Circle enriches its vast network of volunteers by enabling them to reap the rewards of selfless giving.

#### **OUR MISSION**

Friendship Circle creates friendship in the lives of individuals with special needs and those facing isolation while providing an opportunity to become a contributing member of the community. Through our programming, Friendship Circle aims to promote an inclusive community that values all individuals regardless of the challenges they face.

#### **OUR VALUES**

Friendship Circle is founded upon the idea that within each person is a soul, and that soul is equal and worthy of boundless love. With this inspiration, the lives of the families we serve are enhanced while the volunteers reap the rewards of selfless giving.





### **OUR PROGRAMS**

#### **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

The Friendship Circle after school programs allows children with special needs the opportunity to fully express and build their talents and abilities. With constant one-on-one attention from teen volunteers, children enjoy Soccer, Swim, Baking, fitness, Clay World and more, all in a safe and nurturing environment. These programs build strong relationships between the teen volunteers and their special friends as well as teach skills in an engaging, nurturing, non-competitive environment. Building self confidence, friendships, and encouraging teamwork is what it's all about.

#### **HOME VISITS**

The heart of The Friendship Circle is our Friends at Home program. Each week, pairs of teenage buddles visit children with special needs at home. These one to two hour weekly visits offer respite to families while a bond is established between the buddy and their special friends. Meaningful friendships are created through board games, stories, music, crafts, and child appropriate play.

#### **SUNDAY CIRCLE**

Our flagship, highly sought after, weekly drop off program. Sunday Circle offers families a morning of respite while children and teens with special needs and their committed teenage volunteers unite to partake in a variety of interactive activities. This program aims to teach children a wide range of skills from music and movement to tennis and Krav Maga. There is no better way to start your Sunday morning and inspire a beautiful week ahead.

#### **CAMP**

There is no Friendship Circle initiative quite like camp. When schools are closed and families are in need of safe and engaging opportunities for their children, we step in to provide a daily and robust schedule. Three times a year, we step on the school bus in full Friendship Circle spirit, and take on all that Miami has to offer. It is a time of full immersion into the Friendship Circle experience, as we eat, play, explore, and bond together.

#### **TEEN PROGRAMS**

Catered uniquely for our 13+ participants, programs such as "Teen Scene" & "Life Skills" give our older crew a chance to gather and grow in a more mature and conducive environment. Teen Scene is a monthly program where we spend a night out on the town, whether at golf or a local pizza store, to socialize and engage in positive and fun experiences. Life Skills is a skill based initiative, where we meet weekly to hone and develop our vocational and social skills, setting for the foundation for future independent and professional success.

#### **FAMILY SUPPORT**

F.C. Mother's connect and Father's connect are great platforms created to meet, exchange resources, and learn from seasoned professionals. These intimate, social gatherings allow this extraordinary group of women and men to enjoy a night out while sharing experiences, gaining insight, or just having a good laugh! The benefits of such interaction, support and mutual understanding have proven immeasurable.





Friendship Circle CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP