

Dear Friend,

It is with great joy that I write to you, the loyal members of the Friendly Sons and Daughters of Saint Patrick. Since the inception of our organization in 1771, our Society has remained committed to upholding our traditions of liberty and charity.

The financial support of our members and benefactors advances our mission, enriches lives, and forges lasting connections between our community and Ireland.

## Over the past twelve months, our Society has accomplished the following:

- Continued the work of the Military & First Responders Fund which has provided aid to at least 15 families whose loved ones were killed or injured while protecting our communities.
- Donated over \$157,000.00 in direct assistance to worthy causes and educational grants IN
  ADDITION to our pre-funded scholarship endowments at 14 local schools, colleges and
  universities.
- Established a scholarship at University College Dublin in recognition of our Gala speaker, John Teeling, a former Friendly Sons and Daughters Scholarship recipient from 1968.
- Made significant Donations to: St. Patrick's Day Observance Association, St. Patrick's Chapel, 174 Trust, GAA, Veteran's Center, Women's Clinic, Little Sisters of the Poor, Angel Flight East, Irish Diaspora Center, Duffy's Cut Project, 174 Trust, Shriners Hospital for Children, Philadelphia Protestant Home, Ivins Outreach Center, St. John's Hospice, Shamrock Reins, Commodore Barry Arts & Cultural Center, The Camphill School, St. Francis Desales School, K9s for Warriors Foundation, and <u>many more</u>.

We ask that you please make a commitment to support our Annual Appeal by donating. Contributions may be made through our website at <a href="www.friendlysonsanddaughters.com/donate-now">www.friendlysonsanddaughters.com/donate-now</a> or by check utilizing the enclosed envelope for your convenience. Please note that 100% of all funds raised during this Appeal will be given directly to the worthy charitable causes and endeavors that we support. Each donation (large or small) makes a huge difference.

Your personal and business generosity is crucial to help us fulfill our mission and continue our charitable activities. Thank you and look forward to seeing you at an upcoming event!

Sincerely,

Theresa F. Murtagh, President

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