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Dear Friend.

For the past 29 years, Chore has, **with your help**, been able to provide services to those in our community who need assistance with basic necessities so that they can remain safely and independently in their homes. Your continued support allows our mission to continue.

Over the past year, some of us may have experienced moments that seemed to feel a bit more carefree and closer to normal, but unfortunately, this has not been the case for everyone. Can you imagine the anxiety that arises from knowing that your health insurance has been exhausted for any type of in-home care and you are unable to pay for the assistance you need, including essential tasks such as house cleaning, shopping and laundry? This is just one scenario encountered by one of our many clients. How can they find reliable and trustworthy help with little to no available funds? Fortunately, this client was referred to Chore by a friend who is familiar with our services, and more importantly, understood that **no one is ever denied help due to ability to contribute towards their services**. One of our dedicated and caring workers was thoughtfully matched with this client and the client remains safely in their home. But more than that, a friendship has been created.

This client is just one of the 134 clients that were helped by our 27 workers this past year who provided 4,881 hours of assistance to seniors in the Northwest Corner of Connecticut. In addition to helping clients with chores such as cleaning, shopping and yardwork, our workers provide companionship to many who feel isolated – especially during these uncertain times.

The services we provide are needed more than ever as federal and state budgets for social services have continued to decrease. With other services being cut, we anticipate increased dependence on Chore for assistance to help our most vulnerable population remain safely in their homes. **Their reliance on us means we have an increased reliance on you, our trusted donors.**

We are so grateful to our donors and community for your wonderful support and hope that you will consider making a gift to help us continue our long tradition of providing high-quality, in-home, non-medical assistance for seniors and the disabled in our community. Your continued support is deeply appreciated.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Dolores Perotti Board President Jane MacLaren
Executive Director