May 1, 2021

Dear Neighbor:

The Friends of the Newbury Council on Aging is a private non-profit organization whose purpose is to raise money to support programs and services offered by the Newbury Council on Aging for elders in Newbury, including Old Town, Plum Island and Byfield.

Your donations this past year helped to fund fuel and regular maintenance expenses for the Council on Aging van, which provides transportation for Newbury elders to shopping trips, medical appointments, COVID-19 vaccine clinics, the Newbury food pantry, local errands and special events. They also enabled the COA to purchase two sets of batteries for the Automated External Defibrillators housed in the COA office.

Support from our community enables the Newbury Council on Aging to assist our elder Newbury neighbors with a variety of critical needs in addition to providing recreational and educational programming. The COA plans to continue offering virtual programs on Zoom and local cable and to provide elders with opportunities for social gatherings at restaurants, museums, theater productions and other special events, such as the annual holiday and volunteer luncheons, when it is safe to do so.

We appreciate hearing from community members who are interested in volunteering to assist with providing the services offered by the COA, such as van drivers to take elders to medical appointments, a COA van monitor to help shoppers in the store and with parcels and guest chefs for monthly luncheons when the COA office can open again. The Friends is also seeking community members to serve on our Board of Directors. A list of volunteer opportunities is included on our website www.friendsofthenewburycoa.org.

Through your donations we can continue to be Friends helping friends. We are thankful for your support!

Sincerely,

Debra Kennedy
President, FNCOA

_____ Yes, I would like to contribute to the Friends of the Newbury Council on Aging. My donation of ________________________ is enclosed.

_____ Yes, I would like to become a volunteer to assist the Newbury Council on Aging or the FNCOA.

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________

City: ___________________ State: ______ Zip Code: ______ Telephone: ________________

Email: __________________________________________

For additional information, please call the COA at (978) 462-8114. Please mail your donation to: Friends of the Newbury Council on Aging, 63 Hanover St., Newbury, MA 01951 or visit our website www.friendsofthenewburycoa.org to donate by credit card.