

### It's Your Life—Your Legacy!

Do what is in your heart to support causes you care about now and for the future. Simplify your charitable gifting through our Jewish Community Foundation of Central Pennsylvania. Then sit back, relax, make recommendations to support Jewish and other causes meaningful to you—and leave the work to us!



#### Honoring Joshua Millman – Immediate Past Chair

On September 1, 2018 Josh Millman became Chair of the Jewish Community Foundation of Central PA. Soon after he presented his proposed objectives to guide the Foundation forward and ensure it had a strategic plan and a method to track progress.

Discussion ensued around the concept of a Steering Committee that would set the course for the future scope of Foundation services to the Central PA community. As harbinger, Josh led the developing committee through its formation, with intent to identify an appropriate leader for the future. Comprised of community innovators, it reviewed his proposed objectives and strategies and quickly became the incubator and barometer that would guide Foundation to achieve measurable goals. Harvey Freedenberg was identified to succeed Josh and has assumed the Chairmanship of the Steering Committee.



**Objectives/Strategies/Accomplishments:** Be the trusted, regional source for development of endowment and other charitable funds, and of the management, administration and granting of organizational and donor charitable gifting funds. Raise dollars through legacy and other gifts that will support relevant programs in the Central PA Jewish community. Engage collaboratively with synagogues, agencies and affinity groups to identify and address community needs. Develop funds to support the needs. Connect donors to community needs that are important to them. Update governing documents to ensure they are congruous with Foundation's mission and include the flexibility to evolve. Update technology to ensure Foundation provides quality, fiduciary services to donors. Address needs of emerging leadership, – the future is theirs – multi generational families, and teens through B'nai Tzedek, to inspire passionate, future community leaders and philanthropists. Connect with affinity groups and professional advisors, for collaboration, innovative ideas and guidance to expand and support our mission. Preservation of Central PA Jewish communities. Appropriate leadership and professional succession planning.

Josh Millman, along with his leadership, accomplished much during his two short years as Chair of the Foundation Board. We are grateful to Josh, for his outstanding leadership and many accomplishments. And that he has chosen to continue serving on the Foundation Board as Chair of the Nominating Committee, member of the Steering Committee, and on other committees.

Thank you Josh, for your many years of service to our Jewish community - for your diligence, determination, hours upon hours of service, guidance, wit, passion - and for sustaining a vibrant Jewish community for today and a secure Jewish future.

#### OUR COMMUNITY BENEFITS FROM JCF EFFORTS

You and donors like you have created 378 Funds through our Jewish Community Foundation for a total of over \$26.7 million in assets (as of 6/30/2020) for the benefit of charities you care about.

☆ Your charitable grants made through funds you created totaled over \$1.5M. \$1.3M were made to support Jewish organizations.

☆ Over 100 Families created their own charitable gifting funds, simplifying their charitable giving with the help of the Foundation.

Want to receive guaranteed fixed income during your lifetime and support charities meaningful to you in the future? Join those who have Charitable Gift Annuities and Trusts through the Foundation and receive guaranteed fixed payments for life for yourself, your spouse and/or significant other

#### COVID 19 Response Funds:

**Thanks to you** families in need of **kosher food** got food from the fresh kosher food pantry and food boxes for children. **Your gifts will help** Jewish individuals and families with technology needs, rent, utilities, medical costs and other emergent needs caused by COVID. **And thanks to you**, grants to our synagogues and agencies ensure that they can continue the vital work of ensuring life with dignity for every Jew. **And through the new Never Again Holocaust Education Fund you are helping to address anti-Semitism** and educate teachers to effectively teach lessons of the Holocaust. **Central PA is home to 70 pockets of Jewish life.** COVID affected their ability to hold High Holiday services and other programs. During our October 27th 2019 Central PA communities gathering, attendees said they wanted more engagement. **Thanks to you**, Foundation, along with its trusted partner The Jewish Community Legacy Project, has been convening them to plan collaborative holiday and other initiatives. **Foundation manages 5 Jewish cemeteries** in communities where there are few, if any, remaining Jews to care for them. **Yet some cemeteries have been abandoned. Your gifts will ensure that sacred Jewish cemeteries receive the care they deserve.** From Jewish education to supporting people in need, from securing the Jewish future to addressing emergent needs, **thanks to your gifts** our agencies and synagogues are strong and able to provide services you have come to expect and our community is vibrant and sustainable. **You are sustaining our community for today and securing the Jewish future.** **Contact us to discuss what is in your heart and how you want to impact what is meaningful to you.**

**YOU SAID YES!** THANKS TO YOU, OUR COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITY-WIDE LEGACY INITIATIVE is securing our Jewish future. **Thanks to you**, we are seeing significant measurable results and were invited to continue the program into year five. **Thanks to gifts from you and our Angels**, Foundation invested a minimum of \$300,000 per year for 4 years. And our commitment included retaining and funding a permanent legacy program director. Through a series of workshops and one-on-one trainings, our organizations are working together as one Jewish Community to build endowments to ensure the Jewish future. We are even working on expanding the program with a second cohort of Central PA organizations. Successful organizations have & will continue to receive incentive grants from the JCF for achieving set goals! **Please sign your Letter of Intent (LOI)** to include a gift to Jewish causes dear you in your will, trust, estate plan, or by beneficiary designation of retirement plans, life insurance policies or other assets. **Thanks to you** we will achieve our Year 5 goal. **Please contact your professional advisors** and take the next step to formalize your legacy gifts to organizations you selected on your Letter of Intent. We have already achieved at least 74% formalization! **You are signing new letters of intent every day.** Organizations continue to ask for legacy gifts from donors who love them. **Legacy gifts will ensure our children and grandchildren have what we have - a vibrant Jewish community today and for the future. Thank you, thank you, thank you – for saying Yes!**

#### Meet Our Foundation Team!



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Legacy Director



MICHELE WICKWIRE  
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Call the JCF to discuss what is in your heart and how to leave your legacy to causes that are important to you!  
Contact Paulette Keifer at (904) 307-2413 or email her at paulette.keifer@pajewishendowment.org

**Join the growing list of 635 members of participating organizations who have signed a Letter of Intent. Remember the Jewish Community in your wills, estate plans and/or by beneficiary designation of retirement plans or life insurance policies or other assets.**