



Jewish Federation
OF CLEVELAND

Dear Friends,

Since our founding more than 115 years ago, your Jewish Federation of Cleveland has seen its share of change – from the geographic expansion from our earliest neighborhoods, to the continued diversification of our community members, to the ever-evolving needs of Jews here and abroad.

Through this change, one thing has remained the same: the commitment of our community to keep Cleveland one of the most vibrant and caring Jewish communities in the world.

This commitment can be seen in the more than 13,000 people who contributed a record \$33.1 million during the most recent Campaign for Jewish Needs, which provides the critical dollars needed to keep Jewish Cleveland healthy, safe, and growing.

It also can be seen in the way in which your Jewish community – Federation, agencies, schools, and other community partners – have demonstrated strength, caring, and a resolve to work together to face the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thanks to the collaborative efforts of professionals and volunteers throughout Jewish Cleveland, food is getting to the hungry, care is reaching the elderly, support

is being provided to those with financial challenges ... the list goes on and on.

At a time when many organizations and businesses have temporarily closed, your community has been able to stay open to ensure vital programs and services – many of which are highlighted in this summary report – continue to be provided in a safe and healthy manner.

And we are able to do all this and more because of you. We are incredibly grateful to you for entrusting us as your partner. It's during uncertain times like these that we can be the proudest of how this community stays together regardless of the changes around us.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the professional staff at the Federation, we thank you for your continued support and commitment to Jewish Cleveland. Likewise, we are eternally grateful to the talented teams at our beneficiary agencies for their dedicated service to our diverse community here and around the world.

J. David Heller
Board Chair

Erika B. Rudin-Luria
President

In 2019...

we cared for one another

- Investing significant resources in preventing, preparing for, and responding to potential security threats to our community, including enhancing security at 63 local institutions
- Assisting more than 700 local Holocaust survivors with their basic needs to allow them to live with dignity
- Providing access to spiritual support at our area hospitals through three Jewish Community Chaplains
- Providing volunteer opportunities for more than 2,000 community members of all ages

we prepared for the future

- Investing \$1.8 million in synagogue congregational schools and early childhood programs that foster a strong Jewish identity
- Delivering school-based counseling through Bellefaire JCB to help students in local Jewish Day Schools and public schools – including Beachwood, Shaker Heights, Solon, and Orange – address mental health needs
- Providing a wide range of leadership development programs, including Women IN Philanthropy's Coaching Circles, Young Leadership Division's LEADS program, and the Mandel Symposium

we shared our perspectives

- Providing advocacy training to combat anti-Semitism
- Deepening connections to Israel through personal experiences and programs offered by the Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI)
- Hosting more than 30,000 attendees at various exhibits and performances through our Cleveland Israel Arts Connection
- Supplying transportation to more than 6,000 students in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District to attend programming at the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage

and we repaired our world

- Offering safe space, kosher meals, and counseling to community members seeking shelter through Jewish Family Service Association's (JFSA) Hebrew Shelter Home
- Helping 150 families navigate financial crisis and avoid homelessness through JFSA's Forward Focus
- Assisting Jews living in poverty around the world through the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee

Your Federation...



Offered more than **60 ISRAEL-RELATED PROGRAMS ON LOCAL COLLEGE CAMPUSES** through Hillel



Created **ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES** in Tel Aviv for college students from Cleveland through Onward Israel



Developed **INNOVATIVE CLASSROOM MATERIALS AND CURRICULA** for Jewish education in Cleveland that are used throughout North America



Supported **NEARLY 40 FAMILY MEMBERS** of people with dementia and Alzheimer's to learn best practices from "Savvy Caregiver" workshop at JFSA and Menorah Park



Provided Narcan **TRAINING FOR OVER 130 PEOPLE** to prepare them to respond in the case of an opioid overdose in the Jewish and general community



Convened quarterly **35 COMMUNITY AGENCIES** that serve Jewish community members with financial needs in a Financial Distress Roundtable



Nurtured the relationship between Beit Shean/the Valley of Springs, Israel and the city of Cleveland, which adopted **THIS ISRAELI COMMUNITY** as a sister city in 2019



Exposed more than **100 BUSINESS AND CIVIC LEADERS** from across the Greater Cleveland community to the beauty, history, and cultural significance of Israel



Hosted educational and cultural exchange programs for nearly **90 ISRAELI PROFESSIONALS** and leaders in Cleveland

Every dollar makes

Every year, Jewish Cleveland raises money for the **CAMPAIGN FOR JEWISH NEEDS** to help ensure our community's vitality and vibrancy. We thank Campaign Chair Jeffrey J. Wild for his leadership over the past two years.

**ANNUAL
CAMPAIGN
FOR JEWISH
NEEDS**

\$33,102,355
RAISED IN THE 2020 CAMPAIGN
FOR JEWISH NEEDS

13,000+
DONORS

9,869 *including* **1,502** + **65**
GIFTS NEW GIFTS NEW BEN-
GURION SOCIETY
GIFTS*

38 CAMPAIGN BENEFICIARY AGENCIES
that help tens of thousands of people in Cleveland, Israel, and around the world

IN CLEVELAND

@Akiva High School
Bellefaire JCB
Cleveland Hillel Foundation
CWRU Siegal Jewish
Lifelong Learning Program
Fuchs Mizrahi School
Gross Schechter Day School

Hebrew Academy of Cleveland
Hebrew Shelter Home
Hillel at Kent State University
Jewish Community Security
Jewish Education Center
Jewish Family Service Association

Joseph and Florence Mandel Jewish Day School
Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage
Mandel Jewish Community Center
Menorah Park
Montefiore
Yeshiva Derech HaTorah**

**ACROSS THE
COUNTRY**

American Jewish Committee
Anti-Defamation League
BBYO
Hadassah
Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society
Hillel at Miami University
Hillel at Ohio University
Hillel Foundation for Jewish
Campus Life

JCC Association
Jewish Council for Public Affairs
Jewish Telegraphic Agency (70
Faces Media)
Jewish War Veterans
National Council Supporting
Eurasian Jewry (formerly NCSJ)
Network for Jewish Human Service
Agencies (formerly AJFCA)

**AROUND THE
GLOBE**

American Jewish Joint
Distribution Committee (JDC)
Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI)
Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA)
Overseas Connections Committee,
Jewish Federation of Cleveland
World ORT
Ethiopian National Project

** For the 2020 Campaign for Jewish Needs, the Brunswick Companies' sponsored a "BGS Challenge" that looked to incentivize at least 60 new Ben-Gurion Society gifts of \$1,000 or more with an additional contribution of \$1,000*

*** Agency is in candidacy status*

**NO CLEVELAND
IMPACTS MORE**

es a huge difference

FEDERATION ENDOWMENT FUNDS are the community's safety net in challenging times and provide innovative programs that could not be funded by annual giving alone.

**YOUR
JEWISH
LEGACY
OUR
COMMUNITY'S
FUTURE**

\$106,049,846

ALLOCATED TO THE JEWISH
AND GENERAL COMMUNITY

representing **8,011** *from* **695**
GRANTS DISTRIBUTED FUNDS

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GRANTS IN 2019 FROM THE
FEDERATION ENDOWMENT FUND

totaling **\$2,299,406**

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NEW LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBERS*

Dana and Mark Bander
Lois and Lawrence Corman
Shulamith and Gerald Erenberg
Marc Freimuth
Steven Keller

Roy Minoff
Wendi and Ervin Pavlofsky
Michael Perlmutter
Sheri and Ken Sacks
Linda Sandhaus and Roland Philip

Sally and Larry Sears
Michal and Steven Soclof
Nat Spaeth
Anonymous (6)

* The Jewish Federation of Cleveland's Legacy Society recognizes those who have made provisions for the future of our Jewish community with an endowment commitment currently or in the future through their estate plans.

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TOTAL GRANTMAKING & PROGRAM EXPENSES:

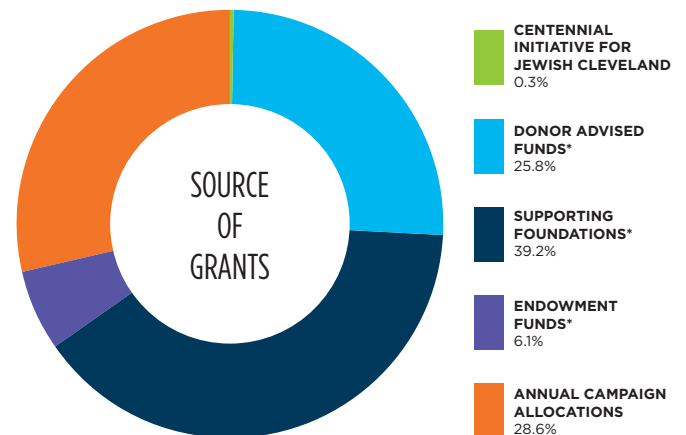
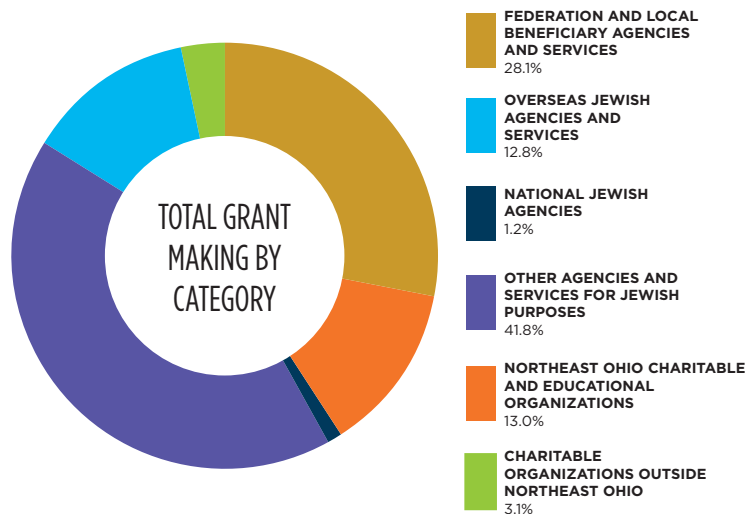
	TOTAL JFC SUPPORT	CAMPAIGN ALLOCATION from the 2019 Campaign for Jewish Needs for FY 7/1/19 - 6/30/20 ⁽¹⁾	OTHER FEDERATION SUPPORT from donor advised and special purpose funds, supporting foundations, the Endowment Fund for FY 7/1/18 - 6/30/19
LOCAL AGENCIES AND SERVICES			
@Akiva High School	180,173	180,173	-
Bellefaire JCB	1,301,760	1,132,085	169,675
Cleveland Hillel Foundation	801,883	648,472	153,411
Community Cemetery Support	279,466	-	279,466
Fuchs Mizrahi School	950,319	541,741	408,578 ^(2,4)
Gross Schechter Day School	933,344	461,334	472,010 ^(2,4)
Hebrew Academy of Cleveland	2,938,128	1,283,219	1,654,909 ^(2,4)
Hebrew Shelter Home	85,961	83,711	2,250
Hillel at Kent State University	311,373	233,255	78,118
Holocaust Survivor Initiative	498,284	- ⁽⁵⁾	498,284
Jewish Community Security ⁽⁶⁾	1,207,554	535,000	672,554
Jewish Federation of Cleveland	1,502,182	1,477,182	25,000
Jewish Education Center (incl. Fund for the Jewish Future*)	6,143,186	4,242,571	1,900,615
Jewish Family Service Association	5,992,432	2,636,337 ⁽⁵⁾	3,356,095
Joseph and Florence Mandel Jewish Day School	937,418	552,125	385,293 ^(2,4)
Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage	549,140	226,230	322,910
Mandel Jewish Community Center	2,269,037	1,930,865	338,172
Menorah Park	1,141,224	441,465	699,759
Montefiore	540,860	364,797	176,063
Laura and Alvin Siegal College of Judaic Studies Educational Foundation (including funding for CWRU Siegal Lifelong Learning Program)	276,345	276,345	-
Yeshiva Derech HaTorah ⁽⁷⁾	916,040	262,500	653,540 ⁽⁴⁾
SUBTOTAL	29,756,109	17,509,407	12,246,702
OVERSEAS AGENCIES AND SERVICES			
<i>Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA)</i> provides assistance to those in need and translates Jewish values into action on behalf of millions of Jews worldwide. Works in close partnership with the Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI) and the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC). Also supports Cleveland's partnership in Beit Shean, and the Valley of Springs, the Ronald S. Lauder JDC camp in Szarvas, Hungary, and summer camps for children in the former Soviet Union.	10,457,162	9,004,836	1,452,326
<i>Jewish Federation of Cleveland's Overseas Programs</i> , under the direction of the Overseas Connections Committee, links Jews in Cleveland with Jews around the world. Programs include: advancing STEM education for elementary students in four communities in Israel; IDF Education Corps Projects and the Havat HaShomer army base for at-risk young men and women; I-Connect, increasing the number of young adults from Cleveland experiencing Israel; connecting Jews in Cleveland and Beit Shean, Israel; Bridge to the Future, a community change organization in Beit Shean, Israel; Jordan/Cross-Border Initiative, connecting Jordanians and Israelis; and the Cleveland/St. Petersburg Partnership for community-building programs in St. Petersburg, Russia and Jewish identity programs in six towns in its periphery.	3,064,524	3,040,973	23,551
SUBTOTAL	13,521,686	12,045,809	1,475,877

1. Includes part of United Way of Greater Cleveland (UWGC) grant of \$1,543,069. UWGC supports Bellefaire, JFSA, Mandel JCC, Menorah Park, Montefiore, and the Federation.
2. Includes Centennial Initiative grants.
3. From the annual Campaign after deducting fundraising cost of 8.9 percent, one of the lowest overhead costs of any charitable organization in Ohio.
4. Includes funding for school security.
5. JFSA allocation includes Holocaust survivor support.
6. \$187,500 of additional security grants paid directly to agencies are included elsewhere.
7. Candidacy status.

* The Fund for the Jewish Future is a partnership of communal agencies, synagogues, and schools that develop and implement programs to dramatically enhance our community's Jewish educational system. The Fund is administered by the Jewish Education Center of Cleveland and received an allocation from the 2019 Campaign for Jewish Needs to support teacher training, enhanced technology, and educational opportunities for students, including those who have special needs. The Fund also provides local synagogues with more than \$1 million in educational programs and services.

JEWISH FEDERATION OF CLEVELAND

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NATIONAL AGENCIES			
American Jewish Committee	136,580	58,500	78,080
Anti-Defamation League	80,936	58,500	22,436
BBYO	319,320	52,600	266,720
Hadassah	11,807	2,000	9,807
Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society	15,000	15,000	-
Hillel at Miami University	78,653	67,060	11,593
Hillel at Ohio University	72,060	72,060	-
Hillel Foundation for Jewish Campus Life	308,360	120,000	188,360
JCC Association	115,500	115,500	-
Jewish Council for Public Affairs	92,000	68,500	23,500
Jewish Telegraphic Agency (70 Faces Media)	47,000	47,000	-
Jewish War Veterans	2,100	2,100	-
National Council Supporting Eurasian Jewry (formerly NCSJ)	10,000	10,000	-
Network for Jewish Human Service Agencies (formerly AJFCA)	7,800	7,800	-
SUBTOTAL	1,297,116	696,620	600,496
OTHER GRANTS FOR JEWISH PURPOSES			
Includes local synagogues, local and national Jewish organizations meeting educational and humanitarian needs, and international organizations that serve Jewish communities in need.	44,358,312	-	44,358,312
SUBTOTAL	44,358,312	-	44,358,312
NORTHEASTERN OHIO CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SERVING THE GENERAL COMMUNITY	13,846,869	-	13,846,869
SUBTOTAL	13,846,869	-	13,846,869
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS OUTSIDE NORTHEASTERN OHIO SERVING THE GENERAL COMMUNITY	3,269,754	-	3,269,754
SUBTOTAL	3,269,754	-	3,269,754
GRAND TOTAL	106,049,846	30,251,836⁽³⁾	75,798,010



* Does not include grants to the Campaign for Jewish Needs

Our endowment funds, donor advised funds, and supporting foundations, combined with the annual Campaign for Jewish Needs and Centennial Initiative for Jewish Cleveland fundraising, make the Federation one of Ohio's largest grantmaking organizations — with over \$106 million allocated from all sources in the 2019 fiscal year.

Thank you, JFC Security, LLC



In the face of the growing threat from anti-Semitism and xenophobia – which some estimate to be at near-historic levels – increased community security is no longer an option; it's a necessity. Therefore, we are investing significant resources into further enhancing the level of security available in Jewish Cleveland.

For example, through Federation's security provider, we are increasing the number of highly trained, armed guards

at our early childhood and preschool programs, schools, and synagogues, as well as those that patrol our community. Similarly, we are training more community members who work or volunteer at our beneficiary agencies to recognize signs of potential threats and how to handle various situations. We're doing all this – and so much more – so people can live Jewishly without hesitation or fear.



“JFC Security, LLC — the Federation's security provider — adds one more layer (of security) that we're happy to have.”

Christopher Kostura, chief of police, Orange Police Department

“When a person who was unfamiliar to our congregants entered the building, we knew how to approach him because of the training we received.”

Renee Higer, executive director, Temple Emanu El

“Kids know they can come to school and feel safe and not worry.”

Rochel Fine, parent, Hebrew Academy of Cleveland

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