Lion of Judah Endowment (LOJE)

With a Lion of Judah Endowment (LOJE), you can endow your gift to the Minneapolis Jewish Federation Annual Campaign and guarantee future support for critical programs and services. A woman who gives a minimum of $5,000 to the Annual Campaign can endow her gift through this unique program.

At-A-Glance

- Enables your Minneapolis Jewish Federation Annual Campaign gift to be made in perpetuity
- Offers tax benefits for you and/or your estate
- Provides resources for organizations that are important to you

DECADES FROM NOW
you can be there...
An Endowment is Forever
Establishing a Lion of Judah Endowment (LOJE) at the Jewish Community Foundation of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation allows a woman currently making a gift of $5,000 or more to endow her Federation Annual Campaign gift in perpetuity. Through simple, innovative steps, an endowed gift is within the reach of a Lion of Judah, regardless of her age or giving level. The Or L’Atid flame, attached to the Lion of Judah pin, signifies to the Jewish world a woman’s commitment to the continuation of Jewish life. Donors creating LOJE funds with a minimum contribution of $100,000 are recognized by membership in the LOJE Honor Roll and on a beautiful piece of art housed at the Minneapolis Jewish Federation.

The strength and vitality of women’s giving continues through LOJE—enabling women to leave a legacy to help create social justice, heal the sick, preserve human dignity, and provide Jewish education and Jewish growth for all.

There are several ways a woman can establish a LOJE:

- **Gift of Cash/Assets** – An outright gift of cash or appreciated assets like stocks, bonds or property is the easiest way.
- **Bequest** – A simple bequest in a will is the most common technique for creating a LOJE.
- **Gift of Life Insurance** – A gift of a life insurance policy is particularly appealing for younger donors because of its reasonable cost and tax benefits. By naming the Minneapolis Jewish Federation owner and beneficiary, the donor may be able to deduct the premiums.
- **Gift of IRA or Pension Plans** – IRA and pension plans are subject to high taxes when left in your estate. This makes them ideal for transfer in whole or in part to a charity to create a LOJE.
- **Charitable Income Plan** – A Charitable Remainder Trust or Charitable Gift Annuity offers life income payments with the benefit of a current tax deduction. The remainder of the trust or annuity can be dedicated to create a LOJE.

Of course, there are additional funding vehicles available to you. The Jewish Community Foundation staff or your financial or estate planner can help you select the ones best suited for your needs. All contributions to establish a LOJE are tax deductible. In addition, contributing appreciated assets held at least one year avoids the tax on capital gains.

**ALL INQUIRIES ARE CONFIDENTIAL.**

A gift today to the Jewish Community Foundation of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation will allow you to be there for your family, your community, and the Jewish people—whenever help is needed in the future.