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Jewish Federations Announce New Cycle of Funding for Innovative Holocaust Survivor Care

Awards will result in $4 million in programming

New York – The Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA) is proud to announce the distribution of $2.8 million in grants to 30 organizations across the country through its Center for Advancing Holocaust Survivor Care. In this third year of programming, JFNA will distribute $2.2 million to 21 organizations for new projects and an additional $662,500 to last year’s awardees to sustain ongoing programs. Subgrantees will provide innovative person-centered, trauma-informed (PCTI) supportive services to thousands of Holocaust survivors in the United States. When combined with matching funds required by the grant, this funding will result in $4 million in programming for Holocaust survivor services.

“It is critical that we deliver these lifesaving and life-enhancing services to Holocaust survivors. The past two years of this federal grant program have shown the deep impact that person-centered, trauma-informed services can have on Holocaust survivors. We are grateful to partner with the government to augment this work,” said Mark Wilf, chair of JFNA’s National Holocaust Survivor Initiative.

Jewish Federations launched the Center for Advancing Holocaust Survivor Care in the fall of 2015, following an award from the United States Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Community Living for up to $12 million over five years. In collaboration with the Network of Jewish Human Service Agencies and the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, the award advances innovations in PCTI services for Holocaust survivors in the United States. In addition to this federal effort, Jewish Federations’ National Holocaust Survivor Initiative links support from Federations, foundations, private citizens, and federal, state, and local governments to help aging Holocaust survivors live with dignity and security in the comfort of their communities. Federations have raised more than $45 million for survivor care. The awards announced today come from the federal funding plus philanthropic dollars raised through Federations’ campaign.

New grants awarded to:

CJE SeniorLife, Chicago;
Edith and Carl Marks Jewish Community House of Bensonhurst, New York
Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family & Children’s Service of Palm Beach County, Inc.
Jewish Community Council of Canarsie, New York
Jewish Community Council of the Rockaway Peninsula, New York
Jewish Family & Children’s Services of Southern Arizona
Jewish Family & Community Services East Bay, California
Jewish Family & Community Services, Inc., Jacksonville, Florida
Jewish Family and Children’s Services of San Francisco, the Peninsula, Marin and Sonoma Counties
Jewish Family Service of Central New Jersey
Jewish Family Service of Cincinnati
Jewish Family Service of Metropolitan Detroit
Jewish Family Service of Orange County, Inc, New York
Jewish Family Service Seattle
Jewish Family Services Columbus, Ohio
Jewish Family Services of Greater Charlotte
KleinLife, Philadelphia
Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty, New York
Older Adults Technology Services, Inc., New York
Pesach Tikvah Hope Development, New York
Selfhelp Community Services, Inc., New York
Renewal grants awarded to:

Bet Tzedek, Los Angeles
Edith and Carl Marks Jewish Community House of Bensonhurst, New York
Gulf Coast Jewish Family and Community Services, Inc., Clearwater, Florida
Jewish Family & Career Services, Louisville, Kentucky
Jewish Family & Child Service, Portland, Oregon
Jewish Family & Children's Service of Greater Philadelphia
Jewish Family and Children's Services of North New Jersey
Jewish Federation and Family Services of Orange County, California
Pesach Tikvah Hope Development, Inc., New York
Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services, Palm Beach, Florida
Selfhelp Community Services, Inc., New York
The Blue Card, Inc., New York

Previous grants awarded to:

CJE SeniorLife, Chicago;
Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family & Children’s Service of Palm Beach County;
Guardians of the Sick, Brooklyn
Jewish Community Services of Baltimore
Jewish Community Services of South Florida
Jewish Family & Career Services of Atlanta
Jewish Family & Children’s Service of Greater Boston
Jewish Family & Community Services East Bay, California
Jewish Family and Children’s Services of San Francisco
Jewish Family Service Agency of Central New Jersey
Jewish Family Service Association of Cleveland
Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles
Jewish Family Service of Metropolitan Detroit
Jewish Family Service of Orange County, New York
Jewish Family Service of Rochester
Jewish Family Service of San Diego
Jewish Family Service of the Cincinnati Area
Jewish Family Services of Columbus, Ohio
Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City
Jewish Family Services of Indianapolis
Jewish Social Service Agency, Greater Washington
Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty, New York
Selfhelp Community Services, New York

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