

2024-25 Financial Report



As One

Letter from the Chair

June 2025

Dear Friends,

I will begin by thanking each of you for your ongoing, generous support of the Jewish Federation of Ottawa. The 2025 Annual Campaign remained strong, raising over \$5 million. These vital funds have had a significant impact on our community - strengthening security, enriching education, caring for our most vulnerable, supporting work on advocacy, and combatting antisemitism. At the same time, Federation continued to offer meaningful Jewish experiences for individuals of all ages and all backgrounds.



This past year has been marked by significant challenges. The continued rise in antisemitism, both globally and right here in our beloved city, has been devastating.

Despite this reality, Federation continues to thrive, bringing new and creative initiatives to Jewish Ottawa. As of June 2025, the **Microgrants** program has been exceptionally successful, allocating over \$100,000 to empower 58 grassroots initiatives, strengthening the fabric of our community.

This year, Federation sent 11 students on the **March of the Living** Program, and 16 young adults on **Birthright**, giving them a deeper connection to our history, and providing them with a greater appreciation for the importance of the State of Israel to the Jewish people.

For young families, our **PJ Library** program is flourishing, connecting hundreds of families to Jewish stories and traditions. And programs for young adults including **Capital J** and **J-Fellows**, provides mentorship and support for our next generation of community leaders.

In the upcoming months, the Jewish Federation of Ottawa will be launching our new **Strategic Plan**. It will aim to enhance a sense of belonging for all community members, encourage deeper connections to Jewish life, and ensure a thriving future for Jewish Ottawa.

As I conclude my two-year term as Chair of the Board, I feel tremendous gratitude to have had the opportunity to work alongside a dedicated and passionate group of professional and lay leaders, volunteers and community members. I am pleased to welcome Danya Vered as the new Board chair. I am confident in her leadership, knowing that she will guide us forward with tremendous care, compassion, strength, and wisdom.

Am Yisrael Chai.

With profound gratitude,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Karen Palayew'.

Karen Palayew
Chair, Board of Directors, Jewish Federation of Ottawa

Funding for local organizations

(Federation's fiscal year)
JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024

AGENCY	ALLOCATIONS	MICROGRANTS TO AGENCIES (*INDIVIDUALS)	INNOVATIVE CAPACITY BUILDING	GRANTS COMMUNITY IMPACT	GRANTS EMERGENCY FUNDING	TOTAL
AJA 50+	\$13,000	\$4,000				\$17,000
Beit Tikvah		\$2,500	\$4,487			\$6,987
CBB	\$22,000	\$1,748	\$7,000			\$30,748
Chabad Hebrew School	\$20,040			\$7,000		\$27,040
Chabad of Centrepointhe		\$6,300				\$6,300
Chabad of Kanata		\$2,500				\$2,500
Chabad Student Network	\$3,500	\$1,200				\$4,700
Chabad of Wellington West		\$4,800				\$4,800
Congregation Machzikei Hadas		\$4,400		\$8,752		\$13,152
Hillel on Campus	\$51,000	\$533	\$6,000			\$57,533
Hillel Lodge	\$231,787		\$5,000	\$15,000		\$251,787
JET Ottawa	\$27,000	\$6,800				\$33,800
Jewish Family Services	\$384,487	\$3,400	\$10,000	\$28,752		\$426,639
Jewish Youth Library	\$7,400	\$2,500		\$17,222		\$27,122
Kehillat Beth Israel		\$4,050				\$4,050
NCSY	\$24,200	\$1,130				\$25,330
Or Haneshamah	\$1,000					\$1,000
OJCS	\$554,526		\$5,000			\$559,526
Ottawa Kosher Food Bank		\$2,500				\$2,500
Ottawa Modern Jewish School	\$15,821	\$450	\$6,000	\$6,500		\$28,771
OTT@ KBI	\$12,657			\$3,500		\$16,157
Ottawa Torah Centre	\$13,000	\$11,200		\$8,752		\$32,952
TDSO, Yeshiva High School of Ottawa	\$16,500					\$16,500
Sephardi Association	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$3,401			\$7,901
Soloway JCC	\$384,667	\$5,605		\$20,000		\$410,272
Tamir	\$86,787					\$86,787
Temple Israel		\$4,500		\$8,752		\$13,252
Temple Israel Religious School	\$36,916		\$6,000	\$6,500		\$49,416
Torah Day School	\$222,040		\$6,000	\$16,500		\$244,540
Torah High	\$20,040			\$5,500		\$25,540
Young Israel		\$2,080				\$2,080
Ohev Yisroel				\$2,284		\$2,284
CHES				\$20,000		\$20,000
Chabad Lubavitch				\$8,752		\$8,752
Microgrants to Individuals					\$45,187	\$45,187
Total	\$2,150,368	\$74,696	\$58,888	\$183,766	\$45,187	\$2,512,905

FY24 Local Community Services	\$2,512,905
Overseas & National Agencies: Domestic Agenda	\$559,450
Jewish Community Campus of Ottawa capital reserves, expenses & vacancies	\$310,394
Total Allocations	\$3,382,749
**Other Net Deferred	\$183,250
Total 2024 Campaign Allocations	\$3,565,999

**Accounting variance
due to this year's realized
deferred less newly deferred

Financial Statements

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT JUNE 30, 2024

	General	Ottawa Vaad Hakashruth	Property	2024 Total	2023 Total
ASSETS					
Current					
Cash	\$ 245,839	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 245,839	\$ 570,930
Cash equivalents (note 3)	6,037,743	-	-	6,037,743	6,695,173
Pledges receivable - campaigns (note 5)	3,364,692	-	-	3,364,692	3,316,275
Accounts receivable (note 6)	439,586	63,204	-	502,790	354,655
Deferred expenditures - subsequent campaign	49,257	-	-	49,257	49,495
Prepaid expenses	89,144	-	2,557	91,701	156,176
Loan receivable - Generations Trust (note 11)	315,000	-	-	315,000	-
	10,541,261	63,204	2,557	10,607,022	11,142,704
Long-term					
Investment - managed funds (note 8)	1,403,100	-	-	1,403,100	810,146
Capital assets (note 9)	60,607	-	350,388	410,995	415,528
Loan receivable - Generation Trust (note 11)	1,285,000	-	-	1,285,000	-
Loan receivable (note 12)	100,000	-	-	100,000	100,000
	2,848,707	-	350,388	3,199,095	1,325,674
	\$ 13,389,968	\$ 63,204	\$ 352,945	\$ 13,806,117	\$ 12,468,378
LIABILITIES					
Current					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 252,505	\$ 115,579	\$ 271	\$ 368,355	\$ 558,355
Allocations payable (note 7)	4,415,309	-	-	4,415,309	4,298,357
Deferred contributions (note 10)	1,990,975	-	4,109	1,995,084	766,845
Interfund advances (note 13)	185,086	(64,841)	(120,245)	-	-
Due to related party (note 7)	27,565	-	-	27,565	119,508
	6,871,440	50,738	(115,865)	6,806,313	5,743,065
Deferred contributions (note 10)	272,475	-	-	272,475	389,064
	7,143,915	50,738	(115,865)	7,078,788	6,132,129
Contingencies and commitments (note 16)					
NET ASSETS (schedule 1)					
Unrestricted (note 14)	3,947,288	12,466	-	3,959,754	3,827,016
Internally restricted (note 15)	2,238,158	-	118,367	2,356,525	2,093,705
Invested in capital assets	60,607	-	350,443	411,050	415,528
	6,246,053	12,466	468,810	6,727,329	6,336,249
	\$ 13,389,968	\$ 63,204	\$ 352,945	\$ 13,806,117	\$ 12,468,378

Your support makes a difference
in the lives of many.

Thank you to our
Corporate Partners.



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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	General	Ottawa Vaad Hakashruth	Property	2024 Total	2023 Total
Annual Campaign revenues					
Annual Campaign pledges	\$ 4,922,203	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,922,203	\$ 4,885,120
Emergency Campaign for resilience	-	-	-	-	124,244
Emergency Campaign for Israel	1,958,032	-	-	1,958,032	-
Campaign events	251,863	-	-	251,863	179,674
Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation grants	671,110	-	-	671,110	513,105
	7,803,208	-	-	7,803,208	5,702,143
Other revenues					
Recoveries (schedule 4)	-	362,727	68,189	430,916	390,625
Net investment income	456,012	-	-	456,012	309,899
Donations and grants	656,503	-	-	656,503	779,249
Federation programs (schedule 3)	244,144	-	-	244,144	282,785
Fundraising and administration (schedule 2)	47,199	-	-	47,199	115,379
	1,403,858	362,727	68,189	1,834,774	1,877,937
	9,207,066	362,727	68,189	9,637,982	7,580,080
Expenditures					
Campaign events	109,933	-	-	109,933	110,615
Fundraising and administration (schedule 2)	827,724	-	-	827,724	685,750
	937,657	-	-	937,657	796,365
Net result before allocations and programs	8,269,409	362,727	68,189	8,700,325	6,783,715
Allocations and programs					
Agencies (schedule 5)	3,266,168	-	-	3,266,168	3,218,496
Designated distributions	429,472	-	-	429,472	681,003
Emergency campaign distributions	1,958,032	-	-	1,958,032	124,243
Federation programs (schedules 3, 4)	2,178,915	418,840	57,818	2,655,573	2,378,806
	7,832,587	418,840	57,818	8,309,245	6,402,548
Net result for the year	\$ 436,822	\$ (56,113)	\$ 10,371	\$ 391,080	\$ 381,167

	General	Ottawa Vaad Hakashruth	Property	2024 Total	2023 Total
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 5,809,231	\$ 68,579	\$ 458,439	\$ 6,336,249	\$ 5,955,082
Net result for the year	436,822	(56,113)	10,371	391,080	381,167
Net assets, end of year	\$ 6,246,053	\$ 12,466	\$ 468,810	\$ 6,727,329	\$ 6,336,249

MISSION

To advance and promote
an exceptional quality of Jewish life

VISION

A thriving Ottawa Jewish community that is welcoming,
inclusive, accessible, educated and engaged

CORE VALUES

Torah, chesed (loving kindness), k'lal Yisrael
(Jewish peoplehood), tzedakah (philanthropic giving),
tikkun olam (repairing the world)

Enduring affinity and support for the Jewish State of Israel

CORPORATE PRINCIPLES

- Collaboration and partnership
- Care, acceptance, and respect for every individual
- Transparency and accountability
- Innovative and forward-thinking leadership

