

Top recommendations for how you can enhance your security RIGHT NOW

1. Identify a security lead for your organization - someone who will be responsible for ensuring security awareness and preparedness. This person should be the point of contact for the Federation's security task force and enrolled in our communications. You can identify/confirm your organization's security contact by emailing amyk@jewishheartnj.org.
2. Review any past security assessment of your building. If you do not have one, complete a self-assessment. Information on how to do so can be found here: www.jewishheartnj.org/security.

PLEASE SHARE THESE ASSESSMENTS WITH OUR SECURITY TASK FORCE BY EMAILING AMYK!

3. Recruit and identify a security team for your organization who will be familiar with your organization's procedures and who can act as leads on the ground during events and activities. Members of this team should be trained and aware of your security/emergency procedures.
4. Make friends with your local police department, including meeting with the police chief and counter-terrorism coordinator. They can be very helpful in ensuring a presence during events (indicating that there will be high traffic at certain times can be an effective approach/request). Also invite law enforcement to visit your facility regularly and to do a walk-through or an onsite training exercise in your facility.
5. Review any emergency operations procedures. If you do not have them or they are incomplete, develop them in partnership with your local authorities. You can also contact our Task Force to be helpful.
6. Ensure that representatives from your organization participate in upcoming trainings in the community!!!
7. Communicate with your constituents, both in terms of how you are taking security seriously and in terms of emergency procedures/steps/routes in your facilities and on the ground.

BEYOND THESE STEPS, HERE IS WHAT TO CONSIDER NEXT:

- Ensure smart access control for your building
 - o Do you have limited access points to your building? And how can you ensure people don't leave them propped open?
 - o Are these access points locked when appropriate with controlled admission?
 - o When your doors are unlocked, do you have personal greeters, ushers or security, especially during high traffic/profile events?
- Ensure effective monitoring
 - o Do you have cameras that record and capture video?
 - o Is there a live feed from these cameras that someone is monitoring?
- Consider a professional security assessment
 - o What are specific security upgrade and hardware recommendations?
 - o How can you best make the case for applying for security grants?