Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford Jewish Community Relations Council

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Mission

The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) of the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford advocates, educates, collaborates, and mobilizes the Jewish community to ensure a strong and secure Jewish future. JCRC builds alliances within and outside the Jewish community, educating and galvanizing the community on issues of social justice, enhancing the community's understanding of Israel, combating antisemitism and hate, and advocating for public policy consistent with Jewish values.

Objectives

- Engagement: To develop a strong, engaged, and cohesive JCRC committee of diverse members and community participants and engage the wider community in the work of JCRC.
- 2. Relationship Building: To build and strengthen relationships with Jewish, non-Jewish, community, civic and faith leaders.
- 3. Combat Antisemitism and Hate: To combat anti-Semitism and all forms of hate through education, advocacy, and alliances.
- 4. Israel Education and Advocacy: To educate and raise awareness about Israel and to garner support for Israel through a broad program of coordinated activities, and combat anti-Israel activity through awareness, education, advocacy, and relationship building.
- 5. Social Action: To educate and activate the Jewish community on domestic issues such as social and economic justice, racial inequity, and other major societal concerns through a Jewish lens.
- 6. Government Relations: To expand JCRC's relationship with local elected officials and to advocate for public policy consistent with Jewish values in a non-partisan manner.

Council Member Expectations

JCRC members are expected to serve at least one, two-year term, with the opportunity to serve three consecutive terms. JCRC meetings take place in the evenings for 1-1.5 hours, five times per year (excluding summers). Members must also join at least one task force under the umbrella of the Council, which meet intermittently between full Council meetings, to help direct and implement the work of the Council, plan events and programs for engagement, publicize JCRC work and volunteer to spearhead various endeavors as needed throughout the year.

JCRC is an arm of the Greater Hartford Jewish Federation and receives its funds from the Federation. Consequently, it is expected that each member of the JCRC will make a personally meaningful annual gift to the Federation.

New Membership

If you are interested in helping to fulfill JCRC's mission, please contact Danielle Moghadam and complete the application. Please click <u>here</u> to apply. All applications will be reviewed by an internal committee and those selected for an interview will be notified. JCRC members must be from the Greater Hartford region, residing in one of the Jewish Federation's catchment area towns, click <u>here</u> for more information.

Please contact Danielle Moghadam, Director of JCRC, with any questions at dmoghadam@jewishhartford.org.