

Community Gratitude

Jewish Hartford Rapid Relief & Recovery Fund



INDIVIDUAL AID RECIPIENTS

“I received your generous direct deposit today. I am so very grateful. This will truly help me make ends meet. Your kindness is very appreciated! The calls I have received and the weekly delivery of kosher food are also extremely helpful. I am proud to be a part of such a supportive, loving community that believes in *tikkun olam* and takes care of one another.” - *Emergency financial assistance recipient*

“While I am still waiting for the CT Department of Labor to process my unemployment claim, the RRR Fund responded with no delay. I have never witnessed a humanitarian effort such as this from the other side of the fence. It makes me proud to be a Jew. It makes me want to hug everyone who has contributed.” - *Emergency financial assistance recipient*

“I am so appreciative of all that you are doing for me and so many others in this community. It truly is going above the call of duty.” - *Kosher food delivery recipient*

“I've lived 27 years in Hartford through all kinds of times and this is the first time [the community] has come right to my home to help me. I think it's wonderful!” - *Kosher food delivery recipient*

“I can't believe this! My community really cares about me. G-d is good.” - *Kosher food delivery recipient*

“I just lost my sister to COVID-19. I can't even think about cooking right now. When this delivery arrived at my door, I felt so blessed.” - *Kosher food delivery recipient*

“I live out of state and can't bring groceries to my elderly mother. I just wanted to call and thank you from the bottom of my heart for helping my mom right now.” - *Adult child of kosher food delivery recipient*

“When I was a little girl we lived in Leningrad. Imagine how cold it was! It was wartime. We had no heat and no food. This does not compare to the hardships of those days... but you have made sure that I don't go hungry.” - *Kosher food delivery recipient*

“Thank you so much for the Dignity Tote. I really needed but could not afford some of the items in the bag.” - *Dignity Grows™ Dignity Tote recipient*

“I cry most days thinking about the world outside. After getting off the phone with you last week, I couldn't stop crying tears of joy to know that my community cared about me so much to make sure someone called to check on me every week.” - *Telephone wellness check recipient*

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SYNAGOGUE GRANT RECIPIENTS

“Your support is much needed and much appreciated.” - *Tema Silk, President, B'nai Tikvoh-Sholom*

“Thank you – *todah* – this is great news!” - *Eliad Shmuel, Treasurer, Beit Mordechai*

“This is community at its best and you have been so instrumental in making this happen.”
- *Rabbi Jim Rosen, Beth El Temple*

“Thank you so much! This is amazing news!” - *Tracy Mozingo, Executive Director, Congregation Beth Israel*

“Thank you so much for your support! This goes a long way for our congregation!”
- *Tim Lawrence, President, Congregation Kol Haverim*

“On behalf of the Board and the entire congregation I want to thank the Jewish Community Foundation and the Jewish Federation for their leadership in establishing the Jewish Hartford Rapid Relief and Recovery Fund. The work of the Foundation and Federation is critical to the success of our vibrant Jewish community.” - *Mel Simon, President, Emanuel Synagogue*

“Thank you so much for your work on behalf of the entire Jewish community. We are grateful for your incredible support during this challenging time.” - *Tracy Smith, President, Farmington Valley Jewish Congregation – Emek Shalom*

“Because of the RRR Fund, we were able to serve hundreds of local families. The Fund was also critical in helping us transition to a safe environment for the holidays and beyond.” - *Rabbi Yosef Wolvovsky, The Harold Rothstein Chabad Jewish Center, Glastonbury*

“Thank you for your ability to pull together all the parts of our community! We are so appreciative.” - *Rabbi Jeff Glickman, Temple Beth Hillel, South Windsor*

“We really appreciate the Jewish Federation and the Jewish Community Foundation for the financial help in these difficult times.” - *Barry Goldberg, Treasurer, Temple Beth Torah*

“I'm overwhelmed with gratitude. Thank you to the Foundation and the Federation and all the donors.” - *Jill Dulitsky, President, Temple Sinai*

“Thank you so much for this extremely generous grant. We have been working very hard at maintaining strong spiritual and social relationships with our members and the community during this pandemic. Our continued partnership with the Federation and the Foundation enables the Jewish community to remain healthy and strong.” - *Shayne Green Kesler, President, Young Israel of West Hartford*