



Report of the Allocations Committee

What does the Federation's Allocation Committee do?

The Federation's annual campaign collects money from the community. There are many community agencies who need money. How does the Federation decide how much is allocated to each agency? The Federation must responsibly allocate the funds and monitor how those funds are used. It is the job of the Allocations Committee to recommend to the Board of Directors how to disburse the campaign funds.

How does the Allocations Committee make the disbursement decisions?

Working on the Federation Allocations Committee is a huge commitment for its members – a huge time commitment and a huge responsibility. The Committee is acutely aware of its fiscal responsibility to the members of the community who donate to the campaign. The Committee meets with each agency that is requesting funds, examines financial statements and budgets and reviews all aspects of the functioning of that agency. This review includes looking at the Federation itself – its budget and plans for the coming year. The Committee also must ensure that the requested funds will advance the Strategic objectives of the Federation. Once the Committee has gathered all the information from each agency, it is ready to decide how to recommend allocating the available funds. The Allocations committee then passes its recommendations on to the Federation's Board of Directors which makes the final decision.

Who are the members of the Allocation Committee?

The members of the Allocations Committee are: Lorraine Cohen, Mike Dressler, Howard Eisenberg, Sandy Morris, Paul Roth, Lorne Rochweg and Peter Smurlick. I want to express my thanks to the committee for its hard work. It involved many long ZOOM meetings this year which, in itself is taxing. I am grateful for their dedication to helping the community.

Based on feedback from the community, the Federation Board has adopted a new Strategic Plan for the next few years. This has led to new priorities for funding. For example, there will be a new emphasis on fighting anti-semitism, on security, on programming for teenagers and for young adults and families.

The Allocations Committee has initiated a new direction for allocating funds this year. Where before we were only funding "agencies", we will begin funding projects and programs for this coming year. This new direction will be gradually phased in and the base funding for agencies will remain. By funding in this new way, we can expand our reach to projects that may be worthwhile for the community but are not necessarily a project of our established "beneficiaries". By funding projects, we are also more able to monitor and be accountable for the disbursement of funds.

We are heading into a time of uncertainty for our campaign. We are hopeful that the community will be able to reach the same goal as this past year; however, we must be prepared in the event that our goal is not achieved. We are therefore only allocating funds for the first half of the year and plan to reevaluate our allocations mid-year. We recognize that this makes it difficult for our beneficiaries to budget but we must be realistic and responsible. I have confidence that the goal of a strong, vibrant Jewish community is what we all want and that the campaign will be successful so that we can meet the needs of all of our agencies. Please check the next pages to learn about the way in which funds will be allocated this coming year (July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021)

Working on the Federation Allocations Committee is very fulfilling. It is exciting to get to know the breadth of all of the amazing things that are going on in our Jewish community. We work behind the scenes but our work is vital to maintaining the trust of the community that its donations to the campaign are being responsibly spent.

Jacki Levin, Chair

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Annual Campaign

2017	\$1,025,949	
2018	\$1,114,595	+ 8.64%
2019	\$1,201,810	+ 7.82%
2020	\$ 1,273,993	+ 6.00%

Campaign Cabinet

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Campaign 2020 Allocations Report

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

Campaign 2021 Projected *Allocations

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Beth Tikvah	\$15,600	\$21,000
Hamilton Jewish Family Services	\$222,300	\$269,800
Hamilton Hebrew Academy	\$170,000	\$172,500
Kehila Heschel Community Day School	\$50,000	\$64,800
Temple Anshe Sholom Afternoon School	\$25,000	\$25,000
Beth Jacob Afternoon School	\$25,000	\$22,000
Beth Jacob / Anshe Sholom Joint Program	\$1,000	-
Hamilton Hebrew High	\$10,000	\$10,250
Hillel McMaster	\$10,000	-
Hamilton Jewish Community Centre	\$135,000	\$174,095
Camp Kadimah	\$10,000	-
Vaad HaKashrut	\$8,500	\$8,200
Administration and Campaign	\$415,596	\$315,813
Programming	\$172,688	\$122,842
Hamilton Jewish News	\$35,000	\$33,050
Shalom Village	\$15,000	\$15,000
Designated Gifts	\$45,000	\$61,500
UIA NCR	\$137,332	\$65,000
BBYO - Youth Organization	-	\$20,000
Mikvah	-	\$2,750
Contingency	-	\$2,400
TOTAL	\$1,468,016	\$1,406,000

*results may vary according to campaign results