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Building partnerships.

Inspiring collaborations.

Planning for the future.

Generating the funds.

BOARD CHAIR AND CEO REPORT

The second year of the pandemic was one of both challenges and opportunities. In response to the changing needs of our community, we have updated our strategic priorities to guide us through 2025.

At the same time, we reached more people in more places, as our impact extended beyond our local community and partnership region to address crises across the province, in Ukraine, and around the world.

The generosity shown by our community this past year was humbling and inspiring.

Under the leadership of campaign chair, Lana Marks Pulver, the 2021 Annual Campaign generated \$9.52 million, including Annual Campaign contributions, corporate partnerships, and support for community initiatives. Another \$1.73 million by the end of the fiscal year, which includes additional support for special projects, community recovery, emergency relief, and donors' multi-year commitments to our international partners was generated.

For the past four years the Jewish Community Foundation has benefitted tremendously from the leadership of Diane Switzer, chair of the Foundation's Governors. The Foundation closed the year with \$76 million in assets under management and oversaw disbursements from funds resulting in nearly \$3.6 million, which has positively impacted a myriad of charitable organizations and services.

The Foundation also announced the establishment of a new \$1 million endowment fund to support Temple Sholom. A very generous Temple Sholom member family seeded the fund and chose to establish it at the Foundation because they value the professional fund management and strong governance that the Foundation brings. The family used their philanthropy to inspire others to give.

Our leadership and staff are key factors in our continued success.

Our work and our shared impact received new recognition this year, and we were very proud to welcome The Honourable Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of BC, as Honorary Patron of our organization.

Alex Cristall, concluded his two-year term as board chair, and we want to thank him for his monumental achievements during a crucial time for our community. We are truly grateful to him for his service and are delighted that he is staying on as immediate past chair.

We welcomed a new board chair, Candace Kwinter, who also serves on the Aliyah, Antisemitism, and Unity of the Jewish People committees for our trusted international partner, the Jewish Agency for Israel.

Our Chief Executive Officer, Ezra Shanken, was offered and accepted a new contract through 2027, providing ongoing professional leadership stability.

In addition, our Senior Management Team developed and implemented a set of performance values that now guide the day-to-day work of our staff and leadership: Caring, Excellence, Collaboration, and Efficiency.

As a Federation, we have a unique vantage point.

We see the bigger picture and bring to bear our strengths in the areas of community planning, convening partners, inspiring collaborations, and raising funds to meet community needs. We were very proud to see the culmination of five years of convening and collaboration come together as our partner, Jewish Family Services (JFS), opened The Kitchen. This central hub for JFS's food security programming is the outcome of the Food Security Task Force that our organizations jointly led, which in turn was an outcome of the Affordability Summit we co-presented with key partners.

We are deeply grateful for the ways in which our community continued to come together, which enabled us to draw upon the new strengths we had forged throughout the pandemic.

Our Community Recovery Task Force, chaired by Risa Levine, continued its work and we distributed additional funds to support the longer term needs of community organizations. This fiscal year alone, the task force recommended the distribution of more than \$1 million, bringing the total to over \$1.7 million.

We moved forward in several other key areas of strategic importance to the community, including the launch of an exciting new climate change initiative with our partners, the establishment of a mental health committee that developed a new community strategy, and more.

In our partnership region of the Upper Galilee Panhandle, we are working with partners to explore the establishment of an entrepreneur centre to provide opportunities to underprivileged youth that will ultimately help break the cycle of poverty in the region. When violence broke out in Israel last spring, we saw a wave of antisemitism sweep across Canada. We opened a fund to help victims of terror through Jewish Federations of Canada – UIA and worked with our advocacy agent, the Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs, to call on the Canadian government to convene an Emergency Summit on Antisemitism.

In last year's Annual Report we were proud to share news of the BC government's \$25 million contribution to the first phase of the proposed JCC site redevelopment. This year, we are proud to report that the Federal government has promised their support, too.

Together with the JCC and King David High School, we also introduced JWest—the new name for the proposed JCC site redevelopment project. JWest is a vision for more than just a new JCC. It represents the single biggest project in the history of our Jewish community—one which will benefit not only our community but the entire city and region in all its diversity.

If the pandemic has taught us anything, it is that we can never be sure what challenges may lie ahead next. It has also shown that we—together with our partners and our donors—are ready to take on whatever comes next.

The strength of this community is what inspires our future.







Ezra S. Shanken
Chief Executive Officer

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2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

The strategic priorities of our Jewish Federation reflect the priorities of our community.

As the needs of our community evolve and grow, we employ our collaborative community planning processes to revise and update our priorities in lockstep with those of the community.

The planning process that resulted in the 2025 Strategic Priorities was carried out by a working group that included representation from Jewish Federation and the Jewish Community Foundation.

Members included Bruce Cohen, Jessica Forman, Candace Kwinter, Lisa Pullan and Kyra Morris.

For more information on our strategic priorities, please visit jewishvancouver.com/priorities

LOCAL COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

- + Critical Social Services
- + Food Security
- + Camperships
- + Program Subsidies
- + Mental Health Support for Adults
- + Jewish Education
- + Day Schools
- + PJ Library
- + Part-Time Jewish Education
- + Early Childhood Education
- + Community Building
- + Emerging and Underserved Communities
- + Community Security
- + Infrastructure
- + Arts and Culture
- + Diverse offerings that promote connections
- + Seniors Engagement
- + A New Planning Strategy for Aging Adults
- + Youth and Young Adults
- + Next Generation Programming
- + Child and Youth Mental Health
- + Campus Programming

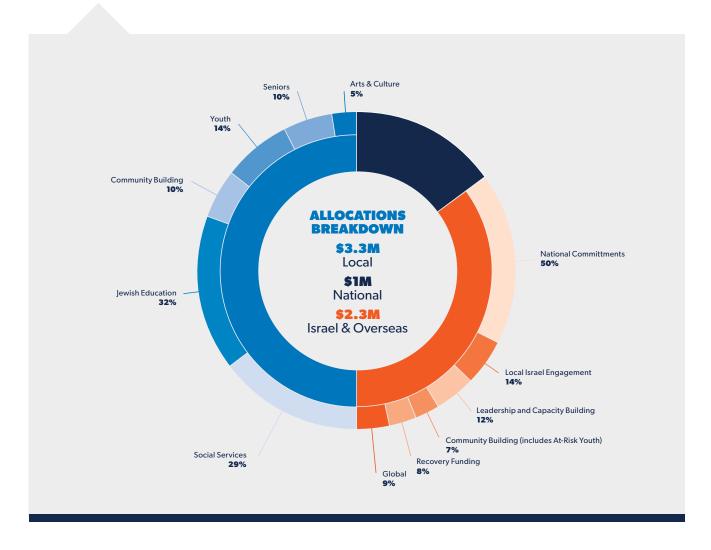
ISRAEL AND GLOBAL PRIORITIES

- + Critical Social Services
- + Food Security
- + Mental Health Support for Children and At-Risk Youth
- + Frail Elderly in the Former Soviet Union
- + Building Future Leadership Capacity
- + Community Building
- + Strengthening Jewish
 Communities in Need Overseas
- + Establishing a "Gesher Chai" Connection with Khabarovsk
- + Israel Programs and Follow Up Engagement
- + Israel Program Scholarships
- + Contemporary Israeli Arts and Culture
- + Beit Vancouver Network
- + Communal Infrastructure that Builds Resilience and Wellbeing

\$15.3M TOTAL ALLOCATIONS + DISTRIBUTIONS SNAPSHOT

Over the last few years, Jewish Federation has focused on diversifying funding streams, allowing organizations to receive funding from multiple Federation sources beyond their Annual Campaign allocations, to address ongoing and evolving community needs.

\$6.6M 2020 Federation Annual Campaign Allocations*





\$3.6M

Distributions from funds at the Jewish Community Foundation



\$1.1M

Community Recovery Fund Distributions (COVID-19)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT GRANTS

THIS PAST YEAR WE DISTRIBUTED:

\$2,000 TO A SALTSPRING ISLAND GRASSROOTS GROUP

...to support them in organizing a Rosh Hashannah gathering. The event included an informal prayer service, blowing of the shofar, children's arts and crafts activities and a holiday meal. Approximately 40 families attended the outdoor event.



\$1.4M

Emergency Relief Distributions



\$2.6M

Special Project Funding Distributions



PROVIDING CONSISTENT AND PREDICTABLE FUNDING

Jewish Federation provides funding to our 35 partner agencies through our commitment to a two-year allocations cycle. This year, being the second year of our two-year allocations cycle, we were able to guarantee the same level of funding to all our partner agencies.

\$3,228,605 LOCAL FUNDING BREAKDOWN BY ENVELOPE

| SOCIAL SERVICES | \$939,915 |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Basic Resources | \$377,000 |
| Core Grant | \$95,000 |
| Counselling | \$91,500 |
| Employment Services | \$34,000 |
| Housing Coordinator | \$56,000 |
| Immigrant Financial Aid | \$28,350 |
| Inclusion Services | \$34,685 |
| JCC Childcare subsidies | \$9,080 |
| JCC Program Subsidies | \$38,800 |
| Mental Health Services | \$55,000 |
| Settlement and Imigration | \$20,000 |
| Low Cost Counselling | \$9,500 |
| Tikva Housing | \$73,000 |
| Yaffa Housing Society | \$18,000 |

| JEWISH EDUCATION \$1,0 | 38,700 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Classroom Assistants | \$13,500 |
| Day Schools | \$816,000 |
| RJDS Community Program | \$9,500 |
| Day School Special Needs | \$70,000 |
| JCC Education and Israel Engagement | \$17,700 |
| PJ Library | \$25,000 |
| Supplementary Schools | \$87,000 |

| COMMUNITY BUILDING | \$324,425 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Burquest | \$22,000 |
| East Side Jews | \$5,000 |
| JCC Core Grant | \$172,000 |
| JCC Community Building | \$69,500 |
| Peretz Cenre | \$20,000 |
| White Rock Jewish Community | \$26,425 |
| Connect Me In | \$9,500 |

| \$460,700 |
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| \$60,000 |
| \$226,400 |
| \$64,300 |
| \$25,000 |
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| SENIORS | 304,760 |
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| Home Care | \$22,000 |
| Jewish Family Services — Seniors | \$94,750 |
| JCC — Seniors | \$48,700 |
| Kehila — Seniors Wellness | \$35,250 |
| Kehila — Food Delivery | \$7,560 |
| Jewish Seniors Alliance — Advocacy | \$7,500 |
| Jewish Seniors Alliance — Peer Counselling | \$22,000 |
| L'Chaim Adult Day Care | \$59,000 |
| Richmond Bus | \$8,000 |
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| JCC Cultural Arts | \$40,000 |
|--|--------------------|
| Jewish Film Festival | \$10,000 |
| Jewish Museum Outreach | \$25,300 |
| Community Archives | \$17,250 |
| Rothstein Theatre | \$15,000 |
| Vancouver Holocaust Education — Commerative Programs | Centre \$13,000 |
| Holocaust Symposia | \$12,000 |
| Pedagogical Resources | \$3,000 |
| Waldman Library | \$24,555 |
| | |

\$160,105

ARTS AND CULTURE

Note: funds allocated in the 2021/2022 fiscal year were generated in the 2020 Annual Campaign.

INVESTING STRATEGICALLY IN OUR COMMUNITY

Jewish Federation's unique vantage point allows us to take a broad view of our community and strategically invest in initiatives that meet its diverse and evolving needs.

ECE TUITION SUBSIDIES

Finding safe, affordable childcare is a challenge for working parents across Metro Vancouver. Accessing childcare immersed in Jewish culture and traditions is even more difficult. To support lower income families in enrolling their children in a centre of their choice, this past year we launched a new childcare tuition subsidy program with the generous support of the Mel and Geri Davis Charitable Trust. All four Jewish childcare providers, the JCC, Richmond Jewish Day School, Vancouver Hebrew Academy and Vancouver Talmud Torah, participated in the program. Fifteen families representing 16 children were able to attend due to the available financial subsidies.

FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

With one in five Jewish children living in poverty in the Lower Mainland, food security is a key strategic priority for Jewish Federation. The added impact of COVID-19 accelerated the need for an expanded food security program and provided an opportunity to develop customized programs directed toward children. This past year, we launched a collaborative program with the participation of Jewish Family Services, Kehila Society of Richmond, and Tikva Housing Society to address the needs of children and youth. With a generous gift from TD Bank matched by an anonymous donor, each organization has designed its own program in response. To date, over 500 children have benefitted from these programs providing them with access to healthy and nutritious snacks.

INTERFAITH LIAISON

This past year, we partnered with the Rabbinical Association of Vancouver (RAV) to design and fund an interfaith liaison position to provide a consistent voice and presence at the many tables at which faith communities gather. The position keeps the RAV informed of emerging trends and concerns and paves the way for enduring relationships with other clergy.

With funding support from the Diamond Foundation and Ron Stern, Rabbi Bregman was hired for this role. Since his start, new and beneficial relationships have been formed with other faith communities. One of the most innovative things to come out of this initiative is the formation of a group of clergy and Indigenous leaders who call themselves "the other people". Now presenting at high schools across the Lower Mainland, the other people are working to raise awareness and acceptance of the diversity of faith-based communities.



COMMUNITY RECOVERY TASK FORCE

The pandemic has affected people of every age and socio-economic status, impacted the operations of all our community organizations, and in turn risked the vitality of our community as a whole.

In response, our Federation established the Community Recovery Task Force in July 2020. The task force, chaired by Risa Levine, was composed of experienced and respected community leaders. In the more than 18 months that followed, their knowledge of the community, their ability to grapple with challenging and complex issues, and their strategic decisions about setting priorities and distributing the funds ensured that community organizations remained strong and resilient.

Initially, we had expected their work would be completed in one year. But, as the pandemic continued and community organizations had to adapt and adjust to the ever-changing landscape of pandemic restrictions, the task force adapted its approach and introduced new grant programs to respond to the changing needs.

"We wanted to balance meeting the immediate needs that have emerged as a result of the COVID-19 restrictions and seizing the opportunity to create change," said Risa Levine, chair of the task force.

To date the Community Recovery Task Force has distributed nearly \$1.71 million enabling community organizations to alleviate the impact of the pandemic. That includes the first round of distributions in January 2021 of \$594,000 to 21 community organizations and 13 synagogues to alleviate the financial stress of the pandemic. In June 2021, with summer camps able to operate but under strict public health guidelines, another \$106,000 was distributed to five summer camps and over 600 campers.

Recognizing that the pandemic could be an accelerator for

change, the task force sought to foster new, more collaborative and effective means of delivering programs and services.

To stimulate this process, three new grant streams were developed during the second year of the pandemic.

CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS - \$40,000

For community organizations to develop post-pandemic recovery plans by engaging in a planning process with the expertise of an external facilitator.

TRANSFORMATIONAL GRANTS - \$750,000

To encourage collaborations between organizations that foster innovative approaches to address new and emerging needs. The grants were intended to expand the scope of the programs and services they offer and increase the effectiveness and efficiency of their design and delivery.

TRANSITION GRANTS - \$225,000

To ease the way for organizations that had been receiving the federal wage subsidy, the task force created Transition Grants that bridged the gap and enabled organizations to re-establish their revenue streams

After more than a year and a half successfully steering the community through the pandemic, the task force wrapped up its core work and established a subcommittee to allocate any remaining community recovery funds.

THANK YOU!





























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STAFF Marcie Flom Shelley Rivkin

\$1.4 MILLION RAISED FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF

Our community and our Federation have a history of responding quickly and generously whenever and wherever disaster strikes. In a year where we responded to an unprecedented number of crises, we were also able to build new partnerships between communities, while providing relief to those in need.

We have always been able to respond quickly to international rescue and relief efforts because of our longstanding relationships with our trusted partners, the Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency, as we've seen in the case of Ukraine. The close to \$1 million (and growing) raised in just over a month, reached Ukrainians quickly, assisting with services ranging from emergency hotlines to temporary shelters to Aliyah. The funds reported here are for the 2021–22 fiscal year only, and community members are continuing to give through our Ukrainian Emergency Relief Fund.

What was new to our work this past year was the increased need for methods to distribute funds locally, effectively and efficiently, as the result of more severe weather events happening in our own backyard.

In response to the devastating floods that affected the Fraser Valley and the Nicola Valley regions, we undertook a flood relief campaign to ensure that the

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funding was directed strategically and that we were able to leverage the work of existing local organizations.

We engaged in a planning process with key social services agencies on the ground to best understand the needs of the communities affected. In partnerships ranging from the Guru Nanak Society to the Abbotsford Chamber of Commerce, we were able to respond to specific immediate needs while directing funds to address more

intermediate and long-term concerns at the same time.

This fiscal year, we opened eight emergency relief funds generating \$1.4 million in support of victims affected by natural disasters, COVID-19, terror attacks and war.





To address both the immediate and longer-term needs of those affected by the BC Floods, emergency relief funds were distributed to local organizations including Guru Nanak Society (top), First Nations Emergency Services Society (above), and Archway Community Services (right)



WELCOME TO OUR NEW JEWISH FUTURE: JWEST

JWest: A generational opportunity that will anchor the Jewish community on the West Coast of Canada. The vision is for JWest to reach far beyond the local Jewish community or residents of Vancouver, and provide much needed programs, services and amenities for people across the region.



SO, WHY JWEST?

Leading with a J, topped with a Star of David, the name JWest is emblematic of a value that the three partner organizations—the JCC, Jewish Federation, and King David High School—hold dear: planting for those who come after us. It is a vision for a new infrastructure of the heart, soul and spirit, reimagining Jewish life here, on the West Coast.









The traditional Jewish Tree of Life (etz chaim) inspired us to look to British Columbia's iconic Sitka Spruce, which starts from a tiny seed and grows stronger and taller as it reaches for the sky. This enduring symbol of growth represents the tremendous potential of this project and our community.

The higher we reach, the deeper our roots must be. The shared vision for this project and what it will mean to us, to our children, and to the generations that follow is rooted in extensive community consultation.

JWest will be the single biggest project in the history of our community, and we expect it to be a legacy for everyone.

JWest is expected to result in a new 200,000 square foot state-of-the-art multigenerational JCC with new childcare spaces, more services for seniors, an expanded space for the Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre, a new theatre and more. The new JCC is expected to continue to be a hub for more than 20 not-for-profit community organizations, as well as arts and cultural, aquatics, and fitness programs.

As part of phase two, King David High School is expected to move to a new, larger facility on the JWest site that will enable it to provide innovative academic programming options to even more students, securing its place as a leading-edge high school. With a playing field and all-day access to a full-size gymnasium, the school can fulfill its dream of providing first-class athletics and extra-curricular programming.



JWest is also expected to include residential towers that will be open to everyone and will include rental housing units offered at below market value.

As one of the lead partner organizations working to fulfill the shared vision of JWest, we know that we cannot make this vision a reality on our own.

From the start, the partners have acknowledged that JWest is a complex and ambitious project. It will take significant support from all levels of government, as well as from private donors, to bring it to life.

In April 2021, we were very pleased that the BC government committed \$25 million for a new Jewish Community Centre (JWest construction phase one), followed by the Federal government's commitment of an additional \$25 million in April 2022. We are deeply grateful for their support.

For more information, visit **JWestNow.com**.

JWest Marketing and Communications Committee: Rebecca Marstaller, Alvin Wasserman, Al Szajman



We gratefully acknowledge the support this project has received from the Government of British Columbia.

CONVENING OUR PARTNERS. FACILITATING COLLABORATIONS. PLANNING FOR COMMUNITY.

As the pandemic continued, Jewish Federation's unique strengths in bringing organizations together and facilitating collaborations became increasingly important. We deepened relationships with our partner agencies, stakeholders and community volunteers, and inspired innovative initiatives as we planned for the future, together.

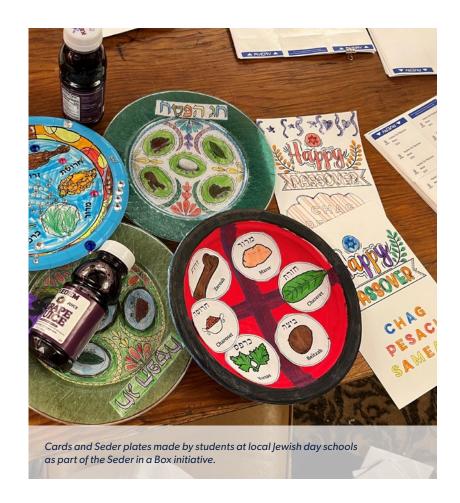
SENIORS INITIATIVES

The pandemic highlighted the evolving needs of seniors and reinforced the importance of finding new ways to maintain their community connections.

Our Seniors Services Committee's monthly meetings resulted in new, innovative, and collaborative projects, improved networking, and shared resources.

This past year, the committee organized two-holiday programs, Hanukkah gift baskets and a Seder in a Box, to ensure seniors had everything they needed to celebrate the holidays.

Over 500 seniors benefited from the Hanukkah gift baskets and enjoyed an online Hanukkah concert. The Seder in a Box initiative, co-sponsored with Chabad BC, enabled us to provide shmura matza to over 250 seniors along with seder plates and cards made by Jewish day school students, and all the necessary fixings for the seder plate.











ENGAGING IN THE CLIMATE CONVERSATION, JEWISHLY

Our planning and convening roles continued to expand the scope of our work and bring together new partners as we engaged in the climate change conversation as a community.

In response to the City of Vancouver's action plan on climate change, we brought together a group of professionals, subject matter experts, and volunteers interested in the issue to create a statement on climate change imbued with Jewish values.

As a result, we engaged Hazon, one of the leading Jewish organizations involved in environmental sustainability and proudly launched our climate change initiative in partnership with them in March 2022.

Twenty-six participants representing 13 different community organizations gathered to learn more about how their organization can contribute to change.

Participating organizations have formed their own green teams to identify activities or practices that can make a difference.

Participants have also been invited to be part of the Hazon seal of sustainability cohort. This group will meet monthly to share experiences and information and learn from experts in the field and other participating community organizations about how to contribute to environmental sustainability.

Participating organizations will also be given the opportunity to undergo an environmental audit with Hazon and apply for small green grants to implement some of the recommendations.



IMPACTFUL PARTNERSHIPS

Our impact is possible in large part because of the strength of our partnerships. We are proud to highlight some of the innovative initiatives from the 2021–22 fiscal year.

THE OTHER PEOPLE

The Other People initiative, spearheaded by Jewish Federation's interfaith liaison Rabbi Bregman, is a group of individuals representing Christianity, Islam, Buddhism, the Indigenous community, the Black community, and Judaism. Each of them has, at one point or another, been "the other person", the outsider, the one who was or is discriminated against in Canada. Their goal is to break down biases and prejudices by presenting their differences and shared experiences.

In the fall of 2021, The Other People kicked off their program with a hugely successful presentation to King David High School grade 11 and 12 students. After the session, 98% of participating students reported that they had a better understanding of the negative effects of discrimination on people who are different from themselves.

The Other People have also visited LA Matheson Secondary in Surrey, West Point Grey Academy, Saint Patrick Regional Secondary, and Salmon Arm Secondary, not only to share their experiences but to give students the opportunity to meet face to face with "other people".

THE EXTRA MILE CONTEST

This year we were proud to partner with Air Canada to give back to frontline workers. Thanks to Air Canada's generous sponsorship, staff at each of the five local day schools were invited to enter for a chance to win one of five free tickets anywhere in North America that Air Canada flies. Since the beginning of the pandemic, school staff have gone the extra mile for students, and together with Air Canada we were able to go the extra mile for them.

HERSCHEL, A GREAT SUMMER IN THE BAG

Knowing that young people in our community want to make an impact, we created an opportunity for them to support community recovery and help a summer camper simultaneously.



Thanks to the generous support of Herschel Supply Co. and PWC, when a young adult gave \$54 or more to community recovery last summer, they also sent a child to camp with a Herschel backpack full of essentials.





Above-right: Candace Kwinter with Ambassador of Canada to the UAE, Marcy Grossman

Right: Ezra Shanken with Food Security Task Force co-chairs Stan Shaw and Renée Katz, and JFS CEO Tanja Demajo at The Kitchen.





BERNARD PINSKY HONOURED WITH VPD COMMUNITY SAFETY AWARD

In May 2021, Bernard Pinsky, chair of our Community Security Advisory Committee was honoured by the Vancouver Police Department with the Jim and Vicki Chu Community Safety Leader Award. This award recognizes a citizen who has made outstanding contributions towards crime prevention and improving safety at the community and neighbourhood levels. It is also a testament to the exemplary leadership Bernard has shown in making our community a safer place.

MISSION TO THE UAE & ISRAEL

In February, our board chair, Candace Kwinter, took part in a mission to the United Arab Emirates for Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI) leadership. She then joined our CEO, Ezra Shanken, at the JAFI Board of Governors meetings in Israel. Beyond the excitement of being able to engage in our international work in person again, it was an important opportunity for our community to have representation at the global level.

JFS'S THE KITCHEN OPENS

In April 2021, Jewish Family Services (JFS) proudly opened The Kitchen, a multi-functional food hub and welcoming space offering life-skill learning opportunities through its community garden, in-house kitchen, and more. Over the past several years, we have worked closely with JFS on food security, which is one of our key strategic priorities for our community. Our organizations jointly led the Food Security Task Force, co-chaired by Stan Shaw and Renée Katz, from which the initial vision for The Kitchen arose.

There had never been a more important time for the launch of The Kitchen. When COVID initially hit, community organizations reported that they were seeing a four-fold increase in the need for meal and grocery delivery, and this increased level of need has become the new normal. Food insecurity is an increasingly complex issue that needs an increasingly sophisticated approach, which The Kitchen is providing.

Mazel Tov to Stan Shaw and Renée Katz on receiving the BC 2021 Medal of Good Citizenship Award for their work on food security.

ADDRESSING NEW AND EVOLVING COMMUNITY NEEDS

With our Jewish community continuing to grow and spread across the Lower Mainland, Jewish Federation is committed to making it easier for people who live in the regional communities to connect with Jewish community life. Through our outreach programs, Connect Me In and PJ Library, we are meeting community members where they are to build Jewish connections that are meaningful to them.



10 YEARS OF PJ LIBRARY

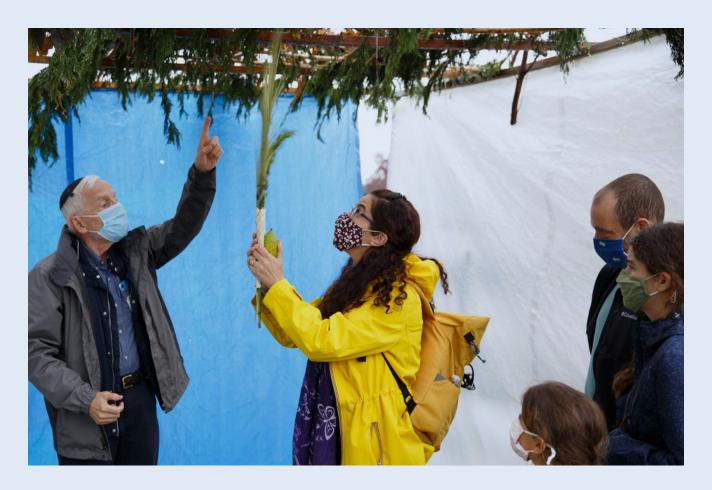
PJ Library continued to serve young families with 1,050 local children aged six months to eight years old receiving the gift of high-quality, age-appropriate Jewish children's books on a monthly basis. In addition, 260 children aged nine to 11 years old received Jewish-themed chapter books and engaged in an online community of their peers through PJ Our Way, a program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation.

We continued to provide resources for families to "do Jewish" at home with our Summer Mitzvah Pack sent out to over 125 families and containing eight distinct chesed activities. In the fall, we returned to in-person programming for families, starting with the Ride the Rosh Hashanah Train event in Stanley Park and

other events throughout the Lower Mainland. With a special grant from Prizmah, we used a series of programs to introduce families to day school education. We also continued to provide virtual parent-only programming, including the well-received 'Let's Talk Neurodiversity' event, co-sponsored with two of our partner agencies.

CONNECTING WITH THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IN ABBOTSFORD

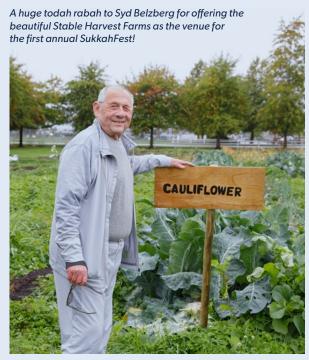
When flooding hit the Fraser and Nicola Valleys, our community engagement team worked hard to connect with community members across the affected areas to ensure their safety and well-being. Through this outreach we were able to connect with more Jewish families in the Abbotsford area and supported their first Jewish community event, which attracted 10 families and demonstrated the desire of our regional communities to connect to Jewish life and the positive impact of our community outreach programs, like Connect Me In.



SUKKAHFEST: BUILDING COMMUNITY FROM THE GROUND UP

This year Connect Me In continued to build relationships in Langley. Graciously hosted by Syd Belzberg and the Stable Harvest Farm family, the Langley community hosted their first ever SukkahFest. This sold-out event was the perfect opportunity for 50 new families to meet and build community while celebrating Sukkot together.

Monika Schwartzman, a Langley community member had this to say: "Stable Harvest Farm is the dream and vision of Syd Belzberg, a member of the Jewish community who expects nothing in return. Mr. Belzberg wants nothing more than to supply those in need with fresh, organic produce. It is the perfect venue for SukkahFest, as it provides inspiration to the Langley Jewish community and the opportunity for us to grow like the produce, one seed at a time."





ENGAGING THE NEXT GENERATION

Jewish Federation is committed to engaging young Jewish adults in ways that are meaningful for them. With innovative programs like Axis, we offer Millennials and Gen Z a platform to get involved and grow their leadership skills.

AXIS

This year, our programming focused on re-engaging young adults as pandemic restrictions eased. Axis reconvened meetings with representatives from various community organizations to collaborate and create a support system for the young adult community.

The Axis Steering Committee demonstrated its ability to adapt quickly to changes in restrictions and respond to the current needs and comfort levels of Axis members. The committee engaged young adults in a variety of in-person outdoor and fitness activities to help members reconnect and rebuild their networking skills.

The committee also brought back one of Axis's most popular annual events, its Hanukkah party in partnership with JNF Future and generously sponsored by Congregation Beth Israel and Temple Sholom, co-hosting a hugely successful casino night.

BEN GURION SOCIETY

The Ben Gurion Society (BGS) is a national donor recognition program for young professionals who support our community through the Federation Annual Campaign with a gift of \$1,000 or more, and it continued to grow under the leadership of Becky Glotman and Yael Segal. The reboot of this program has proved very popular and now has 40 active members. This year, BGS kicked off the Annual Campaign with a cocktail party generously hosted by Jody and Harvey Dales, which saw over 50 attendees compromised of current

members and prospects. BGS also held several successful online talks, including a robust discussion on antisemitism with Rabbi Baitelman of Chabad Richmond.

This year also saw BGS partner with Hillel BC to create mentorship opportunities for current and graduating students across campuses in BC. This program, the brainchild of Brent Davis, helped support students in finding mentors who could provide them with insight into the career of their choice.



Through my work in the community, I realized a lot of individuals are happy to provide general guidance and mentorship but people without the proper connections might never get an opportunity to seek out the right type of advice. BGS was a good place to do this because of the demographic and objective of the group."

BRENT DAVIS, BGS MEMBER

ISRAEL AND GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

Jewish Federation is dedicated to improving the lives of Jews in Israel and around the world and building connections with our own community. With the continued impact of COVID-19, communities like our partnership region in the Galilee Panhandle, which face geographic and socioeconomic challenges, have become even more dependent on our support of much-needed educational and social services programs.

FOOD SECURITY

There has been a worrying increase in the depth of financial hardship and food insecurity among Israeli households amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

This has been amplified in Israel's peripheral communities, such as our partnership region, where opportunities to secure well-paying, stable employment is low, and only got harder during the pandemic. The region reported an increase of close to 20% in requests for assistance from families and individuals who cannot afford basic daily staples.

To assist with food security in the region, Jewish Federation has directed \$90,000 in allocations to the Mevo'ot Hermon and Galil Elyon municipalities and to Kiyrat Shmona to support direct, monthly food distribution, with additional deliveries on Jewish holidays.

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN

Teachers have reported a rise in emotional and behavioural issues in their students. The psychological impact of a year of online learning, coupled with a dramatic increase in domestic and sexual violence during the same period, has resulted in many children in our partnership region being unable to sit and

concentrate in class or communicate effectively with peers face to face.

In response to this alarming trend, municipalities are facilitating collaborations between organizations in education and the welfare system to generate a coordinated approach to support students who suffer from anxiety and trauma.

Jewish Federation distributed \$151,000 of support for mental health recovery in our partnership region. Funds were directed to municipal organizations to enhance services, and to the Community Stress Prevention Centre and the Golan Galil Rape Crisis Centre to hold lectures and recruit and facilitate support groups for principals of elementary schools to help them better address this issue.

INNOVATIVE CARE FOR ISOLATED, HOMEBOUND SENIORS IN THE FSU

Jewish seniors in the former Soviet Union (FSU), are among the world's poorest and most isolated Jews. The pandemic exacerbated their situation by threatening to paralyze the inperson services offered by our international relief partner the Joint Distribution Committee (JDC).

With the support of lewish Federation, the IDC implemented

the innovative technology, JOINTECH, to improve services to isolated seniors during the pandemic. User-friendly smartphones and virtual programs were given to homebound elderly, with apps to help monitor and manage their needs, and expert lectures available over the phone. This use of this technology has long-term strategic benefits for the JDC and the people they serve, supporting their mission to care for the most impoverished, vulnerable Jewish seniors in eastern Russia and across the former Soviet Union more efficiently and cost-effectively.

From Kazan and Ekaterinburg in the Urals-Volga region to the Far Eastern city of Khabarovsk (seven hours away by plane) and everywhere in between, Jewish Federation's commitment ensured lifesaving care for **6,159** elderly Jews:

- » 347 elderly received medicine
- » 620 elderly received 144,995 hours of homecare
- » 134 medical equipment loan services were provided
- » 11 elderly participated in Warm Homes 2
- » 436 elderly received one-time emergency assistance
- » 211 elderly visited day centres
- » 119 elderly received minor repair services within their homes, thanks to volunteers

VIRTUAL YOM HAZIKARON AND YOM HA'ATZMAUT

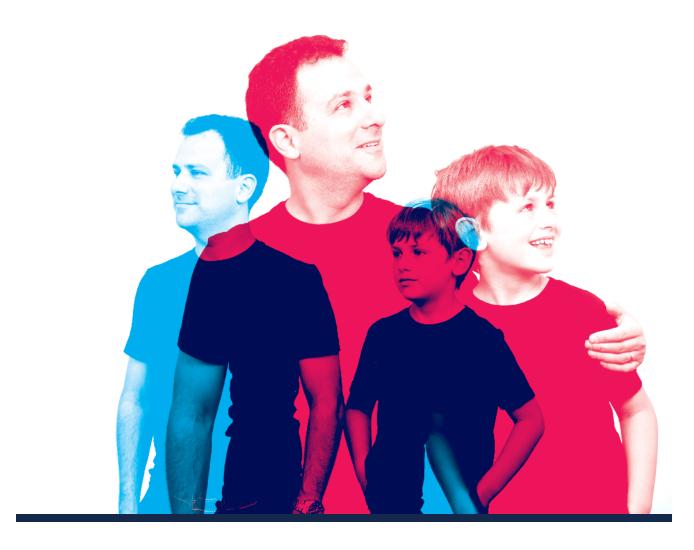
Although we could not be together in person and connect on these very emotional and meaningful days, we were still able to mark the occasions as a community.

On Yom HaZikaron, 350 households from across BC attended a virtual ceremony to honour Israel's fallen soldiers and victims of hostile acts. Bereaved families took part in the ceremony's readings and gave a "community hug" to those who lost their loved ones.

Hosting a virtual Yom Ha'atzmaut celebration for the second year in a row did not prevent our dedicated Yom Ha'azmaut Committee and staff from producing a meaningful celebration of Israel's 73rd Independence Day. The celebration focused on enhancing and strengthening our community's connections to Israel and what it means to be part of a solid and unique Jewish community. Over 700 households enjoyed the two local emcees, Israeli dance performances by talented youth and teens, heartfelt anthems performed by the Vancouver Talmud Torah and Richmond Jewish Day School choirs, and young children who interviewed Israeli artists online.



STRENGTHENED BY WHERE WINSPIRED BY WHERE WE CAN GO.



GENERATING THE RESOURCES: \$11.25M RAISED FOR COMMUNITY

Our unique position as the central planning and convening organization for our local Jewish community enables us to act decisively when generating the financial resources needed to address the current, emerging and future needs of our community. Over the past several years, we have worked to diversify the ways in which we raise and distribute funds to provide more opportunities for community organizations to access the funding that they need.

Donors who give through the Annual Campaign exert the power of collective giving, helping thousands of people served by dozens of partner organizations and supported by Jewish Federation, locally, nationally, in our partnership region in Israel, and around the world.

A key theme of the 2021 Annual Campaign centred on gratitude; leveraging opportunities to express appreciation through every interaction. We want to thank our volunteers for the gifts of their time and dedication, donors who continued to give generously, and our partner agencies, who worked cohesively with each other and Jewish Federation through COVID, ensuring we could deliver far more, more quickly, than most other not-for-profit organizations in the greater community.

As the pandemic continued to linger, and with many community members still dealing with pronounced issues, our aim was to continue to support their increased needs as we collectively navigated an uncertain future and planned for reopening and recovery.

We sought to maintain the strong performance and donor support that has been the hallmark of the Annual Campaign since its inception. Time and again community members have been inspired to give, and to give Jewishly. Knowing that recovery is a process that occurs over many years, we asked donors to increase or maintain their combined giving level from the prior

year, when they supported both the campaign and community recovery. Many chose to do that, setting a new benchmark in Annual Campaign fundraising in 2021 when we surpassed the \$9 million mark for the first time.

Under the leadership of Lana Marks Pulver, the 2021 Federation Annual Campaign generated \$11.25 million for our community by the end of the fiscal year, summarized as follows:

\$9.52 MILLIONANNUAL CAMPAIGN

Includes Annual Campaign contributions, corporate partnerships, and support for community initiatives.

\$1.73 MILLIONADDITIONAL SUPPORT

Includes additional support for special projects, community recovery, emergency relief, and donors' multi-year commitments to our international partners.

During the campaign period, as a natural disaster struck our province, our Jewish community responded generously once again, stepping up once more and raising over \$388,000 in additional funds for BC Flood Relief.

\$2.2 MILLIONSPECIAL PROJECTS

(INCLUDED IN \$11.25M ANNUAL CAMPAIGN TOTAL)

Jewish Federation works with community partners and donors to meet high priority needs in our local community and in our partnership region in Israel.

In the 2021–2022 fiscal year, donors supported a wide range of projects including Jewish education, food security, affordable housing, PJ Library, and mental health. As our community recovers and reopens, we learned that COVID-19 created many new needs and challenges, which, thanks to our donors' continued support and generosity, we will be able to meet.

As always, Jewish Federation will continue to work with donors to generate special project funding to meet high priority needs outside of the local allocations process of the Federation Annual Campaign.



JSprout participant, an after-school program designed to introduce unaffiliated families to basic Jewish concepts organized around the holidays. Jsprouts is funded by the generous support of donors through special projects.



Jewish Federation gratefully acknowledges its corporate supporters:



















JEWISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREATER VANCOUVER

Managing assets of over \$76 million and over 360 endowment funds, the Jewish Community Foundation, the endowment program of the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver, plays an important role in the long-term financial health of the Jewish community, serving as the centre of philanthropy and legacy giving.



This year was marked by growth for the Jewish Community Foundation, with more assets under management, more endowment funds managed, and more funding distributed through the Unrestricted Grant Program than the previous year.

The Foundation distributed \$3.6 million from funds to support a broad range of organizations, programs and services. This funding is critical to maintaining the continuity of important services provided by the charitable organizations on which so many community members rely.



As the nimblest of the Foundation's grant programs, the Unrestricted Grant Program allows charitable organizations to access funding to undertake new initiatives, launch new programs, and address new and emerging needs in the community. It also provides an important opportunity for organizations to acquire funding for innovative, startup, and capital projects.

The Jewish Community Foundation enables fund holders to make a lasting impact with their giving. With an eye to the future, the Foundation takes a long view approach with its investment strategy, ensuring we have a strong and stable community for generations to come.



\$3.6
MILLION+
DISTRIBUTED
from funds at the Jewish
Community Foundation

FINANCIALS

Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver Condensed Statement of Financial Position and Operations

MARCH 31, 2022, WITH COMPARATIVE INFORMATION FOR 2021

| STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION | GENERAL FUND | FOUNDATION FUND | 2022 TOTAL | 2021 TOTAL |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|
| THANGAET GOTTON | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Assets | | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | |
| Cash | 14,529,954 | 1,360,274 | 15,890,228 | 12,684,952 |
| Pledges receivable | 1,908,472 | _ | 1,908,472 | 3,678,771 |
| Other receivables | 116,636 | 613,929 | 730,565 | 1,378,536 |
| Interfund advances | (1,576,350) | 1,576,350 | _ | _ |
| Prepaid expenses | 51,071 | _ | 51,071 | 51,599 |
| | 15,029,783 | 3,550,553 | 18,580,336 | 17,793,858 |
| Non-current assets: | | | | |
| State of Israeli Bonds, at amortized cost | _ | 435,138 | 435,138 | 435,138 |
| Investments, at fair value | _ | 73,784,660 | 73,784,660 | 69,212,459 |
| Tangible capital assets | 310,407 | _ | 310,407 | 362,903 |
| | 310,407 | 74,219,798 | 74,530,205 | 70,010,500 |
| TOTAL | 15,340,190 | 77,770,351 | 93,110,541 | 87,804,358 |
| Liabilities & Net Assets | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | |
| Payables and accruals | 5,607,096 | 369,451 | 5,976,547 | 5,005,397 |
| Grants and allocations payable | 2,209,660 | _ | 2,209,660 | 2,209,660 |
| Due to other charitable entities | 1,014,273 | 1,507,209 | 2,521,482 | 2,532,050 |
| Deferred revenue | 3,325,216 | _ | 3,325,216 | 3,182,924 |
| | 12,156,245 | 1,876,660 | 14,032,905 | 12,930,031 |
| Net Assets | 3,183,945 | 75,893,691 | 79,077,636 | 74,874,327 |
| TOTAL | 15,340,190 | 77,770,351 | 93,110,541 | 87,804,358 |

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| THANCIAL I OSITION | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Revenue | | | | |
| Annual Campaign Pledges | 8,740,120 | _ | 8,740,120 | 8,570,648 |
| Contributions | | 5,763,464 | 5,763,464 | 2,861,296 |
| | 8,740,120 | 5,763,464 | 14,503,584 | 11,431,944 |
| Miscellaneous donations, grants | | | | |
| & other income | 4,985,996 | 395,454 | 5,381,450 | 5,290,425 |
| | 13,726,116 | 6,158,918 | 19,885,034 | 16,722,369 |
| Investment Income, net | 64,630 | 3,549,726 | 3,614,356 | 13,563,424 |
| | 13,790,746 | 9,708,644 | 23,499,390 | 30,285,793 |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Operating | 1,099,889 | 254,319 | 1,354,208 | 977,129 |
| Fundraising | 1,982,036 | 381,478 | 2,363,514 | 2,043,940 |
| Grants and allocations | 12,530,264 | 2,816,399 | 15,346,663 | 12,100,599 |
| Jewish Community Hub costs | 231,696 | _ | 231,696 | _ |
| | 15,843,885 | 3,452,196 | 19,296,081 | 15,121,668 |
| - | | | | |
| Excess of revenues over expenditures and allocations | (2,053,139) | 6,256,448 | 4,203,309 | 15,164,125 |
| Net Assets, beginning of year | 4,432,707 | 70,441,620 | 74,874,327 | 59,710,202 |
| Interfund Transfers | 804,377 | (804,377) | _ | _ |
| Net Assets, end of year | 3,183,945 | 75,893,691 | 79,077,636 | 74,874,327 |

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IN RECOGNITION OF OUR PARTNERS

Jewish Federation is committed to providing stable and reliable financial resources for our partner agencies through diverse sources to meet current, emerging and future needs. The following agencies receive support through the Federation Annual Campaign, our community's central fundraising initiative.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Jewish Family Services Tikva Housing Society Yaffa Housing Society

SENIOR SERVICES

Jewish Seniors Alliance Kehila Society of Richmond L'Chaim Adult Day Centre

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Burquest Jewish Community Association

Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver

Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver

Peretz Centre for Secular lewish Culture

White Rock/South Surrey Jewish Community Centre

YOUTH

Camp Hatikvah
Camp Solomon Schechter
Habonim-Dror Camp Miriam
Hillel BC

JEWISH EDUCATION

Supplementary (Part-Time) Programs:

Beth Israel Hebrew School Beth Tikvah Hebrew School Har El/North Shore Hebrew School Or Shalom Religious School Peretz Centre for Secular Jewish

Regional Communities Hebrew School

Schara Tzedeck Supplementary School

Temple Sholom Religious School Torah High

White Rock/South Surrey Jewish Community Centre

Day Schools:

Culture

King David High School Richmond Jewish Day School Shalhevet Girls High School Vancouver Hebrew Academy Vancouver Talmud Torah

ARTS AND CULTURE

Jewish Museum and Archives of BC Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre

Vancouver Jewish Film Centre

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PJ Library family enjoying the Challabake event in partnership with Vancouver Talmud Torah

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