



ARLENE COGEN



Arlene Cogen is an experienced philanthropic leadership consultant who works closely with professional advisors, nonprofits and their clients to foster deep relationships, engage the next generation and make a lasting legacy through leadership and philanthropy.

As a Certified Financial Planner with three decades of expertise, Arlene spent more than 20 years in the trust and investment services industry, first as assistant vice president for U.S. Trust of New York and later as vice president in trust services for Citibank and First Union (now Wells Fargo). Before entering the nonprofit arena, she was the vice president of Allen Trust Company and West Coast Trust Company (now Columbia Trust Company). Most recently, Arlene served for nine years as director of gift planning for The Oregon Community Foundation.

Arlene is committed to helping others self-actualize through philanthropy. She is an inspiring, passionate and uniquely well-informed speaker on financial and philanthropic planning strategies. She speaks on relevant topics such as:

“Leaving a Lasting Legacy: How to make the gift you never knew you had in you?”

“How Philanthropy Fits Into Your Financial Plan”

“Legacy Planning and the Funny Family”

Professional Affiliations: Estate Planning Council of Portland, Board member and past seminar chair; Financial Planning Association; Northwest Planned Giving Roundtable, Past secretary and treasurer; Willamette Valley Development Officers

Awards: Hadassah National Leadership Award, April 2002; Jewish Women’s Round Table Song of Miriam Award, June 2003

Arlene was a Young Judaeon in high school and studied in Israel after her sophomore year in college. Arlene, her husband Mitch and their two daughters Alana and Abby are longtime members of Congregation Neveh Shalom.