

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**February 6, 2018**

Advocacy Day  
Annapolis, MD  
4:30 - 8:00 P.M.

**March 8, 2018**

"Following the Kotel Crisis:  
Exploring Our Ongoing  
Relationship with Israel"  
Park Heights JCC  
6:30 - 8:00 P.M.

### SAVE THE DATE

**April 15, 2018**

Yom HaShoah  
Commemoration

**May 8, 2018**

Frank Luntz Lecture

# Council Matters

FEBRUARY 2018

## Join Maryland Jewish Advocacy Day!

There's still time to sign up and help make a difference at our annual Maryland Jewish Advocacy Day on Tuesday, Feb. 6 in Annapolis! Our community's advocacy helped push through earned sick leave for Marylanders earlier this legislative session, and we'll be meeting with legislators once again to advocate for budget and policy issues essential to our community, including:



- funding for programs that assist Holocaust Survivors, combat domestic violence, promote Maryland-Israeli business development, and enhance health care;
- funding for a new Hillel Center at the University of Maryland, College Park;
- security grants for day care centers and schools that are at risk of hate crimes;
- stronger hate crimes legislation.

Visit [baltjc.org/advocacy-day](http://baltjc.org/advocacy-day) for more information and to register!

## Honoring Martin Luther King Jr. Day



BJC joined with 250 Jewish, Christian, Hindu, Muslim, and Sikh community members, faith leaders, and elected officials at an MLK Day luncheon honoring Martha Weiman, Louise Geczy and other interfaith bridge-builders! Meanwhile, the Elijah Cummings Youth Program Fellows spent MLK Day doing a service project with their peers from Students Taking Action for Change.

## Maryland Alliance for the Poor (MAP) Anniversary

MAP marked their 30th Anniversary on Jan. 17 by briefing the budget committees on poverty and holding a very successful anniversary dinner! MAP is Co-Chaired by BJC's Sarah Mersky, and BJC is proud to be a founding member of the coalition.

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