

Household Giving FAQs

What is Household Giving?

Historically, donors to the Federation were recognized by their individual contribution and solicitations conducted by contacting each individual in the household to request their support. However, based on feedback from the community, and the trend of adopting Household giving among most Federations, and nonprofits in general, individuals prefer to make financial decisions as a household. This is called Household Giving.

How will my gift be recognized?

The Household Giving model means that your gift will be recognized as a total gift amount from both individuals in the house (where applicable). This method of recognition has already been in effect for the Pacesetter Giving Society at JFGD.

Will I still be recognized as a Lion/Pomegranate/Shofar/etc.?

Absolutely! You will continue to be recognized in your respective Giving Society and invited to exclusive events for your Giving Society. In fact, your household gift may qualify you to be recognized at a higher giving society level, which gives you more access and recognition.

Giving in my own name is important to me. Can I continue doing so?

Based on feedback from the community and philanthropic practices throughout Federations across the country, the majority of donors prefer to make gifts as a household. Similar to how partners give to other charities together, we will also be recognizing people at their collective level, while still engaging them as individuals. While we encourage you to give as a Household, we would be happy to accommodate your preference.

How does a change to household giving contribute to the success of the Federation's mission?

Household giving contributes to the success of the Federation's Mission in many ways. Most importantly, it allows our organization to stay true to our commitment to be donor centric. Part of our mission is to build community and by recognizing spouses, we are able to expand our donor base and enlarge our supporters. Also, not only does the Household Giving model respond to the overwhelming majority of generous donors in the Dallas Jewish community, Household Gift solicitations reduce overhead and increase the Federation's ability to allocate resources where they are needed most, helping ensure we have a strong and vibrant Jewish community.