



The Jewish Federation
OF DUTCHESS COUNTY

Annual Meeting
December 9, 2020



Agenda

- I. Welcome
- II. D'var Torah, Jonah Ritter
- III. Board Slate Vote
- IV. Guest Speaker **Brad Orsini**, SCN Sr. National Security Advisor, to address the “Rise of Hate: Anti-Semitism and how we should all work to keep our community as safe as possible”
- V. President's Message, Steven Wasser
- VI. Business meeting – Annual update
- VII. Closing

Presentation of Slate of Officers and Board 2021



Officers	New Board Members
President, Steven Wasser	Brenda Baker
Vice President, Ira Auerbach	Stan Cooper
Vice President, Jonah Ritter	
Treasurer, Michael Smith	
Asst Treasurer, Jack Fein	
Secretary, Sandra Mamis	
Immediate Past President, Betsy Kopstein-Stuts	

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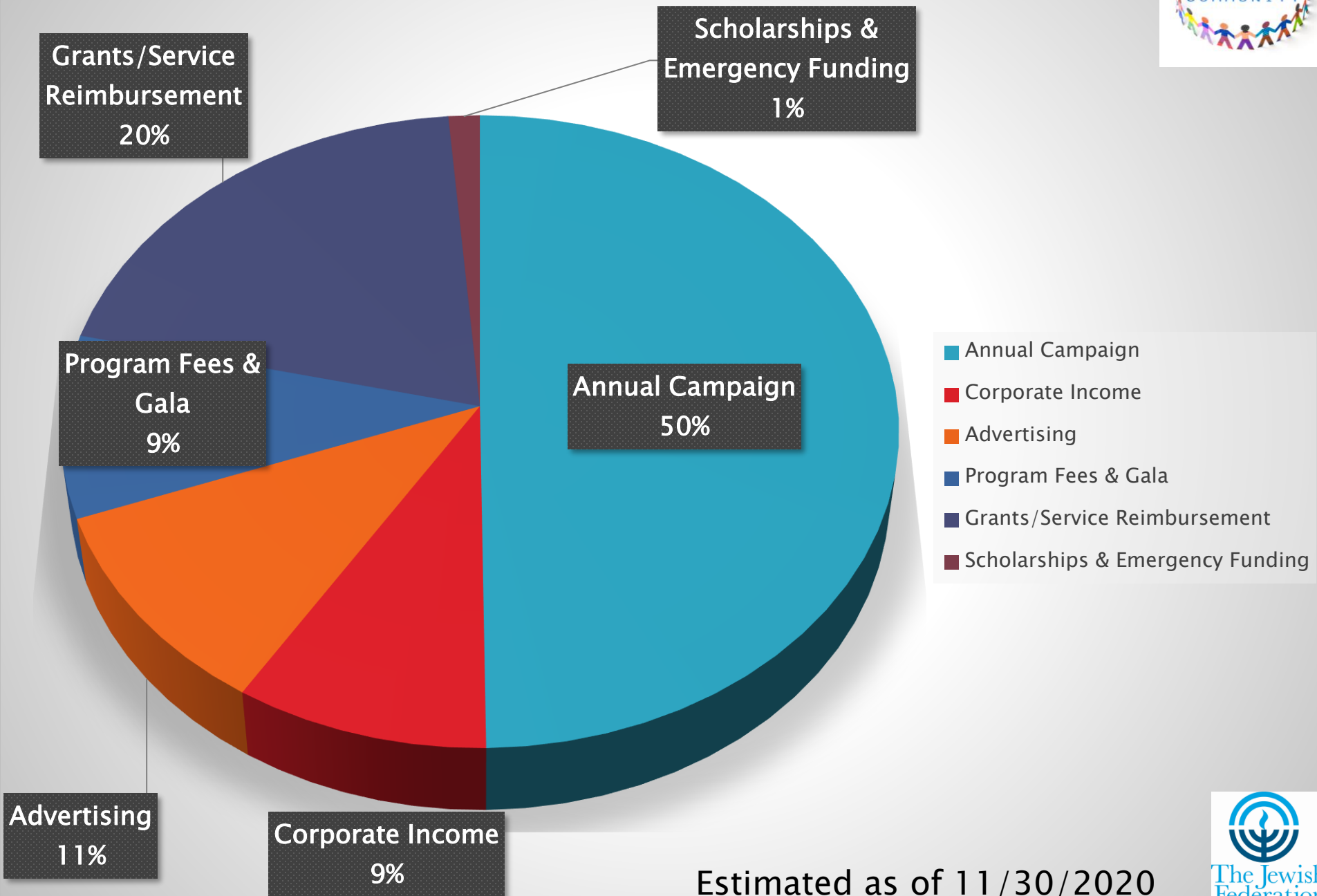


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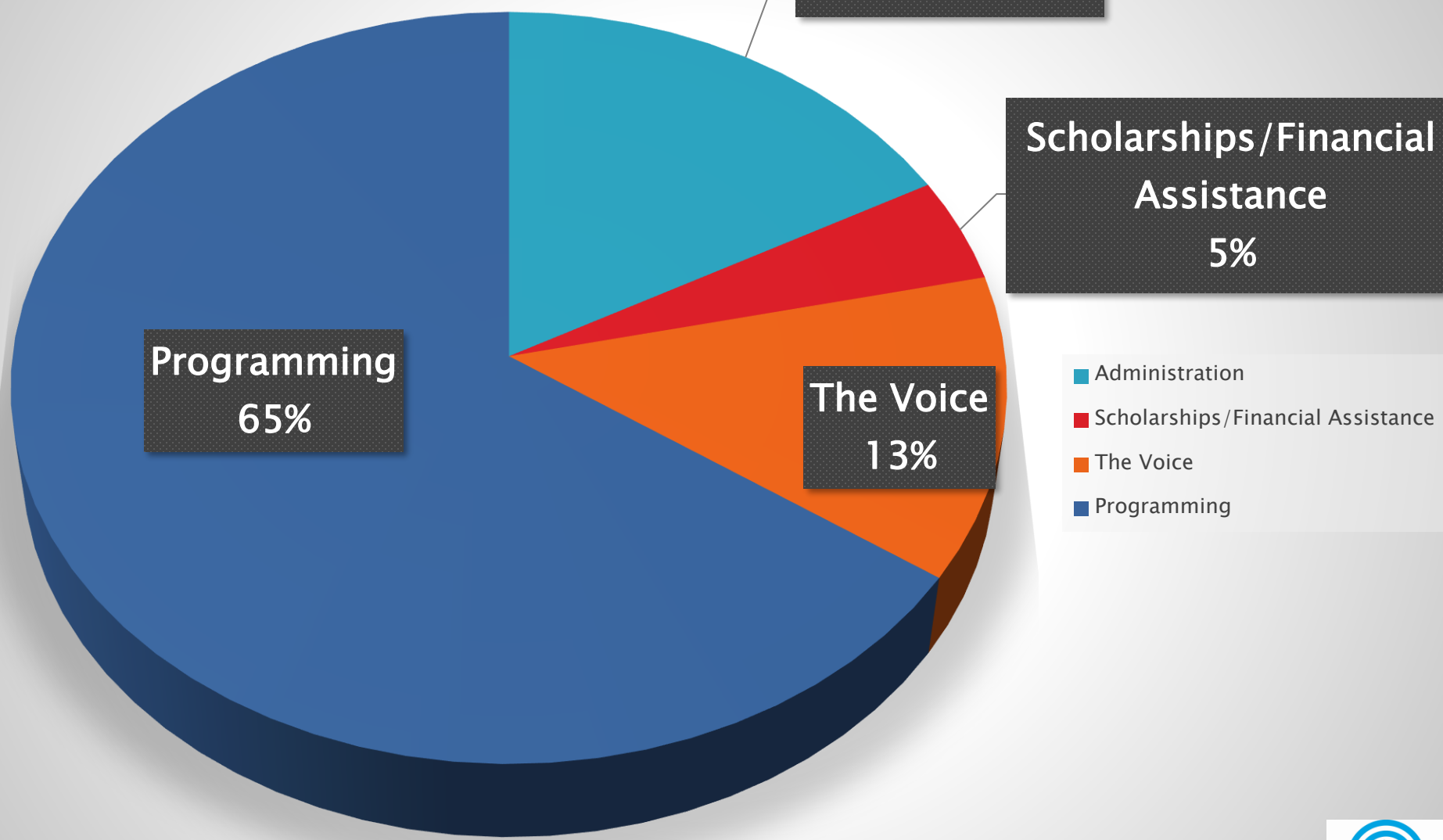
Advisory Board Members	
Michael Arnoff Eric Goldstone Vicki Greenberg	
Honorary Board Members	
Burt Gold (z"l)	

Where do Federation dollars come from?



Estimated as of 11/30/2020

Money goes to:



*Typical non-profits spend from 15%–49% of revenue on administrative costs.

Estimated as of 11/30/2020

CREATING



- ▶ Community Collaborations
 - New and expanded programming
- ▶ Community Outreach
- ▶ Community Support



Prayer Vigil – Jan 2020



A Community's Response To Hate



"More than hate destroys the hated, it destroys the hater"

- Rabbi Jonathan Sacks



A Community's Response To Hate



"Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart"

Lev. 19:17



International Holocaust Remembrance Day: FDR & Hevreh Concert – Jan 2020



Hevreh Ensemble



Franklin D. Roosevelt
Presidential Library and Museum

January 26, 2020

SOLD OUT

Sponsored by:
Steven and Stephanie Wasser
FDR Presidential Library and Museum
Jewish Dutchess Federation

Black History Month: FDR, Rhinebeck Reformed Church, JFedDC, and the Mid-Hudson Anti-slavery History Project: Feb 2020



Save the Date:
Sunday, February 9, 2020

African American History Month
Author Talk and Signing:

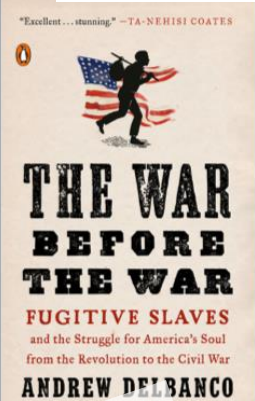
**THE WAR BEFORE THE WAR:
FUGITIVE SLAVES AND THE
STRUGGLE FOR AMERICA'S SOUL
FROM THE REVOLUTION TO THE
CIVIL WAR**
with Andrew Delbanco

Where: Henry A. Wallace Center at
the FDR Presidential Library & Home
When: 2:00 p.m.

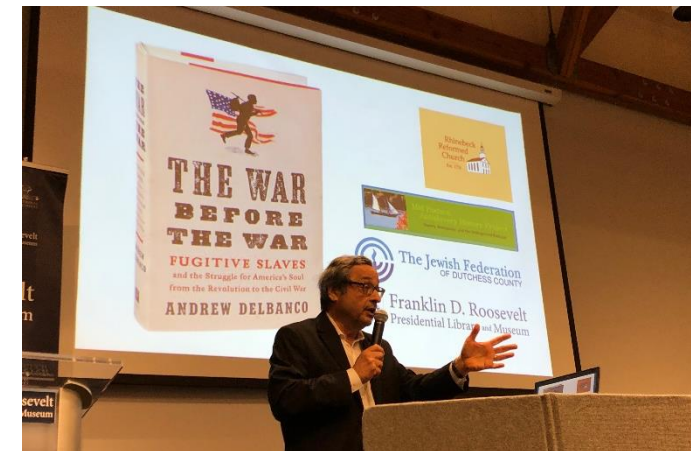
*Free event but registration is required.
Light refreshments served after.*

Register at:
www.fdrlibrary.org/events-calendar

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Presidential Library and Museum,
the Rhinebeck Reformed Church, the
Jewish Federation of Dutchess County,
and the Mid-Hudson Anti-slavery
History Project.



SOLD OUT



Dutchess County Relationships

Feb 2020



County Executive and County Department Heads meeting with our Rabbi Altman, Rabbi Krasner, Rabbi Polish, Rebbetzin Bornstein and JFedDC's Karen Hochhauser



Dutchess County
Department of
Emergency Response
2021 Safety Plan

Anti-Semitism & Hate: Addressing the Moment with Jody Miller – Feb



JFedDC and PJ Library
Mid-Hudson Valley Presents

"A JEWISH WELCOME" BABY EXPO

Celebrating babies born
since January 2018 and
expected in 2020

Sunday, January 12, 2020

10:00am to 12:00pm

Oakwood Friends' School
Library

22 Spackenkill Road, Poughkeepsie, NY



- ♥ Welcome Baby Swag Bags
- ♥ Class Demos: Legos, Yoga, Music, PJ Storytime, & More
- ♥ Services Expo
- ♥ Dessert Reception

RSVP to pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org by **January 3, 2020**



The Jewish Federation
OF DUTCHESS COUNTY



And then came COVID...



Creating Community Together While Apart

Being “Safe at Home” not “Stuck at Home”



Community Yom HaShoah Program

Monday, April 20, 2020, 6:30pm

This will be done virtually.

For ZOOM details:

[www.jewishdutchess.org /events](http://www.jewishdutchess.org/events)

*For help in setting up ZOOM, visit
www.jewishdutchess.org/coronavirus-helping-hand or call (845) 471-9811



Mitzvah Day → *Mitzvah Now* & Caring in the Age of Covid





Mitzvah Now: All For One Food Drive: May & October

Over 1,200
food
boxes/bags
distributed





Mitzvah Now: Back to School Drive

With the Jewish Social Action Coalition, The Harding Club, and PJ Library

600 bags of school supplies to Morse School children



Mitzvah Now: Shabbat Care Packages



- March:
- 35 seniors
 - 4 locations

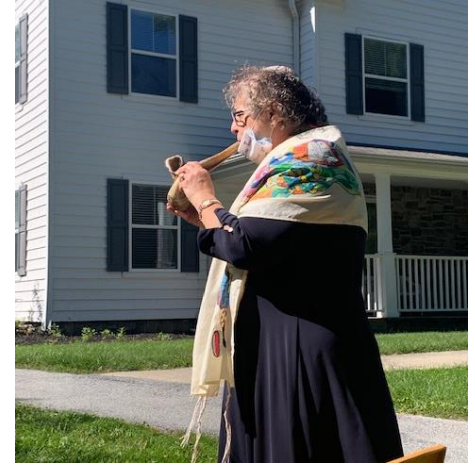


ROSH HASHANAH

- 60 Care Packages
- 9 Locations

HANUKKAH

- Over 100 Care Packages
- 11 Locations



Mitzvah Now: Great Thanksgiving Pie Giveaway



Upcoming Mitzvah Now Project:



JFedDC/JFS is joining the City of Poughkeepsie Police Dept. (CPPD) to buy, bake, & take pies to the needy.

Donated pies will be collected on:
Monday and Tuesday, November 23 & 24.
Pies will then be distributed on:
Wednesday, November 25.

Collection site: Public Safety Building,
505 Main St, Poughkeepsie.
Any questions contact JFedDC Office
845.471.9811



Photos by Garth C. Mason (CPPD Detective)

Over 550
pies given

City of Poughkeepsie Police: *GOBBLE GOBBLE*

PIE-A-PALOOZA 2020



Movie Night In

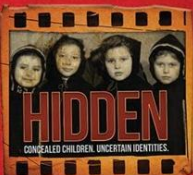


JUNE

AUGUST

NOVEMBER

Movie Night In
Parents forced to make an unbearable choice.
Children thrust into a foreign new life.
Jewish identities blurred forever.



HIDDEN
CONCEALED CHILDREN. UNCERTAIN IDENTITIES.

This film shares a fascinating, harrowing, and emotional journey through the fateful years of the war when tens of thousands of children took on new, unfamiliar identities in hope of surviving the German onslaught.


Project Witness is proud to share this very important documentary called HIDDEN.

Learn and be inspired by the heroes of the past.
We can gather our strength from theirs.

Special appearance and talk by
Director Gidon Orman

JULY

Movie Night In



DANIEL CRAIG
DEFIANCE
BASED ON THE INCREDIBLE TRUE STORY

"DANIEL CRAIG GIVES THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS CAREER."
-PETER DINKINS, ROLLING STONE

Our Special Guest Speaker: Robert Bielski, son of Tuvia Bielski.

Movie Night In Sponsored by::



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Movie Night In
Waves of Freedom
An Amazing Post War Story of Volunteer American Soldiers



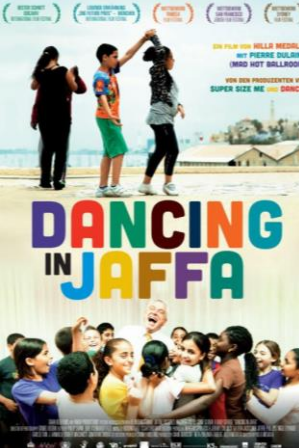
Paul Kaye, one of the heroic volunteers, will be joining & speaking.

Movie Night In Sponsored by::



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www.jgspc.com

OCTOBER



DANCING IN JAFFA



Special Guest:
Pierre Dulaine

Faye DUNAWAY Max VON SYDOW Orson WELLES Malcolm McDOWELL

GENOMINEERD VOOR 3 OSCARS® & WINNAAR VAN EEN GOLDEN GLOBE



VOYAGE OF THE DAMNED



Special Guest:
Debbie Sylvester



MEDICAL LOAN CLOSET

- Over 488 Contacts
 - 119 Loans
 - 344 Calls
 - 25 referrals

Additional Support from:

- The Bernard & Shirley Handel Foundation Donor Advised Fund of Community Foundations of Hudson Valley





Learn & Lunch Bunch

“Senior Social Circle & Network”

PIVOT →

Support from Community
Foundations of the Hudson Valley:
The Bernard & Shirley Handel
Foundation Donor Advised Fund &
Ann and Abe Effron Fund



Helping Families in Need




- Scholarships & Funds Helped:
- 17 Families
 - Multiple Children
 - Awarded \$8,325

Emergency Fund for Jewish Families

Helping Our Jewish Neighbors in Times of Crisis

A PROGRAM OF JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES OF DUTCHESS COUNTY



The Jewish Federation of Dutchess County

Scholarship Fund

The Jewish Federation of Dutchess County
PO Box 2525
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Yes, I want to pay-it-forward and help children in our community get a Jewish education.

____ \$18.00 ____ \$50.00 ____ \$250.00
____ \$36.00 ____ \$100.00 ____ \$500.00

Other _____

Please indicate your donation amount above and complete the information below so we can personally acknowledge your gift.

Your name _____
Address _____
Address _____
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Phone _____

Should we publicly acknowledge your gift to the Scholarship Fund in our monthly publication, The Voice? ____ YES ____ NO

Please accept my check for \$ _____
Drop this card and your check in the box in the lobby. Make checks payable to JFDC and write "Scholarship Fund" in the memo line.

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Signature _____

Thank you.

The Jewish Federation of Dutchess County is 501(c)3 organization.
Donations are tax deductible to the extent of law.

Growing Community:

PJ Library – from Jewish books to Jewish life

- PJ Library (0 to 8yr) : 271 children
- PJ OurWay (9–12yr) : 66 children
- Family engagement
- Staff – 2 & Generation Gratitude Parent Connector
- Micro Communities and “Get Togethers”

In conjunction with:

- Harding Club & Grants
- Harold Grinspoon Foundation & Alliance Partners



PJ Library:
Recipient of
Harold Grinspoon
Foundation Grant



Let's Bring in the New Year Together
with Gratitude!

Generation Gratitude: "Families
Developing Gratitude Together"

An immersive experience for PJL
families (with children ages 0 to 5) to
intentionally develop ways to cultivate
gratitude as a family, and a cohort.

If you are interested please register at
pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org or text/call
845-475-2704 by 10/1/20 to receive your
Generation Gratitude Kit!

Virtual Seminar will be offered
Oct-Dec 2020 and include:

- Family Yoga
- Mindfulness and Movement
Techniques
- Story Time, Craft and Parent
Education
- Post- Bedtime Classes

Schedule:
Family Classes held Sundays
from 10:00-10:30 am. Start 10/18.

Contact us for full schedule.

This program made possible through a grant from
PJ Library, a program of the Harold Grinspoon
Foundation





Growing Community

- ▶ Doing more for more
- ▶ Increasing awareness
- ▶ Increasing membership
- ▶ Increasing Community partnership packages
- ▶ JFNA Matching program

Community Partnership Packages



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- ▶ Acorn Stairlifts: Call Martin Hochhauser
- ▶ Hudson Valley Renegades
- ▶ Raymour & Flannigan Outlet: Call Mark Ackerman



Grants



Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley:

- ▶ **Ann & Abe Effron Fund**
 - ▶ **Bertha Effron Fund**
- ▶ **Bernard & Shirley Handel Foundation**
- ▶ **Irving & Gloria Schlossberg Family Fund**

The Harding Club

Eve Propp Family Foundation Inc.

First Virtual Gala!



ENVISIONING A FUTURE: 2020

3RD ANNUAL (VIRTUAL) FEDERATION CELEBRATION



The Jewish Federation
OF DUTCHESS COUNTY

SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

STARTING AT 6:30 P.M.

\$25 PER PERSON

\$40 PER PERSON INCLUDING
RAFFLE TICKET FOR IPAD

HONORING:

BERT & REBBECCA COHEN, Next Gen

ROBERT JONAH RITTER, Federation Rising Star

MARY KAY VRBA, Righteous Dutchess

LILLI ZIMET, Enduring Commitment to Jewish Continuity

RSVP BY THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

ZOOM INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED UPON RSVP

Questions or to Purchase Tickets or Sponsorships:

Call 845-471-9811 or visit

www.JewishDutchess.org/Events

Our

*Honorees: Bert and Rebecca
Cohen*



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Robert Jonah Ritter



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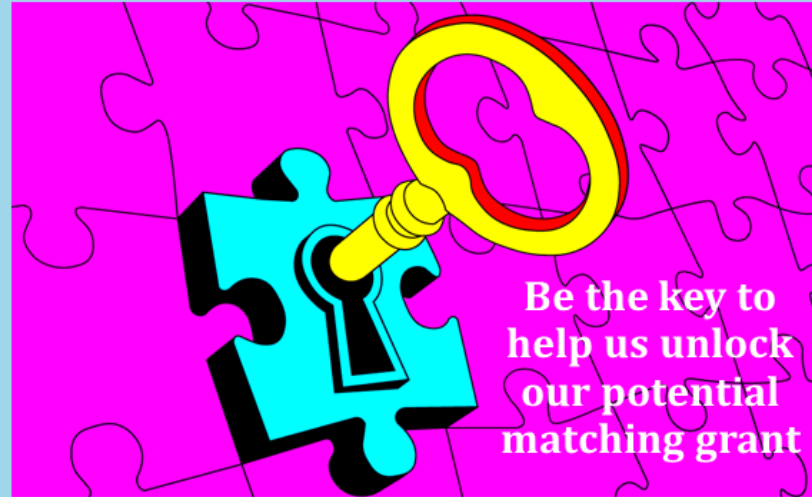


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JFNA Matching Grant

JFedDC's Annual Campaign is launching.

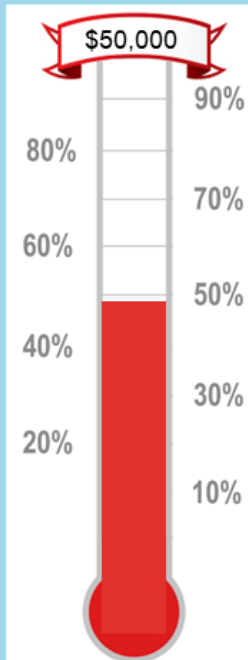


We are excited to have been selected for JFNA's Human Service Relief Matching Fund. New campaign donations and increased giving qualify for a 50% match.

In Dutchess County, these funds help support:

- Jewish Education Scholarships
 - Learn & Lunch Bunch
- Senior Shabbat Care Packages
 - Medical Loan Closet
- Jewish Summer Camp Scholarships (new)

All gifts received by December 31st qualify.



Engaging OUR PARTNERS



Harding Club



Growing our digital imprint



- The Voice: almost 2,000 subscribers
- Jewish In Dutchess: 1,900 readers
- Facebook
 - PJ avg 1 boost/month touches 2,000



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2020

COMMUNITY HANUKKAH VIRTUAL CELEBRATION

ALL ARE WELCOME

ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED



The Bible Players



- | | |
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| 9:30 am | Improvisation Games with The Bible Players
Pre K – Grade 2 and families |
| 10:00 am | Welcome all participants

Milton the Menorah: A Hanukkah Adventure
starring The Bible Players

Community Hanukkah Celebration Film |
| 11:00 am | Improvisation Games with The Bible Players
Grade 3 & Up and families |

TO REGISTER VISIT WWW.JEWISHDUTCHESS.ORG/EVENTS

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Vassar Temple
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Where You Belong



Congregation
Shir Chadash



The Jewish Federation
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PJ Library & PJ OUR WAY

JOIN US:
Sunday
December 13

Community
Hanukkah
Virtual
Celebration



The Jewish
Federation
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Happy Hanukkah...

*May the lights
of Hanukkah
usher in
a better world
for all humankind.*
-Author Unknown

