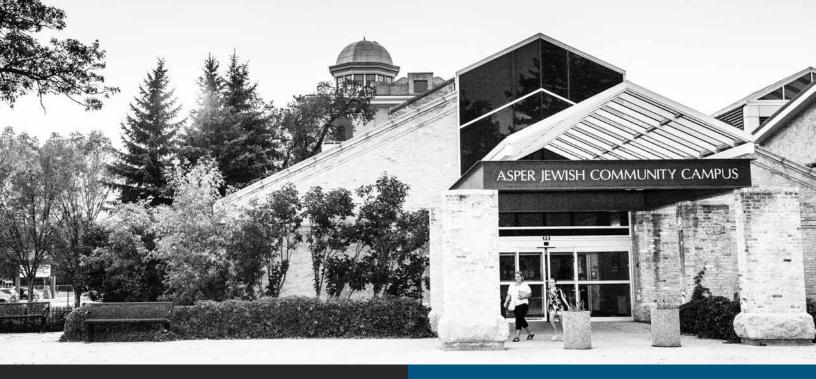


# 2016/2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Our future.

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# WHAT IS FEDERATION?

The Jewish Federation of Winnipeg is a non-profit community organization that was established in Winnipeg almost 80 years ago. We are part of the Jewish Federations of Canada-UIA (JFC-UIA). We are one of almost 150 Federations that make up the Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA).

# MISSION & VISION

**MISSION:** Acting as the representative body of the Winnipeg Jewish community, building and sustaining a strong, secure and connected community rooted in Jewish values.

**VISION:** Building a vibrant, connected Winnipeg Jewish community.

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## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO**

It is our pleasure to provide you with a report on the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Before we begin, however, we would like to thank you once again for your unwavering support.

Our fiscal year began in September with a strong commitment to the well-being and growth of the community. The goals identified at the 2016 Board strategic planning retreat have guided our work and indeed our accomplishments: new mission and vision, a complete revision of the board bylaws, review of our organizational chart, parameters for board membership, development of a board skills matrix, and increased board communications through a private board and executive webpage.

The 2016-2017 CJA Campaign, chaired by Bryan Klein, raised \$5.79 million. These funds are allocated to ensure the continuity and existence of our partner agencies which support and enrich the lives of Jews locally, nationally and overseas. The Federation's "Leave More Than Memories" endowment fund at the Jewish Foundation of Manitoba has exceeded \$4 million. Income from these funds provides insurance and assurance for the future of our community. Our current campaign is ongoing. We, as always, appreciate your continued support.

The 2016-2017 year has been very dynamic. Our resiliency, cohesiveness and strength were tested during the 2 highly publicized evacuations of the Asper Jewish Community Campus. During these experiences we continue to work closely with our community partners: Winnipeg Police Service, the Fire and Paramedic Service, the RCMP, and the Manitoba Youth Centre - our neighbour across the road.

We continue to receive important information on national issues and security as well as communications expertise from CIJA (the Centre for Israel & Jewish Affairs), our advocacy partner.

We were delighted to host 2 meetings with Supreme Court Justices, coordinate a very successful breakfast with Israel's Ambassador to Canada, and organize a meeting with Federal Progressive Conservative Party Caucus members.

We are proud to provide continued support to Operation Ezra, the coalition that organizes services, housing, and support for the beleaguered Yazidi refugees. To date we have welcomed and provided support to 45 people from 8 families with 2 more families expected to make Winnipeg their home very soon.

We are very pleased to report that Community Conversations were facilitated with over 400 people of all ages and diverse demographics. The resulting 4700 lines of data collected were grouped into 5 key themes and a year of action planning began with a full Planning Forward day in May 2017.

Existing committees are meeting and new committees are forming to develop these action plans. Almost every issue on the list requires multiple organizational players, volunteer participation, and time to deliver the changes that are needed to keep us vibrant for years to come. We are committed to reporting back to the community annually on our ongoing progress.

Our community is anchored by the resolve and resiliency of people like you, established families as well as newcomers. We continue to welcome families from around the globe. Over the last 2 years families from as far as Brazil and Turkey have enriched our community by making Winnipeg their home. GrowWinnipeg, has over 5000 inquiries to process. Our leadership continues to connect with newcomers on a regular basis to open the lines of communication that are sustained throughout the year.

In the coming year, Federation will celebrate its 80th anniversary in our community and we will welcome a new President, Laurel Malkin. It is our honour to serve the community.

Thank you for continuing to be part of OUR Jewish community.



Adam Levene President



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Elaine Goldstine

Chief Executive Officer

# **OUR DEPARTMENTS**

Through our departments and programs, Federation serves the Winnipeg Jewish community at every age and stage of life.

#### **EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT**

- ▶ Connects more Jews to more of Jewish life in collaboration with community organizations, volunteers, and national brand programs
- Achieves goals by serving as a partner and catalyst for the development and implementation of programs and as an incubator for new projects
- Increases knowledge of the Winnipeg Jewish community while working with community partners to fill gaps and facilitate collaboration
- Maximizes its reach by leading initiatives to meet new people and assist them in finding meaningful connection with the Federation and the Winnipeg Jewish community

Education and Engagement took on its new name and mandate in 2016-2017.

300 People enjoyed Lag Ba'Omer Community Wide Celebration



#### PJ LIBRARY

- ▶ Offers subscription based Jewish-themed books and CDs to families with young children. PJ Library books celebrate important aspects of Jewish culture, values, and tradition
- ▶ Coordinates additional opportunities for families to deepen their connection with the Jewish community in a welcoming Jewish themed program

Federation invests \$50US per year for each child's subscription.

Over

800 III

Children received monthly books from PJ Library



Neighbourhood" program

# NEXT GENERATION INITIATIVES

▶ Develops next generation leaders through the building of Jewish identity, Israel related activities, programming, social action and social events

75 man salami

Students from Calgary, Edmonton & Winnipeg attended the Federation Shabbat retreat Jewish students are connected to Hillel

#### HILLEL

Provides support to students in living and connecting Jewishly while pursuing their post-secondary education and supports universities in maintaining a safe and welcoming environment for all students on campus

#### YOUNG ADULT DIVISION (YAD)

- Promotes a strong future of our Jewish community by engaging young adults (ages of 25 and 45) through fundraising, development of leadership skills and community involvement to ensure the next generation of Jewish philanthropists and leaders have an invested stake in the future of our Jewish community
- Includes a subdivision of donors who donate \$1,000 or more, the Ben Gurion Society, which has a strong focus on philanthropy, leadership and networking

New YAD donors, to the Combined Jewish Appeal



\$295,998

Raised by the Young Adult Division during the 2016 CJA Campaign

#### **COMMUNITY PLANNING**

 Assesses long-term Jewish community needs, identifies priorities, and develops action plans

In 2016-2017 a planning process was initiated with community consultations which resulted in 4 key directions for taking action that will be addressed by current and newly forming committees:

- ▶ Enhance Jewish Experience & Welcome Diverse Jewish Identities
- Program for the Modern Jewish Community
- Improve Infrastructure & Community Capacity
- Strengthen Community Caring

Visit our community planning page jewishwinnipeg.org/planning for more detailed information or to get involved.





#### **COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

- Represents our community to other Jewish and non-Jewish communities, government and media on issues of racism, antisemitism, Israel, advocacy, social justice, Holocaust awareness and religious freedom
- Fosters interfaith and interethnic understanding and monitors community security
- In 2016-2107 communications & organizational assistance was provided to Operation Ezra coalition a multi faith coalition that is assisting with the resettlement of Yazidis in Winnipeg

CIJA (the Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs), our advocacy partner, liaised consistently and regularly with Federation on communications and issues of security.





Meetings with Municipal, Provincial & Federal politicians.

Community-wide commemoration events

#### ISRAEL AND OVERSEAS

- Promotes a strong connection with Israel and overseas communities by supporting needs and sharing opportunities
- Supports programs such as Birthright, March of the Living, Partnership2Gether, Missions, and global volunteerism
- Works with community partners to provide the community with Israel education and cultural events

A new department and new committee were formed in 2016-2017 to identify goals and strategies.

#### **BIRTHRIGHT ISRAEL**

Offers an opportunity for young Jewish adults to participate in an Israel experience for FREE





#### MARCH OF THE LIVING

Provides a life changing experience to students as they visit the concentration camps in Poland before continuing onto Israel in a journey that encourages all to bear witness

#### PARTNERSHIP 2GETHER (P2G)

- Connects the Jewish communities of Winnipea and the Upper Galil Panhandle through Gesher Chai, people to people exchanges with high school students and elementary school teachers
- Promotes, with national partners, the sharing of ideas, funding of projects and developing volunteer opportunities for adults in Israel



Welcomed from Israel in the Fall through P2G's Gesher Chai program



Teacher Sent to Israel in the Spring through P2G's

Gesher Chai program



# **OUR DEPARTMENTS**

#### **GROWWINNIPEG**

- Increases the Jewish population of Winnipeg by welcoming Jewish people from around the world to a vibrant, connected Jewish community
- ▶ Connects visitors with Jewish organizations, social and employment contacts to enable their future settlement and integration.

In 2016-2017 new social media campaigns were used to introduce new families to the community and expand networks for job seekers.





#### FINANCE

Reports on and safeguards the organization's assets and develops policies and guidelines on financial management



#### FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Leads the annual Combined Jewish Appeal (CJA) campaign - the primary funding source to our partner agencies and Federation operations; fundraises for emergency relief projects, acquires sponsorships, and corporate encourages planned giving to increase our endowment fund.

The funds raised through CJA provide operational funding for social services, education, and culture locally, nationally and internationally including Israel, helping our partners address the needs of Jews wherever they live.





#### **ALLOCATIONS**

Provides funding to 12 local partner agencies In 2016-2017:

- New tools were developed for use in the allocations process
- Information required of beneficiary/partner agencies was streamlined

# **ALLOCATIONS**

#### **TOTAL INCOME**

Campaign and other revenue

\$5,883,**7**30

#### **ALLOCATIONS TO LOCAL AGENCIES**

\$2,755,000



\$1,099,500



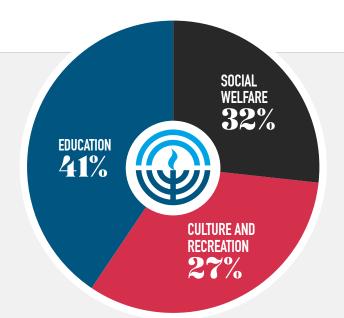
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\$505,000



CENTRE \$70,000 \$123.360









**\$31,000** <sup>\$8,640</sup>



\$58,000







#### **JEWISH FEDERATIONS OF CANADA - UIA**

\$550,000

**DESIGNATED GIVING** 

**\$1,103,401** 

#### FEDERATION/CAMPAIGN EXPENSES

**\$1,449,464** 

#### RESERVE FUND

Excess of revenue over expenditures and allocations

25,865

## **AUDITORS' REPORT**

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Directors of Jewish Federation of Winnipeg Inc.

The accompanying summarized financial statements, which comprise the statement of financial positionas at August 31, 2017 and the statement of revenue, expenditures and allocations for the year then ended, are derived from the audited financial statements of Jewish Federation of Winnipeg Inc. for the year ended August 31, 2017. We expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements in our report dated November 21, 2017 (see below).

The summarized financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Reading the summarized financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of the organization.

Management's Responsibility for the Summarized Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements on the following basis:

The summarized financial statements include the major totals and subtotals from the related complete financial statements dealing with matters having a pervasive or otherwise significant effect on the summarized financial statements.

#### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summarized financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standard (CAS) 810, "Engagements to Report on Summary of Financial Statements".

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the summarized financial statements derived from the audited financial statements of Jewish Federation of Winnipeg Inc. for the year ended August 31, 2017 are a fair summary of those statements, on the basis described above.

Winnipeg, Canada November 21, 2017



**Booke & Partners**Chartered Professional
Accountants

# **AUDITORS' REPORT**

### STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND ALLOCATIONS

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31

	2017	2016
Campaign Revenue		
Campaign	\$5,701,468	\$5,796,409
Bad debts	12,000	12,000
	5,689,468	5,784,409
Other revenue		
Endowment fund	104,000	93,138
Vaa'd Ha'ir of Winnipeg Inc.,		
recoveries	45,000	45,000
Interest and other	45,262	64,692
	194,262	202,830
Revenue before expenditures		
and allocations	5,883,730	5,987,239
Financial resource development		
operating expenditures	526,000	528,836
JFW Initiatives	352,398	349,074
Allocations		
Beneficiary agencies	2,755,000	2,755,000
Designated	1,103,401	1,147,893
Jewish Federations of Canada - UIA	550,000	557,778
Federation operating expenditures		
(net of recoveries)	571,066	567,515
	4,979,467	5,028,186
Excess of revenue over expenditures and		
allocations	\$25,865	\$81,143

# **AUDITORS' REPORT**

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS OF AUGUST 31, 2017

	2017	2016
Assets		
Current		
Cash	\$ 111,798	\$ 74,190
Short-term investments	2,254,938	1,487,582
Campaign receivable	894,385	805,814
Receivables	185,416	200,098
Current portion of note receivable	16,484	45,000
Prepaid expenses	48,304	84,338
	3,511,325	2,697,022
Note receivable, Vaa'd Ha'ir of Winnipeg Inc.	-	16,484
Capital assets	176,314	196,666
Investments	66,307	883,449
	\$3,753,946	\$3,793,621
Liabilities		
Current		
Payables and accruals	206,147	245,388
Due to beneficiary agencies	2,665,016	2,665,000
Operation Ezra	168,579	95,424
Deferred revenue	5,125	2,257
Designated allocations payable	-	57,338
Current portion of deferred recoveries	16,484	45,000
	3,061,351	3,110,407
Deferred recoveries		
Vaa'd Ha'ir of Winnipeg Inc.		16,484
	3,061,351	3,126,891
Fund Balances		
Reserve Fund	516,281	470,064
Capital Asset Fund	176,314	196,666
	692,595	666,730
	\$3,753,946	\$3,793,621

2016

2017

The complete financial statements, including notes to the financial statements and the independent auditors' report, are available upon request by contacting the Jewish Federation of Winnipeg office.

Approved by the Board: Adam June Laurel Malle Director

# WHO IS FEDERATION?

#### **JFW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Adam Levene, President Laurel Malkin, Vice President

#### **DEPARTMENTAL CHAIRS**

Josh Blatt, Allocations Chair

Jessica Cogan, Israel and Overseas Chair

Carol Duboff, Community Planning Chair

Bryan Klein, 2016 Campaign Chair

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Development Chair

Joel Lazer, Community Relations Chair

Elana Schultz, Education and Engagement Chair

Dov Secter, Next Generations Initiatives Chair

Gustavo Zentner, Finance Chair/Treasurer

Abby Morris, Honourary Counsellor

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**Howard Morry** 

Monte Nathanson

#### **CURRENT STAFF**

Elaine Goldstine, Chief Executive Officer

Carlos Benesdra, Chief Financial Officer

Arielle Branitsky, Leadership and Engagement Director

Shelley Faintuch, Community Relations Director

Florencia Katz, PJ Library Coordinator

Jessica Kerzner, Event Coordinator

Jordan Lazareck, Office Support

Linda Levesque, Campaign Associate

Matt Lozynyc, Graphic Designer/Web

Administrator

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