

LIFE & LEGACY ORGANIZATIONS

LIFE & LEGACY™ is a partnership between the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation and is a collaborative effort of the following area agencies and synagogues:

Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley

3202 Shalom Way
South Bend, IN 46615
(574) 233-1164
bdavis@thejewishfed.org
www.thejewishfed.org

Midwest Torah Center

2516 South Twyckenham Drive
South Bend, IN 46614
(574) 234-9092
www.midwesttorah.org

Sinai Synagogue

1102 E. LaSalle Avenue
South Bend, IN 46614
(574) 234-8584
www.sinaisynagogue.org

South Bend Hebrew Day School

206 West 8th Street
Mishawaka, IN 46544
(574) 255-3351
southbendhebrewdayschool.com

Temple B'nai Shalom

2050 Broadway
Benton Harbor, MI 49022
(269) 925-8021
thejewishfed.org/-temple-bnai-shalom

Temple Beth-El

305 West Madison Street
South Bend, IN 46601
(574) 234-4402
www.tbe-sb.org

For more information on LIFE & LEGACY contact Ben Davis at the Jewish Federation or any of the listed organizations.



HOW DO I BEGIN?

It's simple!

1. Reflect on your Jewish passions.
 2. Contact one of the participating organizations.
 3. Have a conversation with a Legacy Team member.
 4. Fill out a Letter of Intent form.
 5. Formalize your commitment by having a conversation with your personal financial advisor or Ben Davis at the Jewish Federation.
- The simplest method of leaving a legacy is through a will or estate plan.
 - Or by adding (or changing) a beneficiary designation on a retirement fund or life insurance policy.
 - Your legacy commitment can be a percentage or a specific dollar amount.
 - You can establish an endowment with a contribution now or at the time your gift is realized.
 - Some gifts can be structured to increase your current income.

**How will you assure Jewish tomorrows?
By leaving a legacy today.**



How Will You Assure Jewish Tomorrows?



Jewish Federation
OF ST. JOSEPH VALLEY

**“As my parents planted for me
before I was born, so do I plant for
those who will come after me.”**

-Talmud



WHAT IS LIFE & LEGACY?

LIFE & Legacy is a partnership of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation (HGF) and the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley that promotes after-lifetime giving to benefit local Jewish day schools, synagogues, social services organizations and other Jewish entities. Through training, support and monetary incentives LIFE & LEGACY motivates Jewish Organizations to integrate legacy giving into their philanthropic culture in order to assure Jewish tomorrow.

WHY LIFE & LEGACY

- To cultivate a culture of legacy giving.
- To foster camaraderie and respect among Jewish organizations.
- To give generous and forward-thinking members of the Jewish community an opportunity to express their passion, purpose and commitment to the future of the community's most valued Jewish organizations.

WHY PARTICIPATE?

In one way or another your life is rooted in Jewish experiences connecting you to the Jewish community. Chances are you already support Jewish charitable organizations in Michiana, but have you included these organizations in your will or estate plan? By leaving a legacy you can assure that the traditions and institutions that mean so much to you today will exist for future generations.

By making a legacy commitment you can:

- Convey your commitment to being Jewish.
- Express values instilled in you by your parents and grandparents.
- Perpetuate the Jewish traditions you cherish.
- Preserve the programs and organizations that support Jewish life in Michiana.

By making your legacy commitment now, or sharing with the community that you have already done so, those organizations to whom you make a legacy commitment have the opportunity to secure a \$5,000 incentive grant for two consecutive years.

**Wealth may last a lifetime.
A legacy of good deeds lasts forever.**



HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

All of us, regardless of age, wealth or affiliation, have the ability to leave a legacy.

Your legacy gift of any size can be customized and structured to fit your dreams, lifestyle, family and financial needs. You can provide support for a particular organization or area of interest.

Leaving a legacy is simple. Some options include:

- Bequest in a will
- Gift of life insurance
- Gift of IRA or pension funds
- Gift of cash or assets
- Charitable gift annuity
- Charitable remainder trust

Please consult your professional adviser, or Ben Davis at the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley (bdavis@thejewishfed.org) to determine which method of legacy giving is best for you.