

December 12, 2019

Dear Esteemed Community Members,

The Women's Philanthropy Advisory Council of the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona announces the fourteenth annual Bryna Zehngut Mitzvot Award. This award, created to honor Bryna Zehngut, of blessed memory, recognizes an outstanding Jewish teenaged young woman.

The recipient should be a high school junior or senior who has been a role model of Jewish values and shown leadership through her community organizational or volunteer activities. She will receive a \$613 gift relating to the Torah's 613 mitzvot. The money can be utilized towards participation on a trip to Israel, a Jewish leadership/educational program, or it can be donated in the recipient's name to a Jewish non-profit organization. The honoree will also be recognized by Women's Philanthropy of the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona during the 2020 Connections Brunch, featuring speaker Dr. Ruth Westheimer, on Sunday, March 8, 10am, at Loew's Ventana Canyon.

**We encourage you to submit one or more nominations.**

Nominee requirements and the application form can be found in the attached application letter, or online here: [bit.ly/zehngut2020](http://bit.ly/zehngut2020)

Please inform the young women of your nominations as they will be responsible to submit a brief resume, one letter of recommendation from a non-family member, and a brief statement of intent for use of the \$613 award. All forms can be submitted on line, via mail, or in person, and must be received no later than **Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**, 2020. Questions can be directed to Susannah Castro at the Jewish Federation, 520/577-9393 or [scaastro@jfsa.org](mailto:scaastro@jfsa.org).

**Please note: Nominations cannot be submitted by a family member but can be self-submitted so please alert eligible students.**

Nominations may also be submitted by emailing the required information to [scaastro@jfsa.org](mailto:scaastro@jfsa.org), or mailing/delivering the same information to the Harvey and Deanna Evenchik Center for Jewish Philanthropy, 3718 East River Road, Suite 100, Tucson, AZ 85718, Attn: Susannah Castro.

We thank you for joining us in recognizing the outstanding achievements of our youth.  
Sincerely,

Jane Ash and Karen Katz,  
Co-Founders