

Welcome

We kicked off summer with a LIFE & LEGACY Celebration to recognize our community's achievements in Year 3 of this important program dedicated to Jewish preservation and continuity. On June 29, more than 60 Legacy donors and LIFE & LEGACY committee members attended our breakfast awards ceremony. Incentive grants were distributed, along with the following Broadway-themed legacy awards. It was *One Singular Sensation!*

Adath Israel Congregation.....*The Sun Will Come Out Tomorrow*
 Beth El Synagogue..... *Not While I'm Around*
 Congregation Beth Chaim.....*Sunrise, Sunset*
 Congregation Toras Emes.....*To Life! L'Chaim!*
 Greenwood House.....*Someone to Watch Over Me*
 The Jewish Center, Princeton.....*I'm Not Throwing Away My Shot*
 Jewish Community Foundation.....*Who Lives? Who Dies? Who Tells Your Story?*
 Jewish Family & Children's Service.....*The Circle of Life*
 Kehilat HaNahar.....*Our Love is Here to Stay*
 Museum of American Jewish History.....*Children Will Listen*
 Or Chadash.....*What I Did For Love*
 Rimon.....*Defying Gravity*
 Shalom Heritage Center.....*I Dreamed a Dream*
 Temple Beth-El.....*You'll Never Walk Alone*

Special Thanks

We are incredibly grateful to the dedicated and visionary people who have made 519 LIFE & LEGACY Promises to date, to one or more of the partner organizations in our Greater Mercer area.

Thank you especially to the following, who recently made this commitment in Year 4 of the LIFE & LEGACY Program, from April through August 2017.

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Dr. Meryl Baumash

Chris and Leslie Hann

Darren and Elizabeth Loew

Arlene S. Pedovitch

Porter Family Donor Advised Fund

Polly and Rick Strauss

Ann Weinstein



Your Impact

Through our funds, the Foundation provides more than \$1 million annually in grants to hundreds of local, national and international organizations. **Social service nonprofits** in the Greater Mercer area, in particular, benefit from these grants. They provide a comprehensive range of programs that address numerous issues, including poverty, hunger and food insecurity, homelessness and affordable housing, domestic violence prevention, teen substance abuse, teen leadership training, senior assistance, and social and recreational activities for urban youth. We are grateful to the donors who allocate funding for these vital programs and services. Thank you!



What's New?

Each year, our Jewish Community Foundation provides scholarships for local Jewish college students to receive financial assistance when purchasing academic books required for their studies. This endeavor, known as the *Book Award Program*, is a highlight for the Foundation. We partner with Jewish Family and Children's Service to identify applicants and award scholarships based on need, merit and community involvement. This year we distributed nearly \$14,000 in *Book Awards* to 14 returning and new college students, representing four classes, from the Class of 2018 through 2021.

This year the *Book Award* recipients will be studying at Brandeis, Penn State, Rutgers, Tulane, Cornell, and McGill, just to name a few. One student recently explained that the *Book Award* "has greatly helped to alleviate the burden on my family, and for that, I cannot thank you enough." Another student shared that she "appreciates your award for enabling me to pursue my degree."

We are thrilled to provide this opportunity for Jewish students in need. Education has been, and will continue to be, a significant priority of our Jewish Community Foundation.

At the Jewish Community Foundation, we have helped hundreds of donors to create a Jewish legacy by making commitments to charities of their choice. Let us help you turn your passions and vision into action through charitable giving at the Foundation.

Mailbox

Dear Mom,

I still remember the advice you gave me when I moved to Princeton nearly 60 years ago. You said, "Join a synagogue and a political party, and become active in charities, both Jewish and secular."

Well, Mom, I am proud to share that I have followed through with your suggestions, and being so involved in my community has provided fulfillment and pleasure. You may recall that I have been a member of The Jewish Center for over 50 years now, and for more than 20 years I have served on the Boards of the Jewish Community Foundation and Womanspace. There are many other local organizations to which I have given my time, including the Center for Jewish Life (at Princeton University), the National Havurah Committee, Federation Women's Philanthropy Division, and Zamru.

I do all this because as a Jew, I believe strongly that we are called upon to heal the world. I want to share this value and my life story of providing service to others with my children and grandchildren. I have chosen to make a Legacy commitment to set an example for them as you did for me.

Fran Turim Zeidler with
her daughter and grandchildren

All my love,
Fran

Fran's mother Ruth Turim

