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REPORT 2022 - 2023





Celebrating Alpert Jewish Family Service: Winner of the 2023 Hats Off Nonprofit of the Year Award - Large Category

We are thrilled to announce that Alpert Jewish Family Service has been honored with the prestigious 2023 Hats Off Nonprofit of the Year Award in the Large Category!

Alpert Jewish Family Service is a valued member of Nonprofits First, a local organization that accredits and provides invaluable support and training for thousands of nonprofits in Palm Beach County.

The Hats Off event, an annual tradition for the past seven years, is a unique celebration of Palm Beach County's outstanding nonprofits. At this gala, awards are presented across various categories, including the highly coveted "Nonprofit of the Year - Large Category," reserved for nonprofits with revenues exceeding \$2.5 million.

The legacy of this award has been previously carried by notable organizations, including The Arc of Palm Beach County, Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County, Habitat for Humanity of the Palm Beaches, 211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast, and The Lord's Place.

Over the years, some have referred to Alpert JFS as the "best-kept secret in Palm Beach County." We are proud to say that the secret is out! Clearly the word is spreading about our agency's transformative impact in our community.

Together we are making a difference. Our commitment to helping those in need shines brightly for all to see.

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ON THE COVER:

Meet Laurie and Jordynnn, a mentor/mentee match from our Mentoring 4 Kids Program. This past May, they enjoyed a fun afternoon at our Mentor Appreciation Luncheon at the BallenIsles Clubhouse. Jordynnn is eight years old and loves spending time with her mentor, Laurie.

The Mentoring 4 Kids Program provides a role-model for a child who has lost a significant caregiver through death or divorce. It is a free, non-sectarian program for children ages 6 to 18 that helps fill a void in the child's life and strengthens the family.



This page, from top:

Hope and Gary Hoffman attending our 19th Annual No Excuse for Abuse Evening at the Kravis Center. **Alpert JFS Board member and First Vice President of Outreach, Jennifer Lesser, Marc Hopin and Gary Hoffman** in Tallahassee during Capitol Days in February, 2023.

A Message from Our President

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

As we prepare to celebrate a momentous milestone - our agency's 50th anniversary in 2024 - this year holds even greater significance when we consider our remarkable journey over the past five decades.

For half a century, Alpert JFS has been at the forefront of providing critical support and compassionate care to individuals and families in need. From our humble beginnings to our current stature as a leading human service agency, our commitment to improving lives and strengthening our community has remained unfaltering.

We have worked tirelessly towards expanding our services and programs to meet the evolving needs of those we serve. For example, we increased by 50% the number of households that receive holiday baskets for Rosh Hashanah, Thanksgiving and Passover. This past year, we provided over 400 young families and seniors with nourishing meals for the holidays.

I am immensely proud to share the record-breaking success of this year's "No Excuse for Abuse" event. This fundraising event plays a vital role in supporting our programs and services dedicated to preventing and addressing domestic abuse, mental health, and addiction. Thanks to the steadfast commitment of our dedicated supporters, in 2023 we achieved unprecedented fundraising levels. These funds enable us to expand our outreach efforts, provide critical resources, and offer a lifeline to those affected by domestic abuse and addiction. Together, we are transforming lives.

Reflecting on our 50-year journey, these accomplishments would only have been possible with the incredible dedication and support of our staff, volunteers, board members, and, of course, our cherished donors. Your commitment to our mission is the driving force behind our success. For this, we are sincerely grateful.

Looking ahead, we are inspired by the possibilities that the future holds. We remain steadfast in our commitment to providing comprehensive human services, reducing stigma, and fostering a more compassionate and supportive community.

On behalf of everyone at Alpert JFS and Levine JRFS, my heartfelt thanks for all of your contributions. Together, we have achieved remarkable milestones, and together, we will continue to transform lives for another 50 years and beyond.

Sincerely,

Gary Hoffman
President and Board Chair

A Message from Our CEO

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

It is with immense gratitude and pride that I write to you today, reflecting on our agency's remarkable achievements of the past year. I am pleased to report that our agency has continued to thrive and have a profound impact on the lives of individuals and families in our community. The unwavering commitment of our dedicated staff, generous donors, and caring volunteers have been instrumental in our success, and I cannot thank you all enough.

Below are just a few examples of our agency's life-changing impact this past year.

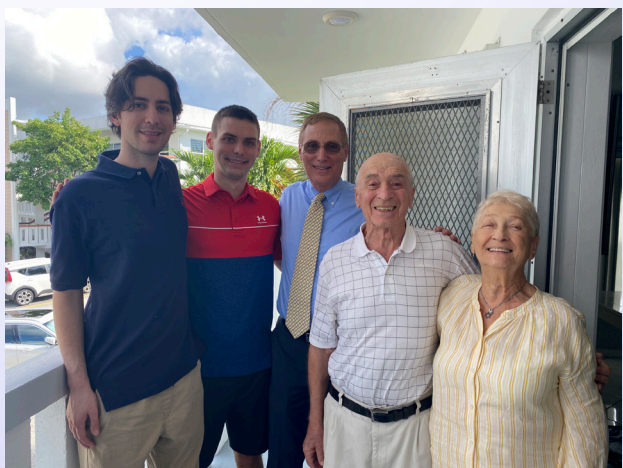
- In response to the growing human service needs in our community, we significantly expanded our services to provide support to even more individuals and families – over 12,000 people this past year.
- We expanded our food distribution efforts and collaborated with local partners to provide nutritious meals to those in need. We recently added a dedicated care manager to our food insecurity team. Our program now offers over 150 clients personalized attention, connecting them with financial services, career counseling and behavioral health services.
- We have forged strategic partnerships with other local organizations, government agencies, and businesses, amplifying our impact and extending our reach to those who need our services the most. In the past two years we secured a total of \$1,025,000 in Federal earmarks for the construction of our Enrichment Center in Boynton Beach, thanks to the tireless efforts of Congresswoman Lois Frankel. We also secured an \$825,000 Federal earmark for the buildout of our new Center for Belonging and Wellbeing in Palm Beach Gardens that was sponsored by Congressman Brian Mast. These two beautiful new facilities will position us to meet the growing needs of our community far into the future.
- Our commitment to fostering a sense of belonging within our community has never been stronger. We hosted a variety of events and educational programs, bringing our community closer together and promoting understanding and unity, including our second annual Holocaust Survivor Day celebration and inaugural Recovery Seder.

As we look to the future, we are excited about the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead. In 2024 we will be celebrating our agency's 50th anniversary. We remain committed to our vision of creating a community where everyone can lead a fulfilling life, and we are confident that, together with your ongoing support, we will achieve even greater milestones in the years to come. On behalf of everyone at Alpert JFS and Levine JRFS, I extend my deepest gratitude for your continued partnership and support.

Respectfully,



Marc D. Hopin
Chief Executive Officer



This page, from top: **Alpert JFS CEO Marc D. Hopin** speaks to State Representatives in Tallahassee; Marc with Holocaust survivor **Evelyn Grapek** at our annual Holocaust Survivor Day Luncheon, Marc and his two sons, **Daniel and Matthew**, deliver meals to Holocaust survivors for Thanksgiving.

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Our Programs and Services

Alpert JFS provides award-winning services for the entire family. We welcome people of all religious faiths and backgrounds and strive to help people live their fullest lives. For a complete list of our programs and services, please visit www.AlpertJFS.org

Behavioral Health Services for Adults, Families & Children
Senior Services
Food Insecurity
Holocaust Survivor Assistance
Services for Persons with Disabilities
Support Groups

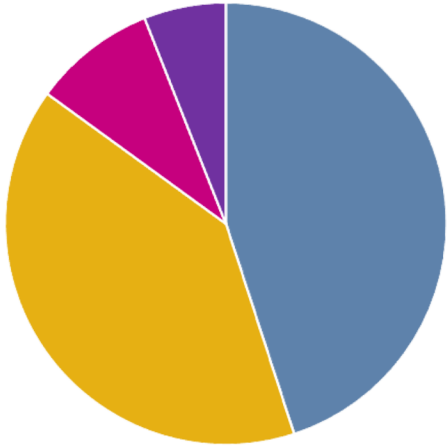
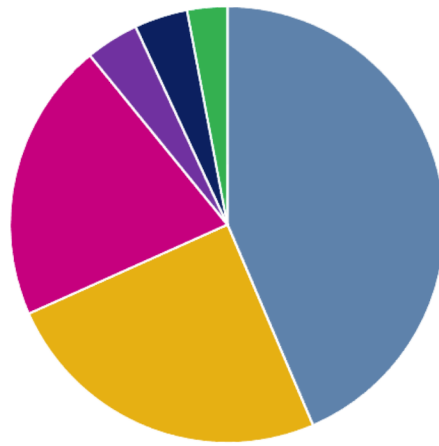
Care Management
Community Access Life Line (C.A.L.L.) Service
Domestic Abuse Outreach and Support
Guardianship
Jewish Addiction Outreach and Support
Mentoring 4 Kids
Mental Health First Aid
Levine JRFS Supported Independent Living
Pooled Trust
Psychological Testing and Evaluation
Relationships and Decisions Teen Trainer Programs

FINANCIALS

Incoming Funds \$17.5 Million

Claims Conference Grant
Fee Revenue
Contributions & Pledges
Grants, Contracts & Allocations
Other
Federation

46%
17%
17%
8%
8%
4%



Outgoing Funds \$17.5 Million

Program Staffing & Operations
Claims Conference Grant
Other Programming
Occupancy

49%
39%
6%
6%

Fundraising
Management and General
Programs

8%
6%
86%

Thank you to our Agency Partners!





JFS Psychologist Helps Young Mother Overcome Mental Health Challenges

Sarah is a 34-year-old woman who embarked on a transformative journey when she started therapy with Alpert JFS in 2016. Sarah's life was plagued by erratic moods and unstable relationships, leaving her estranged from her mother and her year-old son at the time. The gravity of her struggles became evident when she found herself hospitalized due to suicidal ideation.

Sarah's psychologist employed a compassionate and supportive approach, skillfully utilizing cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) and dialectical behavior therapy (DBT) techniques to address Sarah's mood instability and unhealthy relationships, particularly with her mother and son. Over several years, Sarah's psychologist demonstrated what a healthy relationship entails. Through consistent support and guidance, Sarah gradually reconnected with her mother and son, cultivating healthy patterns of communication and a safe

space to express their feelings. It was truly heartening to witness the healing that took place within their family unit.

As Sarah's therapy progressed, so did her personal growth. Today she resides with her mother and son in a loving and supportive environment—a testament to her immense progress since starting therapy. In addition to rebuilding familial bonds, Sarah also secured a new job. Equipped with the skills she learned in therapy, Sarah has fostered healthy relationships with those around her, extending beyond her immediate family.

We hope Sarah's journey serves as a beacon of hope to others who are struggling with mental health challenges. Thanks to the support of Alpert JFS, Sarah has gone on to have a life of stability, safety, and good health.

JFS Food Pantry Helps Family Regain Financial Footing

Before the pandemic, Cheryl and Dan had good jobs in the hospitality industry. Together with their two children, they enjoyed very stable and comfortable lives. In 2020, all of that changed. With meetings and functions canceled, their employers downsized, leaving Cheryl and Dan out of work. The lack of a steady income took a toll on their family. Thankfully, in 2023 Cheryl and Dan found new jobs, although their salaries have not fully recovered. With inflation, rising fuel costs, and tuition increases at their children's day school, feeding their family became a challenge.

Reluctantly, Cheryl and Dan contacted Alpert JFS for help, which greatly embarrassed them. They were always the family that delivered groceries to seniors and Holocaust survivors. It never crossed their minds that one day they would be the ones in need.



Thanks to our caring Food Pantry staff and volunteers who treated them with dignity, Cheryl and Dan were able to move beyond the discomfort of receiving food assistance. Instead, they focused on regaining their financial footing. Today they are on the road back to a stable life with their two children. "I don't know how we would have managed without the Alpert JFS Food Pantry. Not only were we able to supplement our food budget, but the kindness and compassion of the staff helped ease our stress."



Rochelle is a 65-year-old woman who has been receiving services from Alpert JFS for nearly 15 years. She has limited family and social support, and minimal finances. A JFS care manager was assigned to Rochelle to identify her physical, emotional, and social needs, and develop a comprehensive care plan. In addition to care management services, today Rochelle also receives psychiatry, counseling, friendly visitor and food pantry services, as well as Meals on Wheels and chore services.

Rochelle has had a history of falls, including three falls in the past few months. Her most recent fall occurred in January, and she was hospitalized for a week, followed by a stay in rehab. Her care manager advocated for Rochelle to ensure she received the care she needed to prevent further falls. Rochelle's care manager also worked with Rochelle to address the barriers to her independence so she could return home.

JFS Helps Senior Regain Her Independence

Discharged from rehab, Rochelle has been living at home for several weeks. Rochelle's care manager continues working with her to help her stay safe and independent at home. Her care manager arranged for home health services, including a registered nurse for diabetic teaching and a home health aide to provide support with transportation, grocery shopping, meal preparation, housekeeping, and bathing.

Rochelle's care manager is an invaluable resource, providing Rochelle with the care and support she needs to live a safe and independent life. Rochelle has resumed driving and volunteering for the foster grandparenting program that she participated in before her hospitalization. Rochelle is happy to be home and resume her regular activities. It is so rewarding to see that she has returned to doing what she loves the most.



JFS is Strengthening Ties with Our Government Officials

State Senator Lori Berman and State Representatives Mike Caruso and David Silvers along with Alpert JFS Board Members (from left to right): Keith Braun, Zelda Mason, Maxine Marks, Gary Hoffman, Ellie Hart, Harriet Samuels, and Jennifer Lesser.

Over the past four years, Alpert JFS has cultivated strong ties with government officials and other agencies, emerging as a leader in expanding mental health services for thousands in need of help. In the past year alone, we received over \$2,243,000 in government funding for our agency, including over \$718,000 in State appropriations. This is a result of our effective advocacy efforts, showcasing our exceptional work in meeting the needs of our clients and community. This new revenue stream is a huge boost to our agency's long-term sustainability and growth.

Over the past year, we worked closely with our elected officials to generate nearly \$2 million in state funding for Alpert JFS for 2023-2024, allocated for Mental Health First Aid (MHFA). This funding will allow us to expand our training efforts beyond Palm Beach County, reaching Broward, Hillsborough, Manatee, Martin, Miami-Dade, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and St.

Lucie Counties. This expansion provides MHFA training to more individuals and communities, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to effectively identify and respond to mental health challenges.

U.S. Congresswoman Lois Frankel, JFS Board Member Ruth Naftly and David Naftly at the 19th Annual No Excuse for Abuse Evening.

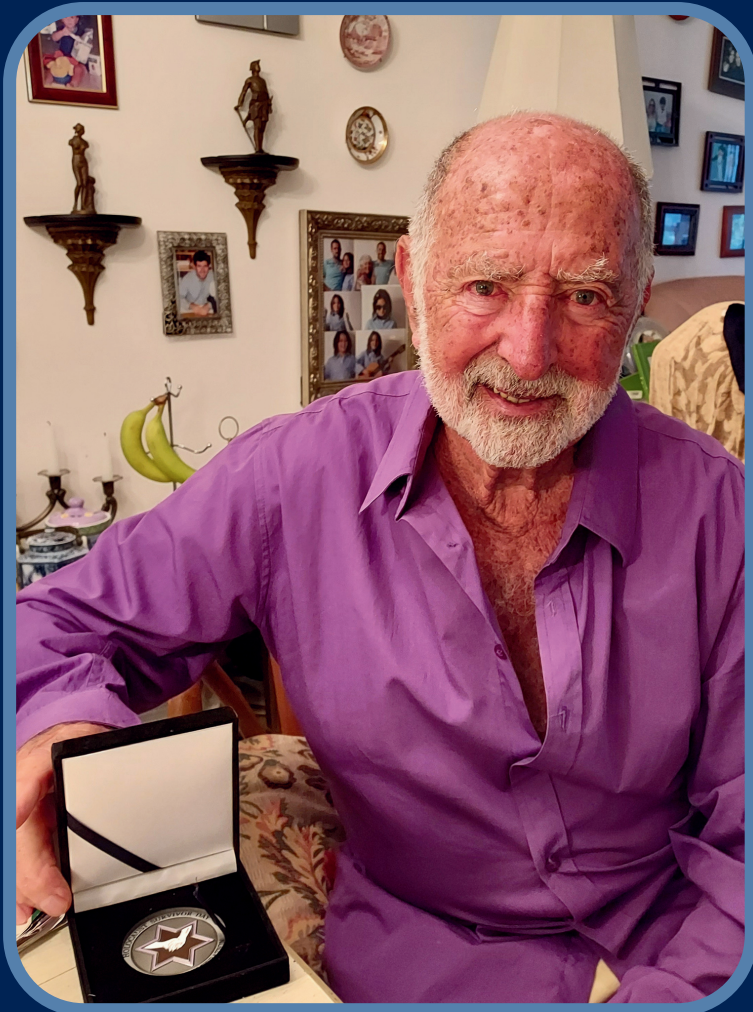


Thanks to the efforts of our legislative champions, the 2023 state budget included \$1.2 million in funding for mental health services in South Florida. For the second consecutive year this funding will support the Jewish Family Services Affordable Behavioral Health Collaboration—a partnership that includes Alpert JFS, Rales JFS, Goodman JFS, and Jewish Community Services of South Florida. Together, we will continue to provide accessible and quality mental health services to individuals and families in need across the region.

For the first time, at the invitation of Palm Beach County Mayor Gregg Weiss, Alpert JFS participated in Palm Beach County Legislative Days in Tallahassee, strengthening our impact and engaging over 200 elected officials and stakeholders.

Our Heartfelt Special Thanks to:

U.S. Congresswoman Lois Frankel
U.S. Congressman Brian Mast
State Senator Lori Berman
State Senator Gayle Harrell
State Senator Shevrin Jones
State Senator Bobby Powell
State Representative Kim Berfield
State Representative Mike Caruso
State Representative David Silvers
State Attorney Dave Aronberg
Palm Beach County Sheriff Ric Bradshaw
Palm Beach County Mayor Gregg Weiss



Care and Support for our Holocaust Survivors

Nearly 80 years later, the trauma of the Holocaust is still alive in many survivors' hearts and minds. Victor was born in Leningrad, Russia. When he was a child, his family lived in hiding and nearly starved to death. During the Siege of Leningrad by the Nazis, Victor lost many family members. He was able to survive the war and escape to the United States. He is one of the over 250 Holocaust survivors that Alpert Jewish Family Service currently cares for.

Services we offer to Holocaust Survivors:

- Reparations Assistance
- Home Care Services
- Care Management
- Food
- Emergency Financial Assistance
- Medical and Dental Care
- Counseling & Psychiatry Services
- Socialization
- Advocacy

Over the last five years, our Jewish Family Service agencies in Palm Beach County* have provided 1,172 local Holocaust survivors with:

\$73,730,954 Spent for in-home care, care management, financial assistance, medical and dental care and socialization.

3,240,223 Hours of in-home care.

106,600 Hours of care management.

*Combined Palm Beach County information for Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service and Ruth & Normal Rales Jewish Family Services.

For more information about the Alpert Jewish Family Service Holocaust Survivor Assistance Program, please call (561) 684-1991 or visit www.AlpertJFS.org





Why I Give: Lesley Sheinberg

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." - Aesop

In a world where philanthropy is often associated with grand gestures and sizable donations, Alpert JFS Board member Lesley Sheinberg reminds us that smaller acts of kindness can create profound impacts.

Lesley's journey began as a humble endeavor rooted in the belief that extending a helping hand holds immeasurable value. Nearly two decades

ago, Lesley embarked on her volunteer path, beginning with modest tasks such as photocopying and offering support to her daughter's classroom. A piece of advice from her daughter's kindergarten teacher continues to resonate deeply with Lesley: "You volunteer to help, not with what you want to do, but with what is needed."

Through the years, Lesley and her family continued to volunteer and help families in need, especially around the holidays. She remembers visiting their homes and witnessing the heartbreak of families who couldn't afford gifts or food to celebrate the holidays. Even the smallest gestures, such as bringing a warm meal or groceries, held profound significance for these families, bringing a smile to their faces. These acts of kindness left an indelible mark on Lesley's daughter, inspiring her to undertake acts of service, organizing lessons in dance, art, and singing to low-income students in the Palm Beach area.



Life presented its challenges, causing Lesley to step away for a time. She had to tend to her ailing husband's needs and navigate the uncertainties of the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite losing her husband to cancer, she always knew that she would wholeheartedly immerse herself in community service again when the moment was right.

A few years later, Lesley discovered Alpert Jewish Family Service, and what resonated with her was the organization's multifaceted mission. Alpert JFS possessed the remarkable ability to touch lives across diverse age groups and address an array of needs. From providing care to seniors, supporting mental health, addressing food insecurity, aiding Holocaust survivors, and assisting individuals with disabilities, Alpert JFS encompasses a broad spectrum of services. The organization's commitment to serving people of all faiths struck a chord with Lesley, emphasizing the importance of unity and community strength.

Lesley eagerly anticipates supporting the new Next Generation Trail Blazers initiative alongside fellow board members Jason DelGrosso and Jennifer Lesser. This initiative is designed to engage younger individuals in the work of Alpert JFS, as Lesley recognizes that the future of the organization hinges on passing the torch to dedicated individuals who will continue the agency's vital mission.



Lesley believes that by uniting individuals with a passion for helping, we can help our communities in need. Lesley's involvement stands as an inspirational beacon, underscoring that there is always a way to contribute, regardless of one's circumstances. Every effort counts, whether through time, support, or modest contributions.

Lesley's journey is deeply personal, shaped by her early memories of assisting her father with bagels at the synagogue on Sundays, offering aid to struggling families during the holidays. She firmly believes that everyone possesses the power to help, even if it means dedicating just an hour a week.

As Lesley continues to engage the next generation, encourage giving, and amplify the message that even the smallest contributions matter, she embodies the spirit of community and compassion that Alpert JFS stands for. Her journey shows us that with a dedicated heart, we can all make a significant difference, one act of kindness at a time.

7 WAYS TO GIVE

Making a Donation to Alpert JFS is About Making a Difference!



Make a Gift Online

You can make a gift online by visiting www.alpertjfs.org/donate



Become an Agency Partner

We are more than a human service organization, we are a lifeline to the community. Your support makes our critical work possible and helps to transform lives.



Join Our Community of **G.E.M.s** by Making a **Gift Every Month**

Join our monthly giving community and make a difference to our most vulnerable neighbors. With as little as \$36 each month, you can provide snacks for a hungry child, transportation for a senior, or school supplies for a child in our Mentoring 4 Kids program.



Join Our Chai Society

"Chai" means "life." Donors who generously give a minimum of \$5,000 each year to the annual fund ensure that our agency continues to be a lifeline to the thousands of individuals and families who turn to us in their time of need.



Make an In-Kind Donation

With your help, we can fill our greatest needs including gift cards from your favorite retailer, new kids' sports equipment, and nonperishable kosher food items.



Leave a Legacy

How do you want to be remembered? By leaving a bequest to Alpert JFS you are securing and strengthening the supportive lifeline the agency provides to individuals and families when they face life's challenges.



Honor a Friend or a Relative with a Tribute Gift

Let someone know you are thinking about them in times of celebration and/or grief.
Visit www.alpertjfs.org/donate



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Raising more than \$570,000, this year's event surpassed the fundraising for any previous event in the agency's history.



Thank you to our event co-chairs (pictured with Alpert JFS CEO **Marc Hopin**, far left, and Board Chair and President **Gary Hoffman**, far right): **Geoff and Wendy Stahl**; **Dr. Allan and Cindy Schlossberg**; **Joel Yudenfreund** and **Dr. Paula Newmark**.

Thank you to all who joined us on Sunday, February 5, 2023, for our **19th Annual No Excuse for Abuse Evening** at the Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts. Nearly 400 guests came together to celebrate the life-changing impact of Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service and Melvin J. & Claire Levine Jewish Residential & Family Service.

The theme of the evening was "Shining a Light." Our agency launched the **No Excuse for Abuse** event 19 years ago to Shine a Light on domestic abuse, an issue that was kept in the shadows for far too long. The event has grown to be one of our community's most highly anticipated occasions.



"What a remarkable night! How fantastic it was to be together again, in person, for the first time in three years! And on a Sunday evening! Over dinner!"

– Geoff Stahl, Event Co-Chair



19th Annual No Excuse for Abuse guest speaker **Mariel Hemingway** and Speaker Sponsor **Doris Rothman Browning**.



Above, L to R: Presenting Sponsor Zelda Mason, Ellen Levine, and Alpert JFS CEO Marc Hopin.

The event has helped to reduce the stigmas surrounding domestic abuse and mental illness. And it has evolved to be a beacon of hope by Shining a Light on the agency's life-changing programs and services.

We continue to Shine a Light on domestic abuse, and for very good reason. Domestic abuse happens as frequently in Jewish homes as in the general community. We know that there is never an excuse for abuse. Silence is dangerous and potentially life-threatening. We understand that silence too often surrounds other painful issues faced by families in our community – struggles with mental illness, the disease of addiction, and the heartache of suicide. And sadly, there are times when many of these issues occur simultaneously in a single household.

Unfortunately, over the past three years, the isolation, loss, and stress added by the pandemic have caused each of these issues to grow exponentially. So many people are struggling – too often alone. As a result, we have expanded our signature event to Shine a Light on all of these areas.

The event's lasting impact is a testament to the hard work and support of our co-chairs, committee members, sponsors, ambassadors and hosts. We are grateful for their help in making this year's event possible.

A special thanks to **Presenting Sponsor Zelda Mason** for her never-ending friendship and support, and to **Doris Rothman Browning**, whose support was instrumental in helping to secure this year's featured speaker, Mariel Hemingway.



Above: Mazel Tov and congratulations to our Inaugural **Luminary Award** recipients **Jennifer and Gary Lesser** for their years of service and dedication to our agency. **Tami Lesser**, right, presents Jennifer and Gary with their award.



Above: Alpert JFS client **Betsy Mark** shared how she found extraordinary hope and healing through the **Alpert JFS Jewish Family Addiction Support Group**, following the tragic death of her son Andrew to an overdose. We dedicated the evening to Andrew's memory, and to all in attendance who lost loved ones to suicide, addiction, or mental illness.



Above: Thank you to **Gordon & Partners** for the firm's Emerging Leadership Tables Sponsorship, which brought 20 emerging community leaders to our event.



Expanding Our Horizons: Two New Centers to Serve Thousands More in Our Community

Last year we announced plans to significantly expand our reach with the development of two new facilities that will position us to meet the growing needs of our community far into the future. In 2023 we received a significant boost to our expansion plans through the federal spending bill signed by President Biden. The bill includes two earmarks that will provide an additional \$1,525,000 for the construction of these new facilities - the Alpert JFS Enrichment Center in Boynton Beach and the Center for Belonging and Wellbeing in Palm Beach Gardens. Scheduled to open in the fall of 2023, these two new locations will afford a growing population with increased access to supportive services. These facilities are an essential part of our overall plan to better position Alpert JFS to meet the continually evolving human service needs of our community and will help provide the visibility to attract a prospective client base that is growing and changing.

The Alpert JFS Enrichment Center will offer a holistic approach to wellness by placing an expanded food pantry, care management, emergency financial assistance, supportive, counseling, nutrition classes, career counseling and therapeutic socialization activities all under one roof. This dynamic

combination of comprehensive services will allow our professional therapists and care managers to guide our clients toward security, self-sufficiency, and ultimately stability.

Our new Center for Belonging and Wellbeing will create an inclusive and supportive environment where all individuals can thrive and achieve their full potential. The Center will be the hub of social interaction for adults with disabilities in our Residential Program while also serving the broader community of those with disabilities who are not part of our supportive living program.

With the buildout of these two new locations, we envision a brighter future for our agency and the people we serve. These facilities will provide increased accessibility and will foster a sense of belonging and community, ensuring that no one is left behind.

There are several attractive naming opportunities available at both facilities for gifts at various levels. For more information, contact Kelley Whiter, J.D. Chief Development Officer, at (561) 713-1886 or Kelley.Whiter@AlpertJFS.org.

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Center for Belonging & Wellbeing

Join Us at the Center for Belonging and Wellbeing Adult Day Socialization Program!



Are you or a loved one looking for a safe and enriching environment during the day? Look no further than the Center for Belonging and Wellbeing Adult Day Socialization Program. We offer a warm and welcoming space where people with disabilities, inclusive of developmental disabilities and mental illness, can connect with others, and engage in meaningful activities.

Why Choose Us?

- **Embrace Belonging:** We believe in creating a sense of belonging for all participants. Our program fosters an inclusive and supportive community where everyone feels valued and respected.
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Information current as of August 25, 2023



Alpert JFS Teen Fellows **Rebecca Lesser, Gigi Mendelson, Bella Mendelson, Cecily Mendelson** and **Alpert JFS Domestic Abuse Program Director Tamika Rawleigh** present Mental Health for YOUTH trainings to students at Meyer Prep. pictured with **Marisa LoPiccolo School Counselor Meyer Prep**

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Alpert JFS provides more than 220,000 hours of care to over 200 Holocaust survivors each year, many of whom live below the poverty level. We are grateful to our funding partners - Seed the Dream Foundation, KAVOD SHEF, the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County, and the below supporters – for providing the necessary resources so that we can provide emergency services to dozens of survivors each year. The generosity of these supporters prevents utility shut-offs and evictions, and provides critical home repairs and emergency needs that would otherwise go unmet.



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Zikaron Basalon means "Remembrances in the Living Room;" this program is a partnership with the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County. Holocaust survivor **Fanny Slonim** visited Alpert JFS in our living room, "Conference Room 104," and shared her story of growing up in France during the Holocaust.

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Thank you to our agency partners, sponsors, and funders for engaging with us in support of our mission. Our association enables us to enhance the lives of thousands of individuals and families who benefit from your generosity. We value our relationship and are so grateful to have you as members of our extended family.

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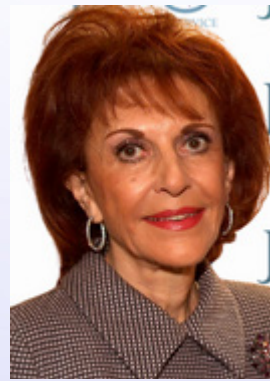
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Claire Levine ^{z"l}



Harvey Siegel ^{z"l}



Sheila Engelstein ^{z"l}



Arlene Kaufman ^{z"l}

It is always difficult to say farewell to those who we have lost, none more so than Claire Levine, who sadly passed away in February. Claire and her late husband Melvin were beloved leaders of our Jewish community. They were long-time champions of our Residential Program and were committed to making the wider Jewish community more inclusive and welcoming to people with disabilities. We also mourn the passing of three cherished supporters, former Alpert JFS Board Chair Harvey Siegel, Sheila Engelstein, and Arlene Kaufman, as well as the other leaders and supporters who passed away this year. May their memories forever be a blessing.

EVENT WRAP-UP



14th Annual Chai Society Gathering

On March 27, over 60 Alpert JFS Chai Society members and guests joined us to celebrate raising \$2.2 million dollars for our agency's essential programs and services. A special thank you to **Sandy Baklor** for sponsoring this evening and opening up his home. From left to right: **Gary and Jennifer Lesser, Dr. Paula Newmark and Joel Yudenfreud. Diann and Tom Mann, Zelda Mason, Sandy Baklor, Dr. Rob Gordon and Renee Gordon.**



Alpert JFS partners with local officials to "Get Your Green On" for Mental Health Awareness Month in May

From left to right: **Palm Beach County Sheriff Ric Bradshaw** wears an Alpert JFS Mental Health Awareness bracelet. **State Attorney Dave Aronberg** with staff mental health first aid trainers, **Mary Ann Senatore** and **Anita Schrub**, and support staff member **Carolyn Millman** from the State Attorney's Mental Health Unit. **Palm Beach County Mayor Gregg Weiss** is wearing his green mental health awareness bracelet. If you want to join our efforts to help our friends and neighbors, please sign up for an Alpert JFS Mental Health First Aid Class at www.alpertjfs.org/mhfa/.



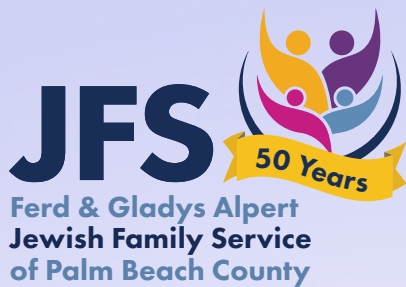
2nd Annual Holocaust Survivor Day Celebration

Alpert JFS hosted a celebration in honor of the **2nd Annual Holocaust Survivor Day** on June 4. Joined by over 100 local survivors, we celebrated their strength, resilience, and the incredible lives they have built. Survivors enjoyed a luncheon and music by Ruby's Holocaust Survivor Band. **Palm Beach County Mayor Gregg Weiss** read a special Proclamation declaring Sunday, June 4, as Holocaust Survivor Day in Palm Beach County. Pictured (from left to right) Holocaust survivor **Henry Eichenbaum and his wife, Anita**. Veterans and Holocaust survivors stand to say the Pledge of Allegiance. **Palm Beach County Mayor Gregg Weiss, Lead Holocaust Care Manager and Community Education Specialist, Eva Weiss** and **Alpert JFS CEO Marc Hopin**.



Annual Meeting at Temple Emanu-El of Palm Beach

Alpert JFS held its annual meeting on May 16; at the meeting, we recognized volunteers for their service at Alpert JFS and Levine JRFS. Top (from left to right), **Belinda Lasky, Director of Volunteering and Food Insecurity**, honors volunteer and **Food Insecurity Committee Member Margie Feldman** with the Linda White Award. **Alpert JFS Board Member Dale Rands** presents the Award of Distinction to **Scott Fuerst** of Greenspoon Marder, LLP. **Russell**, a Levine JRFS Apartment Program resident, presents the "Reb" Sol Freedman Award to **Ilene Lampert Goldstein**. **Immediate Past President and JFS Board Member Zeldia Mason** and **Gary Hoffman**.



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Sunday, February 25, 2024

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Sunday, April 14, 2024

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