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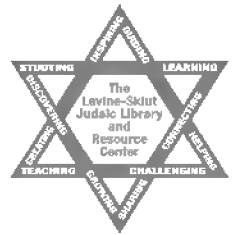
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The Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning

Charlotte has started its 2013-2014 academic year with great success. Our enrollment is at a record high. Our new and returning students have given big thumbs up and many accolades to our faculty and curriculum. While we are now into our second month of classes, we can make room for one or two more...so what are you waiting for? For

more information, contact Holly Gainsboro, Melton Program Coordinator at hgainsboro@shalom-charlotte.org or 704-944-6740. ☆



Jewish Family Services

Who is JFS?

A family helping families. If you've seen the signs around Shalom Park promoting the Family to Family campaign of Jewish Family Services, maybe you've wondered where the money goes and how many families are helped during this annual fundraising effort. Of maybe you've heard of JFS, but aren't exactly sure of what it does or whom it serves.

Founded in 1980, JFS has evolved from an agency serving Jewish Russian immigrants, seniors, and the financially needy to one that provides a full range of professional, licensed counseling, and social service assistance to the entire Greater Charlotte community.

Today, Jewish Family Services collaborates with every Jewish agency in our community, as well as many agencies throughout Charlotte. While JFS programming and services have grown and changed over time, the agency's core mission is still to strengthen and empower individuals and families through professional counseling, programs, and services inspired by Jewish values.

Each year, JFS launches our "Family to Family" annual fundraiser. The campaign is named for recognizing that we have become more than friends with our community; we have become family. Family is the core of JFS. As our slogan says, we are "the heart of our community." But more than that, family is the heart of JFS.

JFS plays an integral part in the lives of countless families in the Charlotte area. From therapeutic groups for children experiencing social issues, to counseling for the young adult starting out on a life of independence, to parenting classes and workshops for families, to providing connections between senior adults and their out-of-town family members, JFS' positive and pervasive impact can be felt everywhere. In order to meet the diverse needs of our growing community and respond to changing economic conditions, Jewish Family Services has continued to expand our programs and services.

Naturally it takes significant support to ensure that such a valuable resource continues to be available to the community. Funding for JFS comes from three primary sources: allocations from Jewish Federation of Greater

Charlotte and program grants; client fees and insurance reimbursements; and contributions from our donors. Of these sources, over half of our \$750,000 budget is funded directly from contributions from our generous donors.

Donations to our annual campaign are used to set the budget for the next fiscal year, dictating the programs and services we are able to offer to the community. The generosity of our community makes it possible for Jewish Family Services to meet the growing numbers of those who seek our help.

Be Part of the Family

Your tax-deductible gift to the 2013 Family to Family annual campaign gives you and your family the opportunity to join JFS in ensuring stability, dignity and compassion to all members of our community for generations to come.

Your pledge will help people help themselves. Your gift will counsel the children who are watching their parents divorce; it will pay the utility bill for the young couple who lost their jobs; it will provide companionship for homebound adults; it will secure Shabbat services for those in assisted living.

And it will allow this important work to continue into the future.

The JFS Family to Family Annual Campaign positions us to take care of each other — to repair the community we live in — for another generation. Please make your donation today and be part of the JFS family.

Thank You to Our August Volunteers

JFS Matters of the Heart Volunteers (friendly visits with seniors, friendly phone calls to seniors, delivery/ errands driver, meal delivery, food pantry helpers, lead or help with Shabbat services, pro bono professional services): Bob Abroms, Ben Aizenman, Myra Diuguid, Sheryl Effren, Rob Friedman, Gail Halverson, Leigh Jacobson, Peter and Rachael Levine, Frada Mozenter, Leah Naliboff, Jenny Rosenthal, Bill Schwartz, Amalia Warshenbrot.

JFS Behind the Scenes Volunteers (meal preparation, assemble mitzvah baskets, Panera Bread pick-up, office help, board members): Nancy Bernstein, Rob Friedman, Leigh Jacobson, Helene Rosen, Janice Shubin, Jeff Strauch. Charlotte Hadassah Cooks: Barbara Abrams, Susan Aizenman, Sharon Cavanaugh,

June Hirschman, Patricia Johnson, Judy Kaufmann, Penny Krieger, Joyce Stoll, Nancy Tarbis, Joy Warner, and Susan Ziker.

Holidays & Special Event Volunteers Special thanks to Charlotte Jewish Day School students and families for doing an "apple drive" for our Rosh Hashanah bags. A special thank-you to the women of the Moishe House Charlotte, who donated their time and made challahs and apple spice muffins for our Rosh Hashanah bags. An additional thank-you to Hadassah for making L'Shana Tovah treats for our clients.

We are especially thankful to the following organizations and their members for your recent food drives. Your generosity will enable Jewish Family Services to continue to provide a variety of quality foods and other household necessities to the members of our community throughout the year: Charlotte Jewish Day School, Levine Jewish Community Center Members, Temple Beth El Members, Temple Israel Members. ☆

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