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# IN THE COMMUNITY JFSA'S NEWSLETTER



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## OUR MISSION

The mission of JFSA is to be the place to go for people of all backgrounds during their time of need. We provide solutions and results to improve the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work, and age.

We believe in the power of unity in our community. We believe one of the most vital parts of any community is its people, and it's the people who can positively impact their community. In this newsletter, we highlight JFSA members who are committed to serving everyone, of all faiths, races, ages, and incomes. We are a family devoted to those seeking kindness, love, and dignity.

Here is where you will find JFSA's latest good news, updates, editorials, and upcoming events. We also take pride in highlighting our volunteers who do a remarkable job every day. It is our wonderful volunteers that make JFSA so special. We hope this helps you gain more insight into what we do and why our care and compassion are so important to all that are in need. JFSA stands united now and forever in building our community through help, hope, and support.

### **UNITED WE STAND**





## THE LATEST



Cynthia Asher JFSA Board Chair

Dr. Ken Moskowitz JFSA President & CEO

Dear friends,

We hope you had an amazing summer and we are excited to share our latest news. Let's all give a warm welcome to our new board chair, Cynthia Asher, who is passionate about our mission to help those in need. We also launched our Beat the Heat Summer Relief Campaign 2023 to provide lifesaving care to our neighbors. This campaign is ongoing, and we're so grateful for the support of our community.

In other news, we're officially fully moved into our new building! We still have a lot of work to do, but we're making great progress. We encourage everyone to come and schedule a tour.

We are also excited to announce that JFSA will be hosting its 16th Annual Help Hope Support Tzedakah Brunch event on November 19, 2023, at the Red Rock Casino Resort and Spa. This year, JFSA has started our new Breast Cancer Support Program, which is funded by the Ivan and Bernice Eisenberg Donor Fund and the Englestad Foundation. JFSA is proud to honor Optum Breast Care and Comprehensive Cancer Centers of Nevada for the work they do in fighting cancer.

In this issue, we highlight one of our most dedicated volunteers, Dorothy Boezman. Dorothy volunteers for JFSA five times a week and assists in the Food Pantry, Senior Companion Telephone Assistance Program, and the Foster Grandparent program. She provides companionship and support to seniors and children in need. Dorothy is a true inspiration, and we are so lucky to have her as part of our team.

JFSA is committed to changing the world for the positive. With the help of our dedicated staff, volunteers, board, and leadership, we are making a real difference in our community. We are committed to providing help, hope, and support to all in need, regardless of their circumstances. With your help, we will continue to change the world for the better. We thank you for your continued support!

## SUMMER CAMPAIGN



## **SUMMER CAMPAIGN**



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We Thank You!

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#### RECIPIENT OF SERVICE: HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS PROGRAM



## ZIVA HARRIS

In the face of adversity, Ziva Harris has shown remarkable strength and resilience. A survivor of the Holocaust, she found herself struggling after the loss of her husband. But in the midst of her hardship, she found a lifeline in JFSA's Holocaust Survivors Program.

Ziva was born during World War II in Czechoslovakia and her parents fled with her to Budapest, Hungary. They were separated by the Nazis and Ziva was left with a couple on a farm. After the war, she was reunited with her parents, but they were strangers to each other and it took years for the family to adjust. They eventually immigrated to Israel and then Ziva immigrated to the US.

When her husband died, Ziva was traumatized and emotionally distraught. Her friends told her about JFSA and she contacted them for help. JFSA helped her complete an application for the Claims Conference and she became a member of the Holocaust Survivors at JFSALV.

JFSA provides Ziva with home care, food from the food pantry, gift cards for food, assistance with completing forms, referrals to other organizations, and social events. They also paid for an air handler in her home when her air conditioning system broke down. Ziva is grateful for the services JFSA provides and says they "look out for me." She especially enjoys the company of her PCA and the social events that JFSA hosts.

Ziva's story is a testament to the transformative power of JFSA's Holocaust Survivors Program. It is a reminder that even in the darkest of times, there is always hope. With the support of generous donors, JFSA is able to provide essential services to Holocaust survivors, ensuring that they are not forgotten.

When you donate to JFSA, you are helping to save lives. You are providing survivors with the resources they need to live with dignity and respect. You are also sending a message of hope and compassion.

Please consider making a donation to JFSA's Holocaust Survivors Program today. Your generosity will make a real difference in the lives of survivors like Ziva Harris. Together, we can ensure that they receive the care and support they deserve.

JFSA'S Invaluable Support:
Provides home care
Provides food from the food pantry
Provides gift cards for food
Assists with completing forms
Provides referrals to other
organizations
Hosts social events
Pays for home repairs
Offers companionship.



#### JFSA BUILDING PROGRAMS

#### WHERE EVERYONE CAN THRIVE

Audrey Dicken, a Holocaust Survivor case manager at JFSA, has worked in the social services field for over 30 years. In her role at JFSA, she provides essential services to Holocaust survivors in the Las Vegas community. She is passionate about her work and feels privileged to serve her clients.

Audrey believes that her shared Jewish heritage and culture with her clients allows her to connect with them on a deeper level. She has witnessed firsthand the impact that JFSA's services have on the lives of Holocaust survivors. She is proud to be a part of an organization that provides such a valuable service to the community and is committed to helping her clients live comfortably in their homes for as long as possible.

Audrey encourages the Las Vegas community to refer any Jewish Holocaust survivors to JFSA. She believes that JFSA is uniquely equipped to provide the support and services that survivors need. She also encourages the community to support JFSA's work so that they can continue to provide this essential service.

In Audrey's view, JFSA is a beacon of help, hope, and support for Holocaust survivors. The organization provides a safe and welcoming space where survivors can connect with others, receive care, and access essential services. Dicken is proud to be a part of JFSA and is committed to making a difference in the lives of Holocaust survivors.



#### MAKING AN IMPACT: FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM



"JFSA is a wonderful organization that provides a variety of essential services to the community. I am proud to be a part of the Foster Grandparent program with this organization. I encourage others to get involved with JFSA and make a difference in the lives of children and seniors."

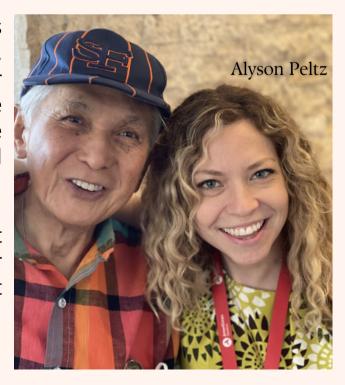
Cornelia Jackson became a Foster Grandparent in 2015 and says she loves working with JFSA. She feels welcomed by the staff and enjoys working with the children. She believes she is making a difference by helping children learn to read. She appreciates JFSA's commitment to the community and believes they are a valuable resource.

#### JFSA STAFF SPOTLIGHT: ALYSON PELTZ

Alyson moved to Las Vegas from the East Coast and started working for JFSA in June 2022. Alyson is the Foster Grandparent Program Director, and matches senior volunteers with children in need. She loves her job and feels proud to be making a difference in the lives of both children and seniors.

"I know I'm making a difference in people's lives directly in my community," she said. "Through my program, I'm helping senior volunteers stay busy and engaged while also helping children learn from supportive adults who care. JFSA truly cares and everyone is treated with dignity."

If you're interested in learning more about the Foster Grandparent Program or other JFSA programs, please visit our website at www.JFSALV.org or call 702-732-0304.



## **UPCOMING EVENT**

## JFSA'S 16th Annual Help & Hope & Support

Tzedakah Brunch Event
RED ROCK CASINO RESORT AND SPA



Honoring Optum Breast Care & Comprehensive Cancer Centers of Nevada

Celebrating the Breast Cancer Support Initiative Grant funding provided by the Engelstad Foundation

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Dorothy Bozeman has been a dedicated volunteer at JFSA since 2018. She has served in the food pantry and the Senior Companion Program, providing assistance and friendship to seniors in need. Dorothy is a valuable asset to JFSA, and her contributions are greatly appreciated.

Dorothy is passionate about helping others, and she finds great satisfaction in volunteering. She says that volunteering at JFSA is "the noble act to serve others in your community and to truly make a difference in people's lives each and every day."

We are grateful for Dorothy's commitment to JFSA and her dedication to making a difference in the lives of others. If you are interested in volunteering at JFSA, please contact us online at JFSALV.ORG or call 702.732.0304.

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#### EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Financial Assistance Second Step Homeless Program Food Pantry 02

### BEHAVIORAL SERVICES

Counseling Program
The Center for
Assessment &
Educational Services
Breast Cancer Care
Program
Personal Care
Management Program

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### SENIOR SERVICES

Senior Lifeline
Program
Senior Companion
Program
Holocaust Survivors
Assistance Program



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### NEVADA CARE CONNECTION

Nevada Care Connection is a program of JFSA, funded by the State of Nevada. Nevada Care Connection works with older adults and people with disabilities, to explore a variety of services, resources, and programs available to them



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