

Community Wish List

Summer/Fall 2021

Updated as of Sept. 24



**JEWISH
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**
OF GREATER HARTFORD



OUTREACH

Jewish Learning Fellowship University of Hartford Hillel

Your grant will help Jewish Learning Fellowship (JLF) participants build community with other students by asking and discussing “big questions” through shared meals and meaningful dialogue. JLF is a 10-week experiential, conversational seminar for students seeking to deepen their understanding of Judaism on their own terms.

\$3,000

When Hope is not in Sight: Mental Wellness on Campus University of Hartford Hillel

For more than 25 years, Scott Fried has lectured to over 1 million teenagers and adults about mental health in nearly every U.S. state, and Israel, England, Canada and Holland. Your grant will fund Scott's visit to UHart to speak to students and the greater UHart campus community.

\$3,000

B'nai Mitzvah and Banquet UConn Hillel

There are many Jewish students at UConn who did not have a formal bar/bat mitzvah and are eager to have this experience, according to a recent survey. Your grant will fund a B'nai Mitzvah and Banquet for students to enjoy, including decorations, food and Judaica gifts, such as a Kiddush cup or yad.

~~\$1,500~~ FULLY FUNDED



Hillel Hits the Road UConn Hillel

Please consider funding a trip to New York City where students will visit the Museum of Jewish Heritage to learn about Jewish life before, during and after the Holocaust. They'll also take a “Foodie New York Jewish Lower East Side Walking Tour” to learn about (and taste!) foods introduced by Jewish immigrants.

\$2,500

Butterfly Project Mandell Jewish Community Center

The educational Global Butterfly Project memorializes children lost in the Holocaust. Your grant will provide funding for butterfly painting kits and to show the film “Not The Last Butterfly” to community members, plus additional materials for a community sculpture using the painted butterflies, kiln fees and licensing fees. Community organizations will be invited to participate.

~~\$2,500~~ FULLY FUNDED

This newsletter highlights activities you can partially or fully fund to keep our community strong and vibrant. Thank you for your support!

Website Update

Voices of Hope

Voices of Hope (VOH) needs your assistance promoting the new Holocaust Education Resource & Outreach Center and new legislation mandating Holocaust and Genocide Education. Your grant will help VOH create an enhanced user-friendly website to highlight these initiatives, as well as underscore the nonprofit's growth and new programming.

~~\$3,000~~ FULLY FUNDED

2022 Holocaust Survivor Day

Voices of Hope

This year, June 26 was designated as the inaugural Holocaust Survivor Day to celebrate the lives they built in response to the Holocaust. Please consider funding a new annual celebration for survivors and their families in June 2022, which will include an exhibit highlighting their lives and accomplishments, a luncheon, music, and flowers.

~~\$2,000~~ FULLY FUNDED

Crossover Cooking with Emerging Leadership

Jewish Federation

Your grant will help young adult members of the Muslim and Jewish communities deepen their relationships during a cooking session and workshop, which crosses over traditional Israeli and Lebanese cuisine.

\$3,000



SPECIAL NEEDS AND HUMAN SERVICES

Child Advocacy Training

Jewish Family Services

There are many laws/benefits that support children in crisis. Your grant will provide training to improve JFS clinicians' understanding of these legal rights of low-income children and how providers can advocate for their clients, helping them get the resources they need to lead healthy, safe lives.

~~\$3,000~~ FULLY FUNDED

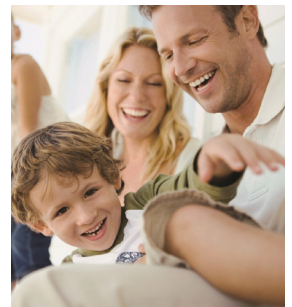
Therapists: Outdoor COVID-Safe

Structures for Therapy

Jewish Family Services

Help Jewish Family Services clients who need a more COVID-safe environment. Your grant will provide therapy in outdoor tent-like structures that ensure the privacy of clients, including tent set-up, take-down, and related expenses.

~~\$3,000~~ FULLY FUNDED



Cooking with Life Skills Club

Chabad Friendship Circle

Your grant will help children, teens and young adults with special needs learn real life skills and interact as they chop, measure and mix together healthy and delicious foods. The program keeps everyone meaningfully engaged and connected following a period of physical isolation.

\$2,800

A Night Out For Parents of Children with Special Needs

Chabad Friendship Circle

Give parents of children with special needs a chance to unwind and relax in a superb setting! Following the pandemic year with the additional workload, loss of services and respite, it's critical that we help parents who are supporting others. Your grant will enable parents to connect with other parents who can relate to their challenges during an evening of leisure.

~~\$2,500~~ STILL NEEDS \$1,500

SENIORS

Love is Two People Sitting in the Middle of the Bench

Hebrew Senior Care

At Hoffman SummerWood, residents take pleasure in sitting outside enjoying the beautiful weather. Help us guarantee their comfort by securing 12 new benches. These benches have the look of wood, but resist moisture and peeling when exposed to the elements. But, with your support, we can weather anything!

~~\$3,000~~ STILL NEEDS \$2,000

Shuffle off to Shuffle Board

Hebrew Senior Care

In shuffleboard one tries to score, prevent the opponent from scoring, or both. Our residents consider it a “win” anytime they can enjoy playing Shuffleboard. With your help, we can purchase a 16’ traditional indoor board with deluxe weights, hardwood board sweep and butcher block playfield.

~~\$3,000~~ STILL NEEDS \$2,000



ARTS & CULTURE

Student Tour of Jewish Hartford

Jewish Historical Society

The Jewish Historical Society will offer a tour of Jewish Hartford for students (secondary and college). Your grant will cover the costs of a bus and allow JHS to adapt its successful past tours into a format designed for a student audience.

~~\$1,500~~ FULLY FUNDED

COMMUNITY BUILDING/SOCIAL ACTION

Roots of a Relationship

Jewish Historical Society

Please support a multi-part course for adults focusing on Blacks and Jews: Past Alliances and Present Relations. The program explores the history of Jewish and African-American relations in the Greater Hartford region, and will be offered over the coming year.

~~\$3,000~~

ISRAEL

Shared Society in Israel: A Series on Coexistence Efforts

Jewish Community Relations Council

Please consider funding a virtual series aimed at teaching members of the Hartford community about how key organizations in Israel are working to create coexistence and peace. Each program in the series, offered on Zoom, will illustrate how groups are fostering collaboration between Israeli Jews and Arabs in creative and unique ways.

~~\$3,000~~ STILL NEEDS \$2,000

Caring for At-Risk Children

Orr Shalom

Help care for children and youth removed from their homes by welfare authorities due to parental dysfunction, severe neglect as well as mental, physical and sexual abuse. Programs provide individualized treatment tailored to the specific needs of the child, ensuring each receives the attention and enrichment they deserve.

~~\$3,000~~ FULLY FUNDED



Cancer Research Israel Cancer Research Center

During the time of COVID, funds for cancer research have diminished -- but cancer has not. The Israel Cancer Research Center has more promising grant applications for basic cancer research than it can support. Your grant will go directly to the best researchers' proposals from any Israel institution.

~~\$2,000~~ STILL NEEDS \$2,000



Creative Engagement for Youngest Learners Solomon Schechter Day School

Help Solomon Schechter Day School enhance its learning experience with flexible seating and work spaces for Early Childhood students. The school's progressive, multiage model utilizes dynamic classrooms with spaces that are cozy and quiet, and collaborative and active, to suit all learners.

\$ 3,000

Conscious Discipline Mandell Jewish Community Center

Help ECC teachers participate in a book study called Conscious Discipline. Over the next year, a group of teachers from each age group, along with members of the administrative team, will reflect on their practice and use this research-based approach in the classroom.

~~\$1,200~~ FULLY FUNDED

Think Like a Scientist Solomon Schechter Day School

Your grant will help Solomon Schechter Day School (SSDS) students engage in a new curriculum designed for Next Generation Science Standards that supports inquiry-based science mastery. Please help SSDS SCI-n-up for this program and make it a reality!

~~\$ 3,000~~ FULLY FUNDED



LET'S DO THIS!

The Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Hartford is pleased to share these funding opportunities. We invite our donors and the community at large to review the wish list and thoughtfully consider supporting these initiatives. For more information, please contact:

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