



**JEWISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
OF GREATER HARTFORD**

## **Community Action Funds Ensuring Jewish Community Forever**



*Community Action Funds can launch new projects for organizations not covered by annual operating budgets.*

**Community Action Funds** provide unrestricted endowment dollars to the Foundation to address the most pressing needs and promising opportunities in Greater Hartford's Jewish community. By entrusting the Foundation's Trustees with the ability to award grants, you can rest assured we will maximize the impact of your Fund based on the community's evolving needs — for generations to come.

### **How It Works**

Gifts to Community Action Funds are pooled together to create our annual Community Grants Program. Organizations apply to the Foundation for grants for new programming, capacity-building and emerging needs, which are reviewed by our expert staff, Grants Committee, and Board of Trustees. Grants are awarded where they are most needed.

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## **Community Action Funds**

### **Ensuring Jewish Community Forever** *(continued)*

#### **How It Works** *(continued)*

- Create a fund with a minimum gift of \$5,000 (e.g., cash, stocks, real estate, or other assets).
- Name your fund for families or individuals (e.g., the Smith Family Fund or the Jane Smith Memorial Fund) or for other positive associations (e.g., the Elm Fund).
- Your endowed fund is pooled into a diversified portfolio, managed by expert investment professionals, to maximize current grant dollars available while preserving the principal in perpetuity.
- Your fund will provide annual emergency, responsive and innovative grants made at the discretion of the Foundation's Board of Trustees.
- The Foundation handles all administrative requirements and provides you with detailed reports of your fund activity.

#### **Examples of Grants in Action**

- \$150,000 grant to the **Mandell Jewish Community Center** to stabilize its operations due to severe financial challenges during COVID-19.
- \$200,000 multi-year grant to the **Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford** to systematically identify and develop a new cadre of community leaders.

#### **Explore Your Giving Goals**

Our expert staff is ready to help you. Please contact Kathryn Gonnerman, VP of Philanthropy, at 413-475-0415 or [kgonnerman@jcfhartford.org](mailto:kgonnerman@jcfhartford.org).