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Jewish Community Foundation's Lillian Fund Grants \$10,000 to Center for Children's Advocacy in Hartford

New Grant will Support Advocacy Program to Reduce Child Homelessness

WEST HARTFORD – July 10, 2023 – <u>The Lillian Fund</u>, the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Hartford's giving circle for women, awarded its annual \$10,000 grant to the Center for Children's Advocacy (CCA) in Hartford, the largest children's legal rights organization in New England. CCA will use the grant toward its Advocacy Program to Reduce Child Homelessness.

Low-income youth and families are often unaware of the legal rights to housing services and supports, and even when they are aware of the law, they usually have difficulty advocating for themselves with service systems. CCA's Mobile Legal Office and partnerships with Department of Children and Families and health care providers are unique, and help make legal services accessible to low-income youth and families.

"We are proud to support the Center for Children's Advocacy's work to enforce legal rights for low-income youth and families, and help these families gain access to critical services that will improve their lives," say Lillian Fund co-chairs Karen Binkhorst and Lauren Fine, both of West Hartford.

Founded in 1999, the Jewish Community Foundation's Lillian Fund giving circle supports women and children in need. Members share a powerful vision: a world in which all women and children have equal opportunity for personal and professional achievement. They support this vision by funding education programs, domestic violence services, mental health counseling and job training, to name a few, in Greater Hartford and Israel.

The Foundation encourages a minimum gift of \$100 to become a voting member of the Lillian Fund. For more information, please email Kathryn Gonnerman at kgonnerman@jcfhartford.org, visit www.jcfhartford.org or Facebook.

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The Foundation unlocks the power of personalized and collective philanthropy to solve problems, strengthen community organizations, and provide permanent support for Greater Hartford's Jewish community. The nonprofit is a proud partner to the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford and a member of the Connecticut Council for Philanthropy.