

# FACE TO FACE



2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT



**Jewish Family Service**  
OF NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Jewish Family Service of Northeastern Pennsylvania (JFS) is a local human service organization serving both the Jewish and broader community for over 100 years helping people with real needs who need real support.

## MISSION

Jewish Family Service is a human service organization which reflects the Jewish tradition of caring and compassion for all people in need. Through professional counseling, advocacy, and educational programming, our services seek to enhance and strengthen the quality of individual, family, and community life.

## JFS VISION

Jewish Family Service's goal is to help build a strong and satisfying family life. We seek to provide remedial and rehabilitative services to individuals and families whose functioning is being threatened or already deteriorating. Throughout the life cycle we will promote and preserve the dignity, self-respect, and independence of the individual to the fullest extent possible.

## ACCREDITATION

Jewish Family Service has maintained the highest national standards of professional performance as required by the Council on Accreditation.

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# THE HELP YOU NEED, FACE TO FACE

## A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT

Building a stronger community and improving the quality of life for others is the core of our mission and has been since our establishment in 1915. While the pandemic changed the way we deliver our programs and services, our commitment to adjusting, adapting, and moving forward never did. Clients sought help from our agency to address concerns they may have never encountered before. Issues of increased isolation, anxiety around employment challenges, teenagers finding their way as they returned to the classroom forgetting how to socialize and feel confident around their peers, parents dealing with remote work while home with their children. JFS is here to help.

Clients come to our agency from multiple sources such as schools, physicians, psychiatrists, community agencies and mental health centers, the court system and from referrals from other clients who have benefitted from our services. JFS addresses the clients concerns with professionalism and compassion and collaborates with our community partners and funding sources to achieve the desired outcomes and improve family functioning.

JFS is here to make sure no one must face their difficult moments alone. Whether providing telehealth through Zoom, telephone or face-to-face JFS is here to help build a stronger community. This is accomplished due to the agency staff, Board of Directors, volunteers, and community support that is unwavering. JFS could not help others without your dedication, commitment, and compassion.

A community is too heavy for anyone to carry alone. JFS thanks you for helping us, help others today, tomorrow and for years to come.



Sheila Nudelman Abdo, ACSW, LCSW  
Executive Director



Deirdre Spelman, ACSW  
JFS Board President



My name is **Sheila Abdo** and I have been Executive Director of Jewish Family Service of Northeastern Pennsylvania since 1995. I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and received my Bachelor of Arts in Social Work and Master in Social Work from the University of Pittsburgh. I am proud to have helped develop JFS into a well-respected organization serving the population of Lackawanna County and surrounding areas and maintaining accreditation through the Council on Accreditation.

# WHO WE ARE



My name is **Don Minkoff**. I'm a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. I began working at JFS in 1995. I received my master's degree in Social Work in 1980 from the Wurzweiler School of Social Work affiliated with Yeshiva University. Since then, I have worked with children, adolescents, and families and have also worked as a mental health crisis worker for several years. I work cooperatively with public agencies, family court, and area school districts and also plan and implement family life education programs and phone interventions. I am most proud of the impact I have had in helping people get their life in the direction they want to be.



My name is **Marguerite (Maggy) Bushwick**. I earned my BSW from the Paul Bearwald School of Social Work at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem. After marrying my husband and moving to Scranton I first raised my family and then earned an MSW degree from Marywood University. I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and a National Certified Guardian. I have worked at JFS for the last 30 years. During that time I was instrumental in establishing the Holocaust Survivors Assistance Service for this area and the Guardianship of Person program. I appreciate the opportunity to be able to assist people to navigate their life challenges and make positive changes.



My name is **Peter J. Dunford**. I am a part time counselor at JFS. I was born and raised in Queens, N.Y. I attended Hunter College for my B.A. degree and Fordham University for my MSW. I have been working for JFS for approximately 25 years. It has been personally rewarding and a privilege to serve the individuals and families in our community, as they face stressful life events and/or mental health challenges. The staff at JFS have always been supportive and have made me a better counselor.



My name is **Lorrie Loughney**, I'm the Coordinator of Older Adult Services responsible for Guardianship, Care Management, and Kosher Meals on Wheels. I've been at JFS for 4 and a half years. My education consists of a Bachelor of Fine Arts and a Masters in Public Administration. I have worked 30+ years in non-profit administration. Currently living in Dickson City my spare time is taken up as a Commissioned Pastor, a Playwright, Poet, and as a Performer in Community Theater. I am a founding board member of the Fringe Festival and the Actor's Circle. I am most proud to be bringing the Music and Memory program to JFS.



My name is **Arthur Levandoski**, I'm the Coordinator of Marketing and Development at JFS. I am responsible for our marketing and public relations, social media, and fundraising. I graduated from Penn State with a Bachelor's in Marketing. I came to JFS in 2015 to help start the Marketing and Development position. Since that time there have been many great accomplishments, including our Community Matters event, implementing our donor database, and of course, providing the annual report you now hold in your hand!



My name is **Michele Breese** and I am the Medical Billing Specialist at JFS. I have been back at JFS since February 2020. Previously I worked at JFS from 2011 to 2013 prior to relocating to Oregon for 6 ½ years. I have been a Medical Billing Specialist since graduating with certification in the Medical Billing and Transcription program at Allied Medical School, Scranton in 2002. I am proud to hold the role of Super User of the Electronic Health Records program implemented in March 2021, teaching and guiding our staff to work smarter not harder!



My name is **Heather Greene**, I joined JFS in February 2022 as the Business Manager, assisting the Executive Director in the financial management of the agency. My responsibilities include preparation of financial statements and budgets, assisting with grant applications, managing billing, working with auditors as well as preparing payroll. I received my bachelor's degree in Business Administration and master's degree in Public Administration. JFS's mission and values encompass so much of what is important to me. I feel fortunate to work with such an incredible group of people and to be a part of the exceptional legacy of JFS.



Hello, my name is **Barb Eagen**, I was born and raised in Scranton, PA. I have been the Administrative Assistant at JFS for the past year. I have 28 years of experience in fast-paced office settings. My responsibilities include assisting staff, clients, Board of Directors, answering phones, mailings, scheduling, supply requisition, various correspondence, and "other duties as assigned." I enjoy working at JFS, where every day is different and there is always something to do. I am most proud to be part of an agency whose mission is caring and compassion for all people in need.

# VOLUNTEERING

Volunteerism significantly impacts the quality of life of our communities. Volunteer voices bring cheerful greetings into social isolation. They offer caring and concern. Non-profits everywhere rely on volunteers to make their mission spring to life.

Best of all, volunteering is simply a fun way to spend time!

The ladies from the Hamlin Knitting Group (pictured at right) enjoy spending time together knitting and keeping JFS supplied with scarfs, hats, gloves, and even some cuddly companions. We thank them for their continued donations and support which helps keep our community warm!



## MEET OUR JFS VOLUNTEERS



Diane Brown  
Volunteer Since 2022



Semen Flexer  
Volunteer Since 2009



Deborah Fink  
Volunteer Since 2018



Rick Gelb  
Volunteer Since 2014



Murray Glick  
Volunteer Since 2011



Janet Holland  
Volunteer Since 2001



Marshall Needle  
Volunteer Since 2009



Nancy Post  
Volunteer Since 2019

# JFS RESETTLEMENT STORY: MAKING AN IMPACT, 30 YEARS LATER

Alex Groysman was born in Kiyv, Ukraine in 1981 during the subjugation of the Soviet Regime. Like most Jewish families, they experienced religious, economic, educational, and political oppression and discrimination.

On his 10th birthday, Ukraine declared its independence from the Soviet Union. A few months later, he and his family took a taxi, a train trip, two flights, and several van rides to their new home in Scranton's Hill Section.

From the moment they arrived at Avoca International Airport JFS was there. JFS arranged a fully furnished apartment stocked with groceries and paid the rent and utilities for the first few months to help the Groysman family get back on their feet.

Thirty years later, they find themselves in disbelief, watching live on television, the events they expected to transpire when they first fled the Soviet Union, never actually thinking they would come to fruition.

Remembering how JFS once helped their family under similar circumstances, they formed the Scranton 4 Ukraine Association with the goal of raising funds for a new wave of Ukrainian refugees.



“My brother and I were very fortunate to come to America at a young age and place ourselves in a position where we can make a difference. If we can improve the lives of just one refugee family, all our efforts will be worth it.”



# LEGACY THAT MATTERS

FRANK NUTIS

BY SHEILA CUTLER

My dad Frank Nutis, was a life member of Beth Jacob Congregation, Agudas Achim Synagogue, Ahavas Sholom Synagogue, and a member of Beth Shalom Synagogue in Scranton, PA. He was a lifelong advocate for Jewish education. He founded the original Ohio State University Chabad House, the Agudas Achim Pre-school as well as the Beth Jacob Pre-School. He sponsored weekly educational lunches at our family business, open to the entire community. Most importantly he was a founder of The Columbus Torah Academy where I received my Jewish education.

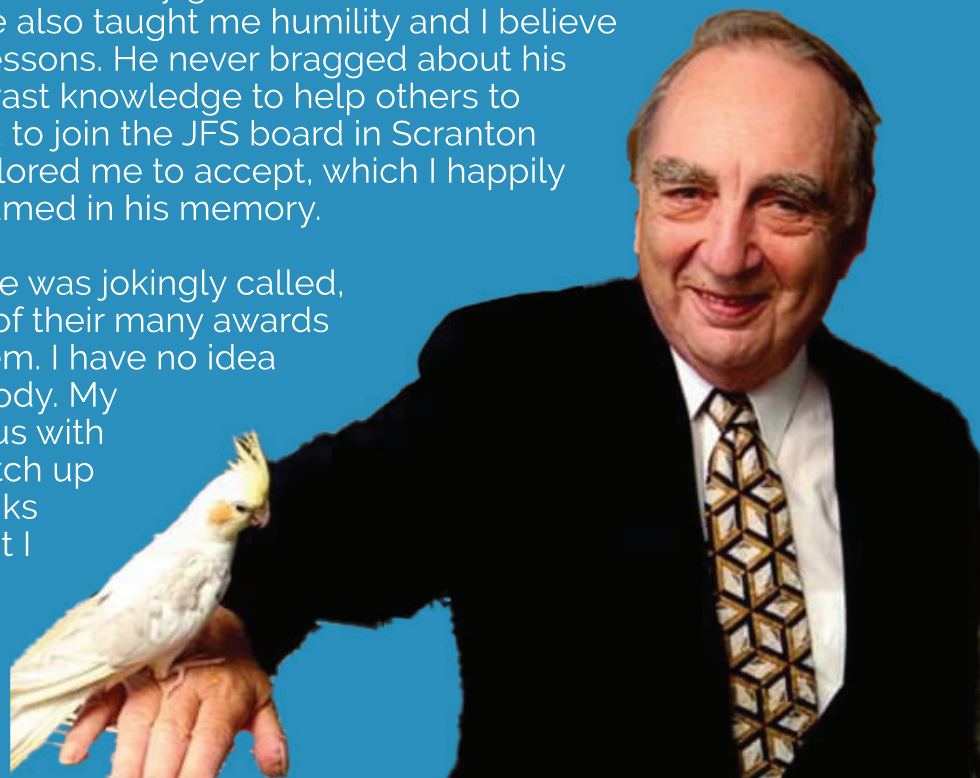
Dad was the major supporter of the Soviet Jewish Immigrants who came to Central Ohio. He founded the New Americans Association and the Hebrew Free Loan Society to help them establish themselves in our community. The Columbus Jewish Family Services recognized him for his leadership in assisting Jewish Immigrants by presenting him three separate awards. For every Jewish holiday my dad would sponsor and help assemble food baskets for the "New Americans".

As a frequent traveler to Israel, he led hundreds of Columbus residents on pilgrimages and the State of Israel presented him with the Ministry of Tourism, Tower of David, and Israel Solidarity awards.

But my father was so much more than all his awards and merits. He instilled in me, from a very young age, the commitment to help others, no matter who they were. He nurtured my love of animals and taught me lessons from the Torah on how to care for them: I could never eat a meal until my animals were fed. I went to shul with him every shabbat when I was young. He made me feel important.

He taught me to stand up for what my gut tells me is right and to never back down. He taught me that people are intrinsically good, and I should treat everyone with the utmost respect. He also taught me humility and I believe that was one of my most important lessons. He never bragged about his accomplishments, instead using his vast knowledge to help others to better themselves. When I was asked to join the JFS board in Scranton my father was thrilled for me. He implored me to accept, which I happily did. Today the JFS waiting room is named in his memory.

The main hallway in my parents' home was jokingly called, "The Hall of Fame" as it displayed all of their many awards and accolades. I am still in awe of them. I have no idea how he had so much time for everybody. My parents were both extremely generous with their time and wealth. I may never catch up to all their accomplishments but thanks to their guidance and encouragement I feel I'm on the right road.





# LEGACY SPOTLIGHT

## BEVERLY KLEIN

A loyal and dedicated friend; Bev was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. She loved to cook and bake, especially for other people. Bev was a past membership Vice President of (Scranton) Hadassah, and past cochair of Women's Division Of United Jewish Appeal. She sat on the board of Jewish Family Services until her passing.



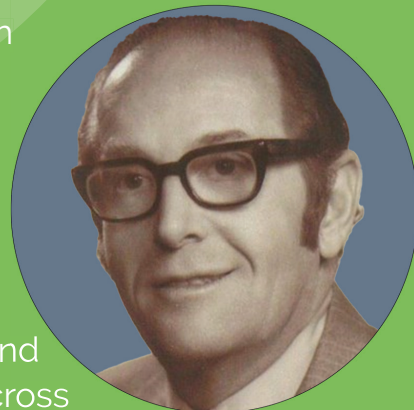
## JANE OPPENHEIM

Jane Oppenheim, who passed away in June 2021, led a productive life. She was heavily involved in community service, in her adoptive home of Scranton (from NYC) after marrying the late Richard Oppenheim. Both Richard and Jane, believed in giving back to the community. Soon after moving to Scranton in 1950, Jane became actively involved in a variety of organizations focused on improving education, social services and the arts. As a community leader she served on countless boards, including Keystone College, University of Scranton, United Neighborhood Centers, VAC, Junior League, Everhart, Temple Hesed, CMC, Scranton Area Foundation and many national and Jewish organizations. She received numerous awards for her achievements. Jane also felt strongly about and supported Jewish Family Service of NEPA. In 2018 she was recognized by JFSNEPA for her lifetime of service. Jane's legacy will live on through her loving children (3), their spouses, grandchildren and great grandchildren.



## ALFRED REICH

Alfred Reich lived in Peckville all his life. After high school, On March 4, 1944, Alfred enlisted in the United States Army Signal Corp and achieved the rank of staff sergeant. In 1946, after his discharge, he graduated from the University of Scranton in 1948, became a certified public accountant, and opened his own practice in the 1960s. Alfred lived a wonderful life, never spoiling himself with material goods but very quietly sharing all he had to help others. After his passing in 2021, he continued to help, sharing his wealth, and making a difference in the Scranton community as well as others across NY, Los Angeles, and Israel.



# LEGACY DONORS

JFS recognizes our Legacy Donors who have informed us of their intent to leave a bequest to JFS, those of blessed memory who have already left such a gift and those who have made a monetary gift to a JFS Endowment in their lifetime.

## **Anonymous**

Estate Gift

## **Evelyn Berger**

Estate Gift

## **Faye Bernstein**

Estate Gift

## **Sheila Cutler**

In Memory of her father Frank R. Nutis

## **Jerome H. Denner**

Estate Gift

## **Joseph Ecker**

In memory of his wife Pearl Ecker

## **James F. Ellenbogen**

Memorial Fund Legacy Gift

## **Moses Fragin**

Estate Gift

## **Sheri & Barry Finkelstein Fund**

Legacy Endowment Fund

## **Friedman Family of Taylor**

Charitable Remainder Trust Estate Gift

## **Miriam E. Friedman**

Estate Gift

## **Mae S. Gelb**

Estate Gift

## **Jerome Edward Giles**

Estate Gift

## **Florence Grossman**

Estate Gift

## **Dr. Harry & Joyce Kroll**

Estate Gift

## **Jennie Levy Family Trust**

Estate Gift

## **Ann Moskowitz**

In Memory of her husband I. Leo Moskowitz

## **Libby Myers**

Estate Gift

## **Alfred H. Reich**

Estate Gift

## **Herb Rosen**

Charitable Remainder Unitrust Estate Gift

## **Filmore Rosenstein**

In Memory of his wife Jean Rosenstein

## **Betsy Rosenthal**

Legacy Beneficiary Gift

## **Barbara Sapsowitz Fund**

Legacy Memorial Fund

## **Ruth Stahler Davis**

Estate Gift

## **Marcy Taylor**

In Memory of her mother Ann Levy Goldberg

## **Donato C. Telesca**

Charitable Remainder Unitrust Estate Gift

## **Pearl Weisberger**

Revocable Living Trust Estate Gift

# 2021-22 PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS



JFS met with Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine as part of the Family and Community Centered Experience. This is a new community engagement opportunity for students to take part in during their time at the college.

Beth Shalom Academy had the opportunity to create gift bags for the JFS Kosher Meals on Wheels program. They included homemade Chanukah cookies, chocolate gelt, apple sauces, and a Chanukah card from the students wishing the recipients a Happy Chanukah.



JFS Older Adult Services Coordinator Lorrie Loughney, NCG, MPA met with Life Geisinger Outreach and Enrollment Coordinator Maria Maletta-Hastie to learn about their programs and services and ways to collaborate.



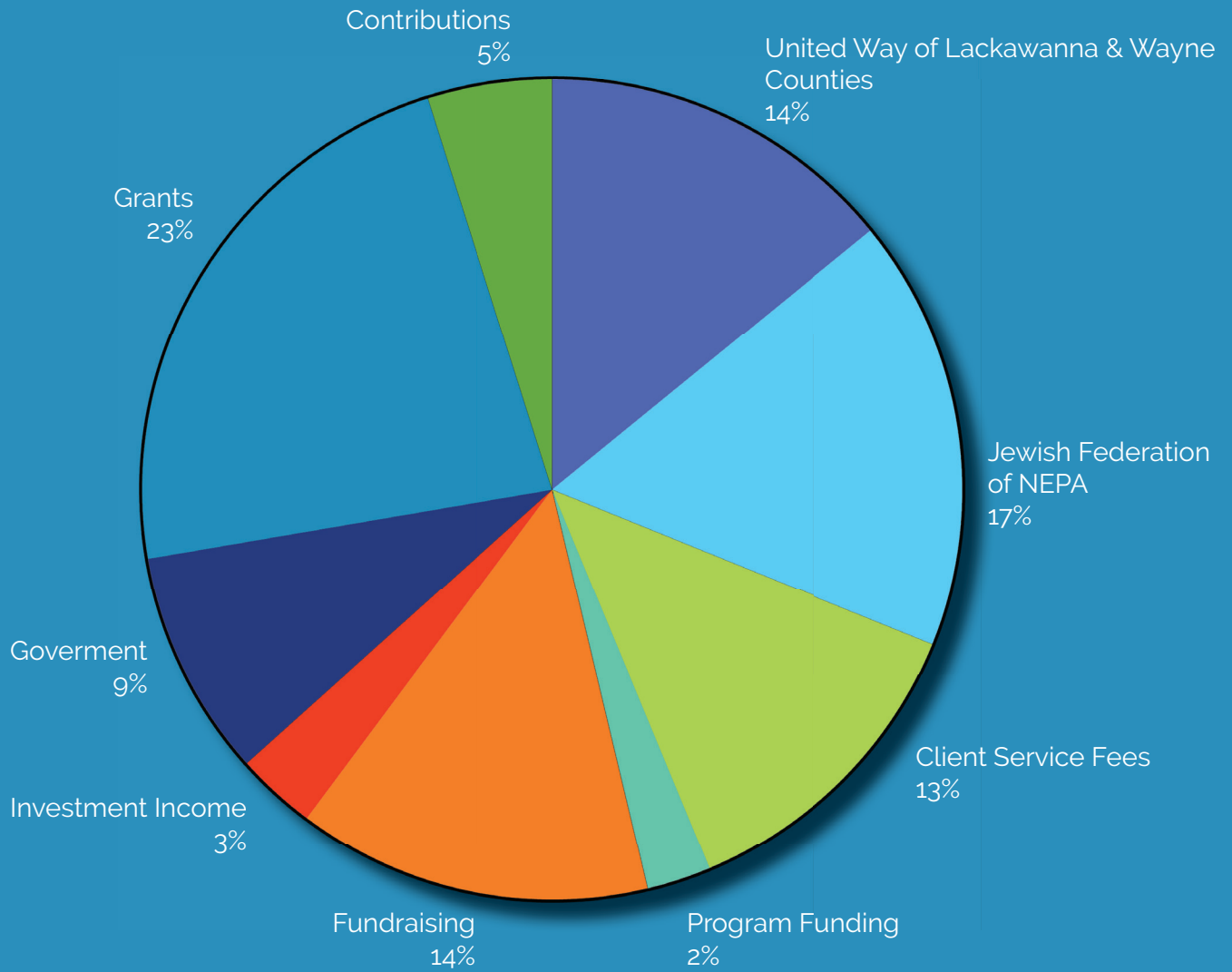
This past June JFS got a visit from members of The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation. Jon Hornstein and Earl Millett were making the rounds visiting the organizations they support to learn more about each one and explore new ways to continue to help.



# FINANCIALS

## SUPPORT & REVENUE

\$530,866



## IN-KIND DONORS



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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

## JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE OF NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

JUNE 30, 2021

(With Summarized Financial Information as of June 30, 2020)

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 235,151	\$ 220,693
Accounts Receivable, net	25,398	41,070
Prepaid Expenses	13,453	9,347
<u>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</u>	<u>274,002</u>	<u>271,110</u>
<u>INVESTMENTS (including restricted assets of \$86,848)</u>	<u>656,696</u>	<u>472,955</u>
<u>PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT</u>		
Leasehold Improvements	157,944	157,944
Equipment and Furniture	92,811	79,931
Subtotal	250,755	237,875
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	164,279	143,621
<u>TOTAL PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>86,476</u>	<u>94,254</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 1,017,174</u>	<u>\$ 838,319</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ 1,266
Accrued Wages and Expenses	18,782	12,106
Deferred Revenue	20,000	10,000
PPP Loan Payable	-	93,900
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES</u>	<u>38,782</u>	<u>117,272</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		
Without Donor Restrictions	891,544	634,105
With Donor Restrictions	86,848	86,942
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u>	<u>978,392</u>	<u>721,047</u>
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 1,017,174</u>	<u>\$ 838,319</u>

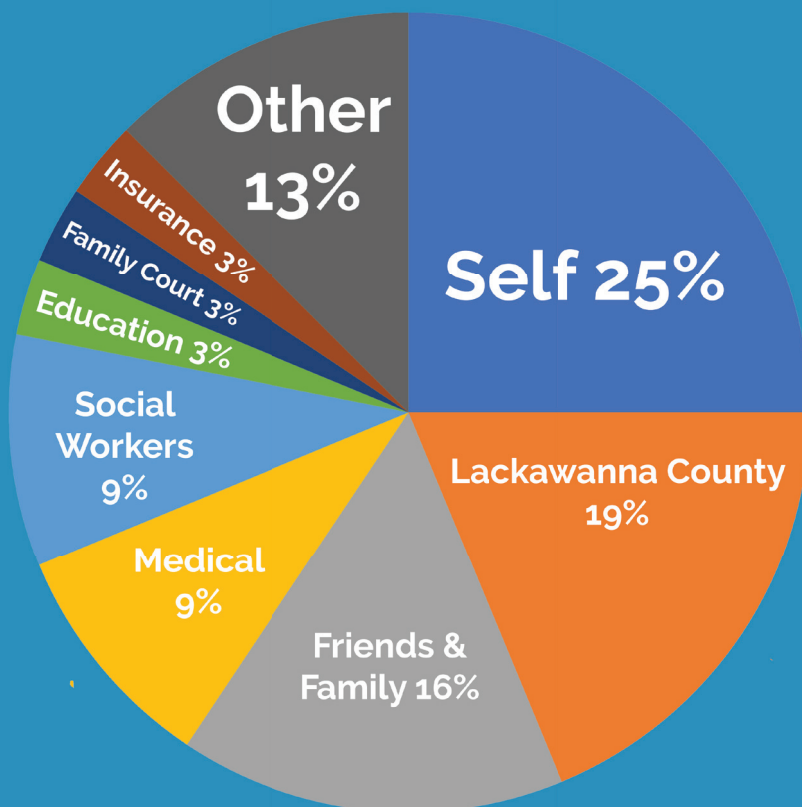
The official registration and financial information of Jewish Family Service of Northeastern Pennsylvania may be obtained from The Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, in Pennsylvania, (800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

# MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Jewish Family Service provides confidential, professional counseling services for families, couples, individuals and groups experiencing a variety of problem areas. Treatment areas include addiction, domestic abuse, depression, panic and anxiety disorders and adjustment difficulties. Relationship enhancement skills are also provided to improve communication, parenting, self-esteem and general quality of life. Information and referral to community resources are also offered.

Jewish Family Service is a participating provider with many insurance companies and accepts Medicare and Medicaid. A sliding fee scale is also offered based on family size and income. Our social workers are licensed clinical social workers in the State of Pennsylvania. Jewish Family Service is accredited for outpatient mental health service by the Council on Accreditation.

## REFERRAL SOURCES



### Total Units for 2021/2022

1,070

### Zoom Sessions

492

### Telephone Sessions

578

### Lackawanna County Total Units

901

**Sessions Outside  
Lackawanna County  
19% of total units for the year.**



Jewish Family Service of Northeastern Pennsylvania is proud to be supported by grants from the Robert H. Spitz Foundation. Grants from the Robert H. Spitz assist with General Operating Support for the organization. These grants are administered by the Scranton Area Community Foundation.

## FINANCIAL AID/ HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE

Short-term financial assistance for rent, utilities, food, or other emergency needs is provided for individuals and families experiencing financial difficulties. The Holiday Assistance Program ensures that the beauty of the Jewish Holidays is shared throughout the year.

## FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION

JFS offers education and enrichment through lectures, guest speakers, workshops on topics relevant to family life, Jewish identity and current issues. Education and support groups provide educational, supportive, and preventive services to improve emotional well-being and promote self-sufficiency, personal growth, development, resilience, and wellness.

- depression and anxiety
- relationship issues
- social isolation
- motivation
- life transitions
- abuse
- eating disorders
- body image
- academic challenges
- bullying
- grief and loss
- sexual abuse
- ptsd
- addiction
- aging
- ocd
- self harm
- trauma

# ADULT GUARDIANSHIP OF PERSON

## 36 Guardian Clients, 244 Guardian Visits in 2021/2022

JFS provides comprehensive Guardianship of Person Service to those individuals who have been determined by the court to be incapacitated and no longer able to make their own life decisions. Jewish Family Service's duties as Guardian of Person include making daily decisions about the individual's personal affairs, maximizing his/her right to self-determination, and asserts the rights and interests of the individual. Guardianship respects the wishes and preferences of the individual to the greatest extent possible, encourages the individual to participate to the maximum extent of his/her abilities in all decisions, provides required documentation to the court in a timely fashion, visits with the individual once a month and more frequently as needed and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

JFS is accredited by the Council on Accreditation for Guardianship of Person Service. Referrals may be made by individuals within the community, hospitals, long-term living facilities, physicians, attorneys, the court, and social service agencies. Adult Guardianship of Person is a fee-for-service program. All guardianship fees are reported to and approved by the court. This program is funded, in part, by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging and the Lackawanna County Board of Commissioners through the Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging.

# OLDER ADULT SERVICES/ CASE MANAGEMENT

## 43 Units of Service in 2021/2022

The purpose of the Older Adult Program at Jewish Family Service of Northeastern Pennsylvania is to promote and preserve the dignity, self-respect and independence of the individual to the fullest extent possible. The Older Adult Program assists individuals and their families in making choices that foster maximum independence in daily living. Licensed Social Workers and experienced, compassionate volunteers work together to

coordinate services for eligible individuals. Consultations are by appointment. Evening hours and home visits are available. Fees for service will be charged according to a set fee or a sliding scale based on family size and income. No one will be denied service because of an inability to pay a fee. JFS is accredited by the Council on Accreditation for Case Management. Some services may be covered by your health insurance or Medicare.





# Music and Memory

Our memories live in us and provide a framework from which to relive the best of times and the worst of times. We connect with family, friends, and community through recalling shared experiences. Through our memories we can analyze our experiences and make sense out of them.

Most of us have a sort of play list that recall our life stories. Songs from childhood, teen years, young adulthood and older ages underscore the times of our lives and can quickly bring to mind exactly where we were, who was with us, how old we were and the situation when we heard the music.

If you have visited a dementia unit in a nursing home, you may have had the chance to observe a music activity when the residents sing along to old songs. Perhaps you have witnessed people who are not able to recall what year it is or the name of a loved one singing all the verses to a popular song from their teen years. It often brings a positive change in the residents' posture and facial expressions as they recall memories from their younger years.

During the past year, JFS developed a Music and Memory project, collaborating with students from the Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine, through a new initiative at the college to immerse students in community programs. The goal of the project is to explore the connections between music and memory with the ultimate hope of developing a customized program to increase our guardianship clients' access to their memories and enhance their quality of life.

Over the past year, we have moved from general information about memory and dementia, to studying theories and models from other programs, to beginning interviews with some of our clients which will potentially form a base for a play list that they will not only enjoy, but which will help them reacquaint themselves with their memories and help them remember who they are.

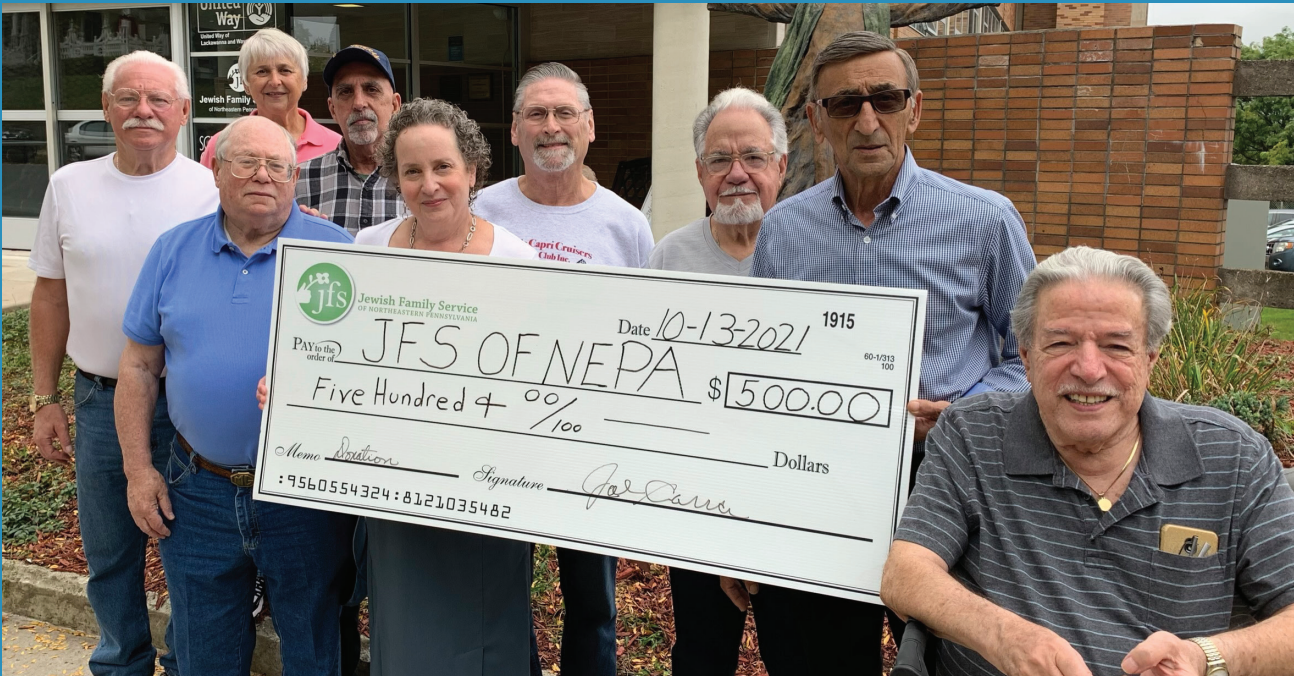
Students involved in Music and Memory:  
(left to right) Soo Young VanDeMark, Frank Vazquez,  
Khevna Joshi, Alexis Nduka,  
and Nina Gennusa (not pictured).



# FOOD INSECURITY

## MAE S. GELB FOOD PANTRY

The Mae S. Gelb Kosher Food Pantry, established in January 2001, was developed to provide assistance with food and other necessary household items to families and individuals during times of significant financial stress. Clients include the elderly who may be isolated and living on a limited income, unemployed adults in need of interim assistance and members of our community who are struggling financially due to difficult family situations or declining health. Clients can make a self-referral to the Kosher Food Pantry or may be referred by family, friends and/or other social service agencies. If a client is known to this agency and receiving services in another program area, their social worker may also refer. An appointment must be made with an agency social worker to complete a Kosher Food Pantry screening form. If determined that the client is eligible for pantry services, the worker will accompany the client to shop in the pantry area. The Food Pantry is supported by donations from the Gelb Foundation, generous community members, synagogues and other Jewish organizations.



Villa Capri Cruisers Car Club Inc. support JFS each year with a check in support of the Mae S. Gelb Kosher Food Pantry. We thank the guys and gals from Villa Capri who support us each year with a donation.

(From left to right: Frank Valvano, Patti Valvano, Mike Greenstein, Sheila Nudelman Abdo, Nick Tielli, Dave Thomas, Sal Pizzo, Joe Carra and Mike Macedonia)

## KOSHER MEALS ON WHEELS

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JFS, in cooperation with Meals on Wheels of Northeastern Pennsylvania and the Jewish Home of Eastern Pennsylvania, delivers kosher meals to those in need. Kosher Meals on Wheels (KMOW) are available to those people in our community who adhere to Kosher dietary requirements. The program serves those who are temporarily or permanently disabled and who require outside support in order to function independently at home. Kosher Meals on Wheels provides adequate, well-balanced, home-delivered meals to those who are unable to shop for and unable to prepare meals for themselves. The meals are prepared at the Jewish Home of Eastern Pennsylvania under Kosher dietary guidelines. Kosher Meals on Wheels is able to accommodate most special diets, such as diabetic, low salt, low fat, chopped, etc. Recipients are billed monthly for Kosher Meals on Wheels. Funding for meals may be available from the Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging for senior citizens who have a lower income and meet the required guidelines.

At JFS we are grateful for our volunteers who help with our Kosher Meals on Wheels clients weekly.

**DURING THE 2021/2022 FISCAL YEAR JFS SERVED 13 MEALS ON WHEELS CLIENTS FOR A TOTAL OF 1,790 MEAL DELIVERIES.**

The Beth Shalom Academy students, under the direction of their teacher, Miriam Raven , recently delivered lovely gift bags to JFS for Older Adults in the guardianship and Kosher Meals on Wheels program.



## FRESH FOOD PANTRY

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JFS introduced our Fresh Produce Pantry to encourage healthy food options. With produce and chickens donated, we were able to provide onions, potatoes, carrots, apples and chickens to those in need during Passover and Rosh Hashanah. The program is an extension of the Mae S. Gelb Food Pantry and our Holiday Assistance program.

# 2021-2022 ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

## **Benefactor (\$5,000 and Above)**

Oppenheim Foundation

## **Exceptional (\$2,500 - \$4,999)**

Irving & Edythe Grossman Foundation  
Dr. Stephen I. Rosenthal and  
Sara Rosenthal Fund

## **Patron (\$1,000 - \$2,499)**

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Edward and Barbara Scolnick  
Dr. Richard and Jeanne Silbert  
Deirdre-Holly Spelman  
David and Janet Wenzel

## **Champion (\$500 - \$999)**

Larry and Sheila Abdo  
Joseph & Sara Bedrick Charitable Fund  
The Bender Family Foundation Fund  
Donald Bernstein Family Foundation  
David\* and Gail Dickstein  
Harold and Nancy Kaplan  
Foundation  
Koppelman/Dinner Fund  
Morey M. and Sondra Myers  
Cindy Pearl  
Margery Rosenberg  
Douglas and Margaret Sheldon  
Society of Chevra Kadisha

## **Sustaining (\$250-\$499)**

Carl and Michele Breese  
Joan Davis  
Robert and Donna Fiegleman  
Dovid Yehudah and Gila Fink  
Dr. Jerome and Polly Finkelstein  
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