

2010 Grants

- **\$20,000 to JVS and David B. Hermelin Resource Center for “Springboard to Success”,** the first disbursement of a \$50,000, 3 year IMPACT GRANT to sustain and build a JWF funded pilot project combining JVS and ORT programs to prepare and place Jewish women in stable jobs in an increasingly competitive job market. The project will offer technical training, job counseling, child care assistance, networking and placement services and a support group.
- **\$20,000 to Hebrew Free Loan for “Building My Tomorrow”,** a fourth year of building loan capital for women seeking loans due to severe economic hardship and women leaving abusive relationships. This year’s focus will ensure that loans be made to help women have safe and reliable transportation.
- **\$12,000 to Jewish Family Service (JFS) for its “Legal Referral Service”,** to support the coordination of volunteer, pro-bono legal services to assist low income women who do not qualify for Legal Aid with legal advice and representation needed to secure better circumstances for themselves and their children.
- **\$5,000 to Beth Israel Congregation in Ann Arbor, Michigan for “Rosh Hodesh: It’s a Girl Thing!”,** allowing the Congregation to purchase the curriculum and receive training from “Moving Traditions” for an award winning, proactive informal education program that uses Judaism and Jewish values to enrich the lives of Jewish girls throughout the Ann Arbor Jewish community.
- **\$10,000 to the Jewish Gay Network of Michigan for “Twice Blessed: Being Lesbian and Jewish, Part 2 – The Golden Girls”,** for the development of a curriculum, training and advocacy program to provide senior-focused institutions and the community about the housing, health care, social service and legal rights problems faced by lesbian elders, the most invisible of all Americans.
- **\$5,000 to Jewish Senior Life (JSL) for “Survivor Sundries”,** to help ensure the dignity of holocaust survivors living below poverty guidelines, by providing them with the ability to select basic hygiene and health aid items of their own choosing.

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- **\$5,000 to JSL for “Women Rejuvenate”**, a fourth year of funding for an educational and social program with an emphasis on caring for the body, mind and soul through art therapy, nutritional cooking classes, medical seminars and strength/balance training for Jewish senior women living in JSL apartments and assisted living facilities.
- **\$15,000 to Tamarack Camps for “From Single Mom to Extended Family 2”**, a second year of support to augment a financial aid program for children of single mom’s who are unable to offer their children the informal Jewish education, stimulating activities and good friends inherent in the summer camp experience without scholarship assistance.
- **\$15,000 to JFS for “Project Chessed Women’s Heart Health Initiative” in partnership with the Ministrelli Women’s Heart Center at Beaumont Hospital**, offering free screening, testing, intervention and treatment, nutrition education, exercise coaching and peer support to uninsured Jewish women patients who have risk factors for heart disease.
- **\$5,000 to Jewish Community Service of Flint, Michigan for “Health & Education Program for Jewish Women”**, to serve Russian immigrant senior women who are poor, isolated and often far from family with transportation and opportunities to gather for bi-monthly exercise classes and monthly computer literacy classes, in addition to the community kosher meal and holiday programs already offered. Community partners include the Flint YMCA and the Flint Public Library.
- **\$15,000 to JFS for “Cancer Resource Connection Mentoring Program”**, to support outreach and part time staffing for a new project that will connect Jewish women who are newly diagnosed with cancer with professionally matched one-to-one mentoring relationships with Jewish women who are cancer survivors.
- **\$12,000 to the Jewish Federation’s Alliance for Jewish Education “Madrichim Training Program for Religious Schools”**, to develop a training manual and to train a cadre of teen girls who will work in 7 area religious schools as shadows and facilitators for special needs students, ensuring families that their children will receive the best

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possible religious education. For the Madrichim, the program will build leadership skills, boost self-esteem, raise awareness of diverse needs and establish a connection to the Detroit area Jewish community.

- **\$5,000 to Congregation Ahavat Shalom in Traverse City for “Lomedet: The Learned Jewish Women’s Project”**, to build an educational program for women in the Traverse City area, many of whom are Jews by choice, in mixed marriages or lacking in Jewish education, opportunities to learn Hebrew, study Torah, learn more about how to celebrate Jewish life in the home and even receive a B’nai Mitzvah.
- **\$9,000 to JFS for “JCADA Community Building Project”**, a fourth year of support for the Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Abuse, responding to domestic abuse in the Jewish community, so that there is no wrong door for those seeking help and education. This year’s funding will be used to build a professional advisory board, develop subcommittees for teens, college student organizations and elder adults; and for an educational outreach training video to be used at professional and community training workshops.
- **\$5,000 to National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section (NCJW)**, for “SAFE PLACE”, the area’s only kosher domestic violence shelter for Jewish women who need a place to turn for protection, safety for themselves and their children. NCJW provides the SAFE PLACE, and JFS offers the social services, emergency financial assistance, food, clothing and even transportation that empowers abused women to leave abusive relationships.