

2013 ANNUAL REPORT

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# A Message from Our President & Chief Executive Officer

**PRIDE. I FEEL IT. I HOPE YOU DO, TOO.** Pride in our Jewish community, coming together under a new model of governance, programming, philanthropy and administration that has proven to be increasingly successful for each of the past three fiscal years. This annual report provides an overview, though the best way to understand your agency's success is to experience the quality of our programs, services and staff for yourself. We invite you in to do so.

When you join us, you will find a highly energized, committed and professional team that places you first. You will see programs like our Early Childhood Education Center and Summer Camp filling to capacity. You will see measured improvements to our facility with updates and upgrades as our budget allows. You will experience Jewish content and participation throughout our offerings like Shabbat in the Lobby every week, and our community-wide holiday celebrations and commemorations. You may meet newcomers we have welcomed to our community this past year, or young families who have reconnected to their Jewish heritage through programs such as PJ Library. Your children may be participating in a variety of youth, middle school, or BBYO events that introduce them to other Jews in their age group from across Louisville while learning about our traditions, values and mission. You may be getting healthier by exercising in our new fitness or aquatics classes. You may be freeing up your creative side by observing or participating in our cultural arts programs including CenterStage, our Patio Gallery and our new art and dance classes. You may be having lunch with a group of your friends in our Senior program. You might even be connecting with our Israeli brothers and sisters in the Western Galilee through our Partnership 2Gether programs such as our Medical Task Force, educational twinning partnerships or arts programs.

And even if you aren't able to join us in person as often as you would like, we hope you benefit from the other valuable services we provide, including reading our *Community* newspaper and weekly email updates, visiting our website, and becoming more informed through the efforts of our Jewish Community Relations Council.

Perhaps you are one of the generous donors to the Jewish Federation of Louisville's Annual Campaign, including the 198 new donors this past year. Together, we raised over \$2 million to help make a difference for those most vulnerable Jews right here in our community as well as in Israel and around the world. Perhaps you or your bar/bat mitzvah created one of the philanthropic funds our Jewish Foundation of Louisville manages to ensure our community has the financial resources necessary to continue providing the valuable programs and services used by so many in our community.

If you're reading this report, you have an interest in your Jewish Community of Louisville agency. If you are a donor, a volunteer or both, thank you for your contribution of money, time and/or talent. If you're a participant, thank you for joining us. If you are a supporter, thank you for speaking positively to your friends about your experiences. If you're not taking advantage of all we have to offer, we invite you to check us out. We are here to serve you, and are only here because of you.

Join us. Support us. Help us. We are you. We are your Jewish Community of Louisville and together, we do extraordinary things.

Stu Silberman *President & Chief Executive Officer* 

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## A Message from Our Board Chair for Fiscal Year 2013

WHAT A WHIRLWIND NEARLY THREE YEARS IT HAS BEEN SERVING AS THE CHAIR OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF LOUISVILLE, capped by the conclusion, this past year, of the integration work set into motion in 2009. Under the governance of your Board of Directors, and carried out by your professional staff, the JCL has successfully accomplished what many indicated they wanted when we conducted the Community Assessment project, but some in the community said couldn't be done – the creation of a new, streamlined agency that is properly positioned to speed decision-making and effectively and efficiently carry out the agency's mission. This past year, in addition to delivering all the programs and services you will read about in this annual report, we:

- Filled our JCL staff openings with capable, passionate and dedicated new employees;
- Consolidated our operations in the Jewish Community Center, eliminating unnecessary expenditures and maximizing utilization of our available space;
- Grew our revenue producing programs to the point that several are at capacity and even bursting at the seams;
- Restored the Jewish Federation brand, one that stands for true community leadership and compassion, and created a brand strategy that clarifies the functions of the JCL;
- Infused our philanthropy with creativity and a level of energy not seen in this community for some time:
- Improved our program quality delivering what few JCC's that participate in JCCA (Jewish Community Centers Association) Benchmarking are able to do a rise in our indicators across the board;
- Collaborated with community agencies to deliver high quality educational and holiday programming;
- Strengthened our planning and allocations process with robust procedures and clear communications;
- Onboarded five new directors;
- Recognized and appreciated our dedicated, hard-working staff;
- Delivered the third year in a row of improved financial results; and
- Successfully transformed the organization into an example of modern governance, community-mindedness, and financial stability that is highly regarded by the national JFNA (Jewish Federations of North America).

I am incredibly proud to have served as your Board chair during this period of change. To those who doubted we could right the ship, I'm pleased to report we've not only righted it – we've strengthened it, stocked it, and filled it with the crew necessary to navigate us boldly through the uncharted waters ahead. I leave my term with your Jewish Community of Louisville in good hands – both the professionals and the volunteer leadership. My one final request is that you join them on their journey. Participate in their programs. Donate to their causes. Volunteer your time to help them. Always remember the origin of the words community, together and gift. For we are your agency. We are the Jewish Community of Louisville.

Immediate Past Board Chair David Klein passed away just as this Annual Report was going to print after a long struggle with cancer. His fight turned him into a stronger, more directed person. He lived every day with enthusiasm and purpose and tried not to let his illness slow him down. He was committed and dedicated to helping grow the Jewish community and the JCL and will always be a source of strength to the Jewish Community of Louisville. May his memory be for a blessing.

David Klein
Board Chair





FOR ANDREW VENETIANER, A YOUNG ADULT WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, life has always presented challenges that most other people don't have to deal with. Fortunately, Jewish Family & Career Services has been there to help him since he was 10 or 11 years old.

With the agency's guidance, Andrew has learned to live as independently as possible; and when he had anger issues and when he acted out, JFCS counselors helped him learn to manage his emotions and cope with daily life.

Today, he and another special needs young adult live with a family home provider. He has his own TV, computer and PlayStation. When he's on Facebook, he enjoys chatting with friends. Whenever he meets friends, he greets them with a big smile and often a hug.

Most days, Andrew participates in day programs that provide structured activities for him and his peers. He enjoys regular outings to see movies and go bowling.

Andrew also enjoys volunteering. Often, when he comes to JFCS to meet with his counselor and he also spends time volunteering in the JFCS Food Pantry. In addition, he participates in a program at the YMCA and enjoys helping out with young children.

Andrew is eager to practice tikkun olam by making the world a better place for himself and

his peers. As a volunteer for Arc of Kentucky, he is an articulate spokesperson for special needs people. He travels to Frankfort regularly, where he meets with legislators and has testified before committees.

"He was honored in 2012 as an advocate of the year by the Arc program," said his mother, Julie Venetianer. "He is considered to be a very articulate spokesman for the special needs

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community and he exerts as much political pressure as he can."

Andrew has even brought his message to seminars at Bellarmine University.

He has only words of praise for JFCS. "They helped me out a lot, and I guess all I have to say is thank you to them," he said. "I'm getting the best service I can get."

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- JFCS provided counseling to more than 1600 clients and family members last fiscal year.
- JFCS offered more than 270 workshops that ranged in topics from helping children with fears and anxieties to raising a mensch, to stress management.
- JFCS provided 2000 hours of free respite for family caregivers.
- JFCS provided 7070 hours of subsidized homecare, enabling seniors to remain safely in their homes.

**YOU CAN HELP!** By supporting the Jewish Federation of Louisville you enable JFCS to offer its services on a sliding fee scale, so every family and individual can receive the needed help regardless of ability to pay.

#### HOW YOUR SUPPORT IMPACTS THE COMMUNITY:

With your Campaign contributions, together we can continue providing the programs and services that support our community. Together, we can reach out to help children and families, adults and seniors in Louisville, Israel and around the globe. We can continue to ensure that JFCS has the resources to continue to offer their counseling and vocational services on a sliding scale.

Together, our overseas contributions will continue to provide much needed support for children, teens, families and seniors at risk in Israel and around the world. Together we can increase the availability of social and medical services to the many people unable to provide for themselves.



# "I JUST LIKE STUDYING JUDAISM AND STUDYING HEBREW," SAYS BRADLEY WALLER, an

8th grader at Noe Middle School and at Louisville Beit Sefer Yachad (LBSY). "I just turned 13 and I'm preparing for my bar mitzvah. It's going to be next year and I'm excited about that."

He's really looking forward to reading from the Torah for the first time and is ready to assume responsibility for doing mitzvot. In fact, he's already signed up for Jewish Family & Career Services' Pledge 13 program and plans to meet his community service obligation by assisting LBSY teachers with younger students.

"As a Jew, you've got to give back to your community," Bradley said, "like the many people who have given their time to teach me, my classmates and a lot of other kids about Judaism."

Coming to LBSY for Hebrew School has helped Bradley with his preparations, he added, "In tefila [prayer or services], we sing basically all the songs and do a mini-service like you would have Friday nights at temple."

His work is frequently reinforced because Bradley and his family are members of Temple Shalom and they enjoy going to services. "When I go," he noted, "I try to read something in the service or sing one of our songs."

Since his mother, Stacy, didn't have a lot of Hebrew instruction when she was growing up and his father, Bill, chose Judaism as an adult, they are both learning with Bradley as he prepares for his

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- Through the Jewish Federation of Louisville scholarships have been allocated to Louisville Beit Sefer Yachad, The Temple Religious School and the High School of Jewish Studies.
- Federation Annual Campaign dollars support informal and formal Jewish learning experiences for adults as well as children.

**YOU CAN HELP!** By supporting the Federation Campaign you ensure scholarship money is available to all Jewish students who need financial help to attend Jewish supplemental schools.

bar mitzvah. They have made Jewish learning a priority in their lives.

LBSY offers a full religious school curriculum, and since third grade, Bradley has been studying Hebrew. "I've learned the Hebrew alphabet and how to read Hebrew with and without vowels, Jewish values and the importance of different laws of Judaism – basically what it means to be Jewish," he said. These are skills that will help him live a Jewish life when he grows up.

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This year, Bradley and his classmates are looking forward to the traditional trip to New York with their teacher, Rabbi Stanley Miles. There, they will visit museums, and according to Bradley, "one of the oldest temples in America." He expects to learn more about Judaism and "what Jewish people are like around the nation and around the world."

Bradley is also a member of Temple Shalom's youth group and participates in the Jewish Community Center's Teen Connections programs, where he enjoys being with his Jewish friends. At school, he is a member of Beta Club and the Kentucky Youth Assembly and he participates in the Kentucky United Nations Assembly. He's also a member of Boy Scout Troop 8 with the rank of First Class Scout. He's already completed the requirements for the Star rank, but has to wait the required time before advancing. To complement his bar mitzvah studies, he's working on his Ner Tamid Award, the Boy Scout's award for Jewish scouts.

Bradley's parents are Stacy and Bill Waller. He has two older sisters, Rebecca, who is a student at the University of Louisville, and Ashley, who is a freshman at Ballard.



# WHEN BRETT AND PAUL FRIEDMAN CAME TO LOUISVILLE FROM NEW YORK SEVEN YEARS AGO.

they didn't know how long they'd be staying. Paul had accepted a job with Humana and neither of them knew anything about the city.

Louisville's warm and welcoming Jewish community and the positive Jewish experiences their children – Mason, now 8, and Sabine, 5 – have had, including those at the Jewish Community Center's Summer Camp, are a big part of why they continue to call Louisville home.

"My children both went to the AJ Preschool," Brett said, "and I think we learned about the JCC Camp there." They tried the camp when Mason was 4, and it wasn't a good fit, but the Friedmans didn't give up. "We heard there had been some changes," so when Mason was 5 and Sabine was 2-1/2, they enrolled both children, "and they loved it," she said.

"Mason was the right age to be here," Brett added, "and Sabine was in J-Tots." They chose the JCC program for Sabine because of the swimming lessons. Thanks to the Lenny Krayzelburg Swim Academy, which is included in the regular JCC Camp program, "she was swimming by the time she was 4 and that was great."

"We've been really happy with camp," she added, "and we've recruited a bunch of others to come with our kids. They have a lot of friends here and look forward to it all year."

Brett really likes the Keff Camp because, "it's most like what I had at camp growing up. ... I love that at the JCC camp, the kids can just be kids. They can play and swim." When Mason attended Lego Camp and Sabine did Color Camp, they did their specialized activities in the mornings, but still had time to swim and play outdoors in the afternoon.

"I like the Jewish aspect of it, too," she continued. "I like the Friday Shabbat. The singing gives them a real sense of community."

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- 667 campers, 20 months to rising 9th graders, attended JCC Summer Camp in 2013.
- The JCC partnered with the University of Louisville, the Speed Museum and others for specialty camps this year.
- The JCC specialty camps also let children tap into their creativity and interests with offerings like CenterStage Academy and Lego Camp.
- Every camper has the opportunity to learn to swim through the Lenny Krayzelburg Swim Academy and the average swimmer increased three levels this summer.

**YOU CAN HELP!** By supporting the Federation Campaign, you can ensure that every child has the opportunity to attend camp, regardless of his/her family's ability to pay.

This summer's tikkun olam projects supporting the Jewish Family & Career Services' Food Pantry gave children the opportunity to do things to contribute. Sabine was encouraged to participate in a swim-a-thon. "My daughter isn't a lap swimmer," Brett noted. "She's only just learned to swim, but she did three laps, and she was very proud."

A highlight for the Friedmans is Choose Your Own Adventure Camp. "Mason had done it before and Sabine never had," Brett explained, "so he would tell her all year, 'at Choose Your Own Adventure you get to pick what you want to do." As time for the program drew near Mason continued to give his sister advice – what the best adventures were and when they got to choose.

"Mason loves the late days and sleepovers," Brett said, "and Sabine can't wait to do that. They both love the field trips, free swim and swim lessons and Ga-Ga, which

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they only experience here. My daughter likes the crafty projects, too."

Brett also had words of praise for the JCC staff. Everyone from the camp director, to the counselors is caring and works hard to ensure camp is a great experience.

Brett's own involvement has grown over the years as well. When the Friedmans first came to Louisville, they joined the JCC thinking it would be a good way to meet people. "We didn't actually start meeting people until we started participating in some of the Jewish programs that were offered," she said. When Sabine was born, Brett participated in Shalom Baby, and through the group met other new parents, some of whom have become close friends. That circle grew when the children started camp.

The Friedmans also met people through the AJ Preschool, and they often encourage them to join the JCC.

Two years ago, when Sabine began swimming lessons at camp, she panicked in the indoor pool and didn't want to come back. Brett approached the JCC staff for help and it was suggested to move the swim lessons outside. "As soon as we did that, it was a total turnaround," Brett said. "Her summer ended up being great."

"I'm very fond of the camp and think it's a great thing for the community," Brett said. She now serves as Camp Committee Chair.



#### AT 16. DANIELA REUTER, A JUNIOR AT BALLARD HIGH

School, is very committed to and comfortable with her Judaism. At school, she says she is known as "the Jewish person." She's a member of Adath Jeshurun and a leader in BBYO.

Daniela, however, is not the typical American teen. Her parents Eugene and Diana, and sister, Maja, are from Odessa, Ukraine; and she was born in Germany while the family was in transit to the United States. In 1997, they settled in Louisville where they were reunited with Reuter's great aunt, Bronia Spivak, who had settled here 1979.

With community assistance, she attended Keneseth Israel Preschool (KIP) and Eliahu Academy. Her family joined Congregation Adath Jeshurun, and Daniela attended both Sunday School and the Louisville Hebrew School (now Beit Sefer Yachad). She also spent summers at Camp Livingston and this summer, she went to Israel with her camp friends. Along the way, she often received scholarships from the Jewish community.

Unlike her sister, who is less interested in the Jewish community after her bat mitzvah, Daniela has become very active. "I probably would have stopped, too," she said, "if it weren't for BBYO and camp."

Through BBYO, she stated, "I've definitely found a much stronger appreciation for being Jewish, and it is now the most important thing in my life. I'm religious now, I know my prayers say them and believe them and it's definitely impacted my life a lot.

"Not only with that, but BBYO helped me come out of my shell. I've never been quiet," she added, "but I've never been so free to be who I am. They've helped me become a leader. ... I'm grateful for everything they've done for me and the rest of Louisville."

Daniela is a member of Jay Levine BBG and has been to every BBYO convention and special activity she could since she joined during her eighth grade year. She rattled off the list: "three AIT/MITs [recruitment], two Spirits,

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

Federation Annual Campaign Dollars Support:

- BBYO at the Jewish Community Center;
- · Jewish education in Louisville;
- Scholarships for JCC Day Camp and overnight Jewish camps;
- Subsidies for Jewish teens to participate in Israel Trips and strengthen their Jewish identities; and
- Resettlement services for Jewish immigrants.

YOU CAN HELP! Your support of the Federation Campaign will help grow our BBYO program. Additional Funds will seed new and exciting program and socialization opportunities for our high school teens and provide them an opportunity to grow and experience the passion of being leaders.

two Kallahs, two Regionals, two Sisterhood Weekends, one Roundtables [executive board meeting]," as well as dances, community service activities, sports and more.

She has held several regional and local offices and helped plan many programs.

Currently, as regional program excellence chair, Daniela serves as a resource for BBG chapters across the Kentucky-Indiana-Ohio region when they need help in planning programs.

She also administers BBG's Duck Race, a friendly competition among chapters for the best programming of the year. Following each program, Daniela makes sure it is evaluated and scored with respect to specific programming goals. She tabulates the scores, and the chapter with the most points at the end of the year wins.

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The chapters know they can count on her because Daniela has lots of program planning experience, gained in part by serving on the steering committees for four regional conventions. At this year's Kallah, she planned a program that showed participants "you can be a superhero to other people by doing ordinary things" and in the process, "you can change the world."

Always looking for opportunities to give back, this year, Daniela and Elana Wagner coordinated the J-Serve event, during which Jewish teens from across the community put on a carnival for younger children.

"I've always been loud and crazy," Daniela said, "but BBYO is the first place where I was ever actually heard. ... [In BBYO,] no matter how old you are or who you are, you're heard, you can help the world in many different ways."

"Being Jewish is very important part of my life," she continued, "and the main reason for that is BBYO. A lot of my school friends haven't had the opportunity to do what I've gotten to do, like leading people and doing programs."

Through BBYO, she has been able to inspire others. Daniela has also made a lot of friends through BBYO. "My five best friends live all around the K-I-O region. Even though they live so far away, I talk to them every day. I would never have met them if it wasn't for BBYO." She has also made friends from around the country at other conventions.

"BBYO is family," she concluded. "No matter if you know a person or not, when you meet them [through BBYO] you're instantly best friends."

Daniela also works with young children at Keneseth Israel Preschool after school and lends a had from time to time at the Jewish Community Center, helping with family gym and J-Play in the summer.



# **DIANE LEVINE AND SHANNON BENOVITZ WANTED TO DO SOMETHING SPECIAL AND SIGNIFICANT** this year to mark the 10th anniversary of the passing of their

year to mark the 10th anniversary of the passing of their beloved husband and father, Jay Levine.

During his lifetime, Jay touched many lives and loved working with youth. He worked as an athletic director and devoted many hours to BBYO. When he died, the Louisville BBYO girls chapter was renamed Jay Levine BBG in his memory and the Jay Levine Youth Fund was established with the Jewish Foundation of Louisville.

Many people contributed to the fund over the years, and Diane and Shannon decided it was time to do something significant with the fund that Diane said would be "rekindling of his spirit on the anniversary of his passing."

They also wanted the project to reflect their own interests. Diane Levine is a registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator who has spent her life "teaching people of all ages to eat healthier;" and Shannon Benovitz was expecting a baby. Jayson Evans Benovitz was born July 20, starting the next generation.

While Diane and Shannon were brainstorming about what to do, Jewish Community Center Senior Vice President and COO Sara Wagner brought the Discover CATCH program to their attention. "It was one of several options that she presented," Benovitz said, "and we felt it was a good fit for our family and an appropriate use of the [Jay Levine Youth] Fund."

#### What is Discover CATCH?

CATCH stands for Coordinated Approach To Child Health, a program developed at the University of California to promote physical activity, healthy food choices and the prevention of tobacco use in children. Discover CATCH takes this comprehensive program and puts a Jewish lens on it.

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- The Foundation manages many funds that were set up to support specific programs like Discover CATCH at the JCC, in other parts of the Jewish community, Israel and in the general community.
- Establishing a fund is a great way to communicate your values to your children and ensure the programs you're passionate about have the support they need.

**YOU CAN HELP!** Contact the Jewish Foundation of Louisville today to learn how you can contribute to an existing fund or set up your own fund to meet your philanthropic wishes.

Nationally, the program partners with The Jared Foundation established by Subway® restaurant spokesman Jared Fogle.

The Discover CATCH program creates an environment where physical activity, health education, gardening and healthy eating behaviors are valued and taught. Little ones are motivated to walk, run, jump, dance and move their whole bodies while playing and having fun.

It is unique because the program curriculum includes stories and activities that really resonate with 3-, 4- and 5-year-old children. Lessons share important nutrition concepts and are crafted so that they can be used in any preschool learning center. Children have fun as they learn about healthy eating; and the PE activities,

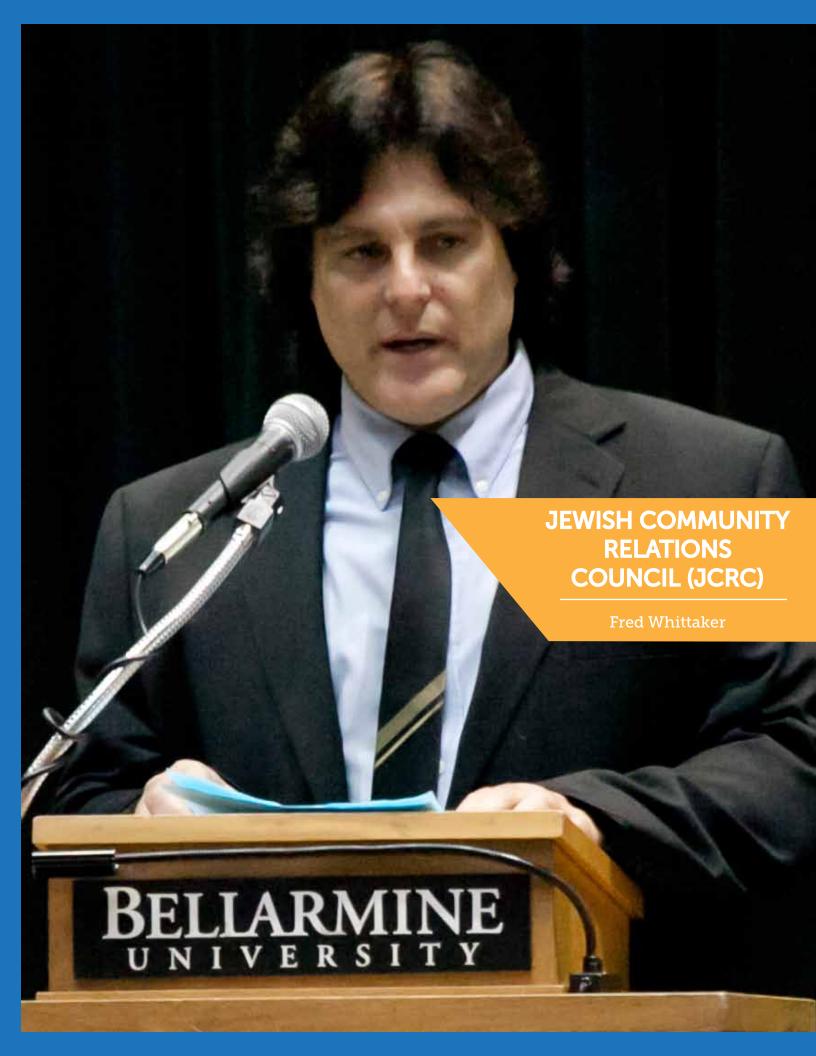
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which come with music, keep kids and teachers moving and singing. Children actively play with different items including bean bags, hula hoops, poly spots and more.

With Diane and Shannon's support, the Louisville JCC invested in Discover CATCH training for five staff members in March. They shared their knowledge with the rest of the ECE and Camp staff and began implementing the program.

Children are learning about "whoa foods" and "go foods," experiencing growing their own food in the community garden and tasting what they grow, and engaging in physical activities.

Working together, the JCC and the Jewish Foundation of Louisville helped Diane and Shannon achieve their philanthropic goals and the JCC's ECE program is actively engaged in helping young children establish healthy habits that will last a lifetime and enhancing their learning.



#### THERE ARE MANY IMPORTANT REASONS TO REACH

out to other faith communities, and sometimes the friendships that are forged blossom, expanding well beyond the initial contact. Through the years, the Jewish community has developed a special relationship with Fred Whittaker, a science teacher at St. Francis of Assisi.

"My story would have to begin with Ernie Marx," Fred said. "I met Ernie on the teachers trip that would ultimately come to be associated with his name. ... That single day I spent with Ernie Marx really changed my life totally. It opened the doors to insight, wisdom and to the creation of a brand new interfaith community that has affected and redefined not just who I am, but who my students are and will become."

Nearly a decade ago, Fred was part of a group of Louisville public, private and parochial school teachers who participated in the Jewish Community Relations Council's trip to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C., for a day. Ernie Marx, a survivor who devoted much of his time to Holocaust education, served as their guide at the Museum and, along with other JCRC volunteers, worked with them before and after the trip to develop appropriate curricula for their classrooms. Those lessons stress the value of diversity and the practice of tolerance. Fred and Ernie connected and Holocaust education became a central part of Fred's curriculum. Ernie and fellow survivors Ilse Meyer and Ann Klein, may their memories be for blessing, and Fred Gross, became regular visitors in his classroom.

Now, not only has he integrated Holocaust education into his classroom, involved his students in interfaith activities and become a leader of that trip, but he has continued his own studies in the field, chaired the JCRC's Yom HaShoah program and initiated major projects to foster Holocaust education, tolerance and diversity in the wider community.

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- The JCRC takes 30-40 teachers from public, private and parochial schools to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington D.C. every other year and helps them adapt what they learn for classroom use.
- The JCRC keeps the lessons of the Holocaust in the public eye with an annual community-wide commemoration.
- The JCRC builds bridges with other faith communities and works with them on issues of common concern.

**YOU CAN HELP!** The Federation Campaign helps provide funding to staff our local JCRC and help subsidize some of the advocacy and student support programs. Your contributions help us send emerging young leaders to conferences and training seminars to engage and energize the next generation of community leaders.

Fred has been to Israel for additional studies, worked with the Ghetto Fighters Museum in the Western Galilee to facilitate discussion among Israeli Jewish, Israeli Arab and American Jewish teens. He also visited S'derot and works as an advocate by drawing attention to the constant rocket attacks from Gaza residents of that southern Israeli town endure. He also involves his students at St. Francis in this effort.

Here in Louisville, Fred ensures that his students not only understand the lessons of the Holocaust and the value of diversity, but he involves them in social action projects to apply these values.

He and his students spearheaded the fight for the Ernie Marx Holocaust and Genocide Education Bill, putting state support behind Holocaust education in Kentucky. Their efforts resulted in the passage of House Joint Resolution

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6, which was signed into law on May 8, 2008. Now he and his students are beginning a new project to preserve the stories of Holocaust survivors that have not

"While the Holocaust will always be at the center of what I do and it will anchor me to the most important lessons I teach my student," Fred said, "it's also been a bridge to the creation of stronger family relationships between the Catholic community and the Jewish community.

yet been recorded.

"My students come to many other events at the JCC in addition to Yom HaShoah or Kristallnacht," he said, "and there is a very powerful, beautiful interfacing of our faiths that's occurring in the lives of 13 and 14 year olds. "I've been doing this long enough to know that what we do together lasts for quite a long time in the lives of my students," he continued. "The trips to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the chance to pray with cantors and rabbis and the opportunities to learn and reflect with survivors have all been woven into very powerful experience that I hope will continue for quite some time."

"I'm blessed to have been as immersed as I have been in the faith of the Jewish community," he added, "because it has allowed me to immerse myself more in aspects of my own faith." Today, he feels he has one foot in each faith and his heart in both. "I now fully know what it means to say next year in Jerusalem."

To the Jewish community, Fred says, "Thank you."



#### PRIOR TO COMING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF

**LOUISVILLE**, Josh Goodman had very little involvement with Judaism. He and his family belonged to B'nai Tikvah, a Reconstructionist congregation in Cincinnati, but Josh preferred to fill his time with music. He played French horn in the band and was so busy in high school that he didn't have a chance to be involved in Jewish youth groups.

At U of L, he's now a junior, pursuing a music education degree. His time is still filled with classes, Pep Band and Marching Band. Over the summer, he played in the Bugle Corps, too. However, he said, "now, I want to be involved in something that is not music."

At freshman orientation, he met Hillel Director Tzivia Levin Kalmes, and at the Music School, he met Bailey Haskell. They introduced him to Hillel and he's been an active participant in Jewish life ever since. In fact, today, he's Hillel's vice president.

"It's been an eye-opening experience," Josh said. "I didn't know there was a huge Russian Jewish population in Louisville. At my first Hillel event, there were all these people screaming in Russian. That's really cool – it's another whole culture I never expected to see in college. I became pretty good friends with Prov Krivoshey. He's in school in Chicago now, but we still keep in touch."

Hillel also provided Josh the opportunity to travel and participate in major gatherings and trips. In his freshman year, he went to the Jewish National Fund convention and on a Taglit-Birthright Israel trip. Two years, he attended the Jewish Federations of North America's General Assembly. He's also participated in many Hillel events on campus and enjoys stopping by the Hillel office in the Interfaith Center. "It's a nice place to relax," he said.

"Because of all the things I've been involved in," he added, "I've actually started having people over for the different Jewish holidays."

Last year, with the help of a \$250 grant from Birthright Next, Josh built a sukkah in his back yard. "My landlady was cool with it," he continued, "so we did it and had Hillel

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- Hillel offers Jewish college students the opportunity to participate in national conventions like TribeFest and connect with Jews their own age from other communities.
- When there is an anti-Israel speaker or program on campus, Hillel is there to provide materials and information for Jewish students so they can be effective advocates for Israel.

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over one night and had another party another night so my non-Jewish friends could come over and see what its all about. They really thought it was kind of cool. ... I wouldn't have done the sukkah without Hillel."

Goodman did it again this year, using the materials from last year. "Hillel came over one night," he added, "and my other friends on another. We had a great time and it's something they are looking forward to next year and were glad they could experience."

Last year, he also made challah for Rosh Hashanah, and when Josh and his friends were staying on campus for some Pep Band "gigs" during wither break, Josh said, "we would light the menorah, and I let my friends do it so they

"I know after my experiences in college that I'm going to be much more actively engaged in the Jewish community wherever I am...[because of] all the experiences...going to the GA ...Having those experiences...makes you feel so much more connected to this community." - Josh Goodman

could all be a part of it. That's something else I probably never would have done if it weren't for the experiences and being so actively involved in Hillel."

Hillel also plays an advocacy role on campus. The organization often works hand-in-hand with Cards for Israel, and many students belong to both. "There was a rally out on the west lawn, the media place on campus," Josh recounted. Thanks to Hillel and Cards for Israel, "both pro-Palestinian and pro-Israel groups were represented."

Hillel watches out for student rights, too, helping students who encounter problems in classes, like a professor who gives a test on Rosh Hashanah and doesn't allow Jewish students to take a make up exams. Josh hasn't encountered any problems in the Music School, but he stated, "they've told me if there ever is an issue they have our backs."

"Hillel has been a very influential thing in my life," he concluded, providing him a pathway to involvement in the Jewish community and the opportunity to meet and connect with other Jews.

"I know after my experiences in college, that I'm going to be much more actively engaged in the Jewish community wherever I am," he said, "just because of how much fun I've had and all the experiences, like going to the GA and hearing the ambassadors from Israel and Elie Wiesel. Having those experiences is so unreal and makes you feel so much more connected to this community."



LAURA AND JON KLEIN HAVE ALWAYS HAD A STRONG CONNECTION TO ISRAEL. For Jon, the connection started with family. "My father's family was dispersed across the entire globe by the Holocaust," he said, "and a branch of my father's family settled in Israel." Following World War II, the family kept in touch by mail and occasional visits. Now it's Skype, Facebook and e-mail.

When the opportunity to participate in the Partnership 2Gether program arose, it was a natural fit for the Kleins. Their involvement started slowly and grew into a passion.

"We had been on two Federation missions to Israel," Jon said, "and during each one, we naturally spent some time in the Partnership. We got to know some of the projects and programs that are part of the Partnership, and we got to know some of the people."

Back in Louisville, they began hosting Partnership visitors in their home, which gave them the opportunity to make personal connections with people. A few years ago, Louisville hosted a TriWizard event which brought a group of teens – six Arab Israelis and six Jewish Israelis from – Akko.

"They traveled together to emphasize their diverse community," Laura explained. The Kleins hosted two of the teens, one Arab and one Jew. "Having the TriWizard kids and making the connection," Laura continued, was a positive experience. They learned "they aren't so different from our own kids" and they enjoyed being "a small part of a much bigger project."

Later, when the Kleins returned to Israel, the Jewish girl they had hosted "invited us to her home and invited the Arab girl to come." It was a wonderful reunion and reinforced the value of connecting with people.

The Kleins also connected with Susan Nirens the director of the Kivunim program, which helps young adults with

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- Programs like Kivunim, which helps disabled young adults reach their full potential, are thriving because of Partnership.
- The connection goes two ways. For example, Efrat Srebo's Musical Kindergarten offers a unique musical approach to learning math and language skills and helps children learn to follow directions. Her techniques are used in preschools in Louisville.
- Through Partnership exchanges, Louisville doctors have learned how to manage mass casualty emergencies and Israeli doctors gained the skills they need to work with MRI's in preparation for the arrival of a machine at Western Galilee Hospital.

**YOU CAN HELP!** By supporting the Federation Campaign, you open doors to wider cooperation among consortium communities in the United States and strengthen the connection with the Western Galilee.

disabilities reach their maximum potential.

"I'm just in awe of Kivunim," said Jon. "Susan Nirens is one of the most practical yet compassionate people that I know. She truly walks the walk when it comes to caring for people with disabilities and she's devoted most of her life to it. In the process she's built this organization that's innovative and effective. There's so much we can learn from it. We're doing wonderful programs here, but they've got some very unique and remarkable things there."

The value of Partnership 2Gether extends well beyond connecting Louisvillians with Israelis and working and learning together. Supporting the broad program that connects Louisville with the Western Galilee is more than our community can afford alone. From the beginning,

"Partnership is a chance to meet very remarkable people who live and work in the Partnership" and to learn from the remarkable things they are accomplishing." - Laura and Jon Klein

we have been part of the Midwest Consortium of Communities that includes a dozen Federations from Texas to Ohio.

"My relationship with those individuals has become very meaningful to me," Jon explained, "because what I realize when I sit down with people, who are from Youngstown and Omaha, the Jewish communities in these cities are all facing the exact same challenges we are in Louisville.

"It invigorates me to sit down with them as often as we do to hear how they're dealing with the same problems – fewer resources, shrinking community, children who move away, some who come back, some who don't," he continued. We can learn a lot from hearing "how some of these communities are coping and succeeding."

"Seeing people who are so passionate," Laura added, "it's inspiring for me just to see how much their heart is in it and all they pour into it. It's good for my sense of volunteering. I want to do that."

Recently the Jewish community of Budapest has been added to the mix, and the Kleins see expanding opportunities for connecting and sharing from this new Partnership dimension.

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The Kleins are eager to find the right opportunities for interested Louisvillians to participate in Partnership programs and enrich their lives and the community. There are already programs for college students, people in medical fields, education and the arts. "On a daily basis, Partnership has something to offer, regardless of your interests," Jon said. If you wan t to connect with Israel, "this is a great way to fulfill that desire."



**KEREN BENABOU HAS ALWAYS FELT THAT BEING PHYSICALLY FIT IS IMPORTANT.** She grew up playing competitive soccer and even played professional soccer for two years in Israel.

She also feels a deep commitment to Israel, and served six years in the Israel Defense Forces – the minimum requirement for women is two – rising to the rank of captain. Being physically fit was a matter of pride. "It was easy for me," she said. "I was always fit and in shape.

Life, however, brings changes. She came to the U.S., married, settled in Louisville and had two babies. "I wasn't ready for everything it brought – like 40 pounds," she said. "I like to be healthy and in shape – it's very important to me. Also, I want my kids to grow up in very healthy environment and I have to set the example."

After her girls were born, Keren and her husband, Yariv, joined the Jewish Community Center and today she can't imagine being a member anywhere else.

"I love the classes here," she said. "For me, the big difference is the training. Also, it's very easy when everything is in one place." Since her girls, Lia, 3-1/2, and Shylee, 14 months, are enrolled in the Early Childhood Education Center, her day begins and ends at the JCC. "I drop them off, work out, take a shower and go to work. Then I come back and take them to the pool."

"The staff at the JCC makes the difference," she added. While she regards herself as fairly disciplined,

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- The JCC offers nearly 100 group fitness classes per week including cycling, LesMills BODYPUMP, yoga, pilates, aquatic fitness and more.
- Choose from 10 personal trainers, each of whom is certified to ensure you have the best fitness experience possible.
- Many group fitness classes are included in your membership and Personal Training and other fitness programs are affordably priced.
- Whirlpools, saunas, massages and towel service are also available.

YOU CAN HELP! Your gift to the Federation Campaign helps us provide financial assistance for families and individuals who wish to take advantage of the JCC facilities, fitness programs, Teen Connection, BBYO and the JCC summer camp program but may need some assistance to provide this resource for their families.

working with a trainer and a friend make it easier for her to work toward her fitness goals. So she recently purchased her second package of personal training sessions.

"Beyond the hour of training, my trainer or the director or Tara [Stone] comes over to talk and see what I do when I come to work out and ask what I eat. ... I like it," she noted.

Keren chose the "Commit to Be Fit" program, and is happy with her choice. "It isn't only about working out and doing what the trainer says. It's about what you

"For the value [Commit To Be Fit] offers, it's amazing. It's a little different than training on your own. When you have competition, it helps you get closer to your goals faster." - Keren Benabou

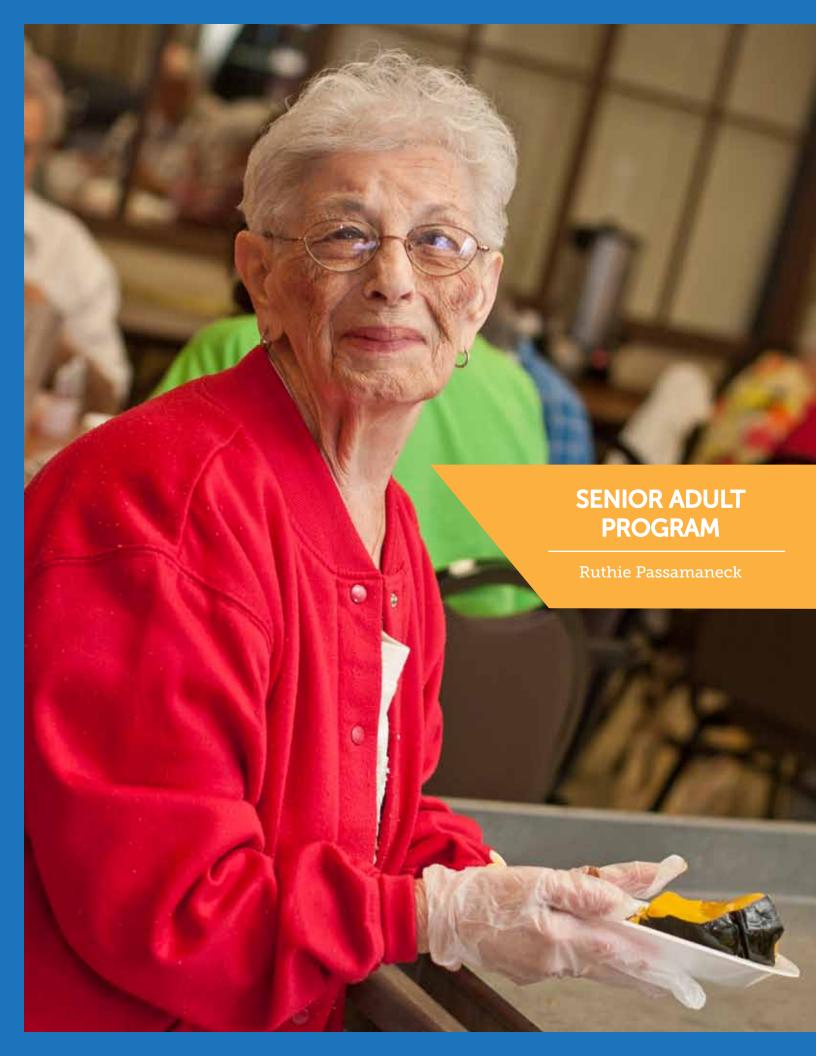
eat and what you do when you're not with them. It is help for the entire week." The program also includes a subscription for Weight Watchers online, which she finds helpful.

"The third aspect, she continued, "is doing it with a teammate – pushing each other to the maximum and to do better." In fact, she'd like to see more people in the program. "For the value it offers, it's amazing," she added. "It's a little different than training on your own. When you have competition, it helps you get closer to your goals faster. ... My goal is to lose 40 pounds, and I've lost 15 already."

The trainers also tailor the program to the participants. "Because my trainer knew I was playing tennis," she explained, "he gave me all kinds of exercises that can help me with tennis or the yoga that I'm doing." The individual plan helps each participant "build your strength and to do what you like to do. That can help us exercise more and enjoy it more," Keren observed.

The JCC is really a family place, she stated. "We like to come Sundays, the only day my husband has off. We put girls in J-Play, work out and play racquetball together." Then they go to the pool as a family.

"I don't know why waited three years to join," Keren said. "We really enjoy the JCC as a famil. Why would I go someplace else? It's just another good part of the community."



# WHETHER YOU'RE STOPPING BY THE SENIOR ADULT LOUNGE ON A TUESDAY or you're

taking a break from making calls for the Annual Federation Campaign on Super Sunday morning to indulge in some of the best tuna salad around, you are bound to find Ruthie Passamaneck there to greet you with a big smile and ready to help you if she can.

"When I moved over to Shalom Tower," Ruthie said, "Henny Witzer got me started with the Senior Adult program." Now it's a regular part of her life.

"On Tuesdays, I help serve lunches and, when we have a Bingo, I help," she said. She's in charge of distributing the cards and checking the numbers when someone calls "Bingo." Ruthie's also on the Senior Adult Club Board and is in charge of collecting the dues, so she comes to the JCC on Mondays once a month for those meetings, too.

Since she's not able to get around as easily as she used to, Ruthie relies on the JCC's van to get from Shalom Tower to the JCC. "I come on the bus around 11 in the morning on Tuesday or whenever I come over," she said. "All the drivers are wonderful to people who have walkers, wonderful about helping everybody get on the bus."

"I'm very happy to come over to the Center," she added. "It does something for me. I feel very well liked, and I try my best to try to do the right thing with the people. I've been very lucky to have this opportunity to do so much for our club."

"Slava [Nelson] and Diane [Sadle] do a lot of wonderful things for us," she stated, and Slava arranges local outings and trips "out of town to different places, which is very interesting for us."

"I'm very happy to come over to the Center. It does something for me. .... I've been very lucky to have this opportunity to do so much for our club." - Ruthie Passamaneck

Ruthie enjoyed a recent trip to the JCC in Cincinnati.

Hot kosher meals are available five days a week in the Senior Adult Lounge. "We have a great cook, Gary," Ruthie said. "And if people can't afford the meals, Diane and Slava see that they get the lunches. They're very good about seeing that people who can't afford it get taken care of."

Ruthie has been a member of the Senior Adult Club for 15 or 20 years and said, "It's very important for me to be a member. It's done a lot for me. I've met a lot of nice people and we have fun."

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- The JCC provides hot, kosher congregate meals Monday through Friday and seniors pay what they can afford.
- Working with JFCS, the JCC provides hot, kosher, home-delivered meals to those who are unable to travel and participate in the program.
- The JCC provides reliable transportation to our programs to ensure those who no longer drive can fully participate in meals, exercise, social gatherings and other programs.
- JFCS ensures there are volunteers to check on our seniors regularly when we do not hear from them and provides counseling services for caregivers.

**YOU CAN HELP!** Funding from the Federation Campaign ensures that these and other services are available to seniors and those who love them.

#### HOW YOUR SUPPORT IMPACTS THE COMMUNITY:

With your Campaign contributions, together we can continue to offer the support our seniors need from providing healthy, affordable, hot kosher lunches and socialization to offering programs that challenge them mentally and physical exercise programs tailored to help them maintain strength, flexibility and balance.

Together our contributions enhance the quality of life for many seniors in our community.

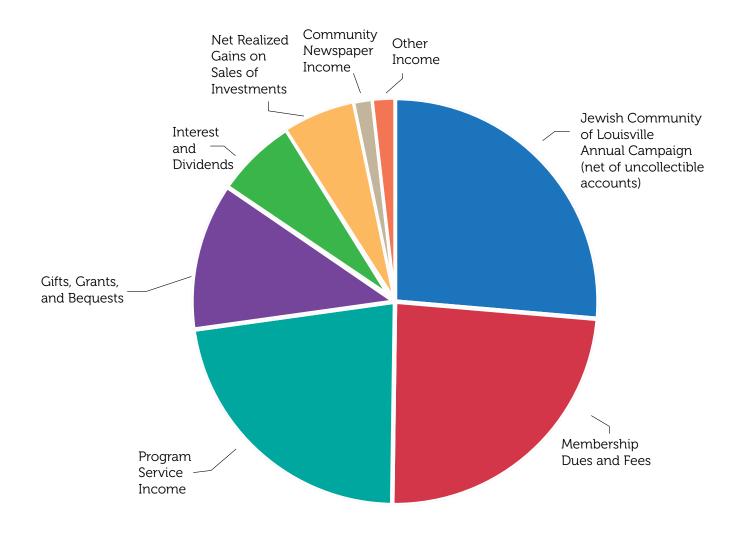
## Jewish Community of Louisville, Inc. Financial Information for the year ended June 30, 2013

#### **Revenues**

| Jewish Community of Louisville Annual Car   | npaign       |
|---|--------------|
| (net of uncollectible accounts)             | \$ 1,984,557 |
| Membership Dues and Fees                    | 1,796,773    |
| Program Service Income                      | 1,699,686    |
| Gifts, Grants, and Bequests                 | 885,529      |
| Interest and Dividends                      | 487,086      |
| Net Realized Gains on Sales of Investments. | 429,590      |
| Community Newspaper Income                  | 111,095      |
| Other Income                                | 135,385      |
|   |              |

Total Revenues ...... \$ 7,529,701

# JCL Revenue Sources 2012-2013



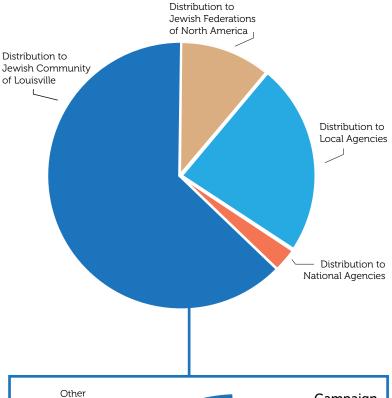
#### **FISCAL 2013 CAMPAIGN ALLOCATIONS**

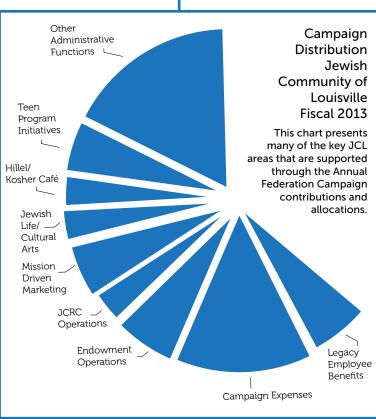
| OVERSEAS  Jewish Federations of North America and Overseas | . \$  | 213,255  |
|--|-------|----------|
| Total Overseas Allocations                                 | \$    | 213,255  |
| LOCAL AGENCIES   |       |          |
| High School of Jewish Studies                              | . \$  | 18,000   |
| LBSY (Louisville Beit Sefer Yachad)                        |       | 42,500   |
| The Temple Hebrew School                                   |       | •        |
| Chavurat Shalom  |       |          |
| Jewish Family and Career Services                          |       |          |
| Pre-Teen/Teen Program Initiative                           |       | 30,000   |
| Vaad Hakashruth  |       | 4,000    |
| Total Local Allocations                                    | \$    | 448,250  |
|  |       |          |
| NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS                                     |       |          |
| Agency Alliance  |       |          |
| (Includes dues and allocations to: JCPA, JESNA, H          | IAS   | ,        |
| JCCA, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry,             |       |          |
| National Fund for Jewish Culture and the Associate         | ior   | l        |
| of Jewish Family & Children's Agencies)                    |       | 505      |
| Jewish Communal Service Association                        |       |          |
| Hillel Consortium  |       |          |
| Center for Learning and Leadership (CLAL)                  |       |          |
| Foundation for Jewish Camp                                 |       |          |
| Birthright Israel  |       |          |
| National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW)                    |       |          |
| Total National Organizations                               | , >   | 52,995   |
| JCL CAMPAIGN DISTRIBUTION                                  |       |          |
| Legacy employee benefits plan                              | \$    | 116.000  |
| Campaign expenses*   |       |          |
| Endowment operations                                       |       |          |
| JCRC   |       |          |
| Mission-driven marketing                                   |       |          |
| Jewish life / cultural arts                                |       |          |
| Hillel / Kosher cafe                                       |       |          |
| Teen program initiatives                                   |       |          |
| Other administrative functions                             |       |          |
| Total JCL Campaign Distribution                            | . \$1 | ,215,000 |

<sup>\*</sup>Campaign expenses amount to 13.8% of total Campaign allocations.

Total Campaign Allocations ...... \$1,929,500







#### **Jewish Foundation of Louisville 2012-2013**

Philanthropic Funds are donor advised funds held by the Foundation for a specific period of time. During that time, an approved spending formula determines the dollar amount that the donor-designated individual(s) can donate to approved 501(c)(3) organizations. At the end of the time specified period, the dollars remaining in the fund are transferred to the Unrestricted Endowment Fund.

Restricted Endowment Funds are funds held by the Foundation that have been given by donors with specific requirements as to their use. Most of the funds held are permanently restricted, meaning that the income from the fund can be used if the use meets the donor's stated restrictions, but the corpus cannot be spent for any purpose.

Unrestricted and Unrestricted but Designated Funds are funds held by the Foundation that have been given with no restrictions being placed on them by the donors. These funds can be Designated by the JCL Board of Directors for specific purposes. The Designations can be applied or removed at the Board's discretion.

Funds held in Trust for Others are funds the JCL holds on behalf of many of our Jewish Community partners who, in turn, pay a small annual fee for this service. Such fees are less than what would be paid for an outside service provider.

#### **ENDOWMENT FUNDS INVESTMENTS**

| Philanthropic Funds\$             | 3,556,064   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Other Restricted Funds            | . 8,806,819 |
| Other Unrestricted Funds          | 1,742,727   |
| Unrestricted but Designated Funds | 4,204,159   |
| In Trust for Others               | 336,839     |

#### Total Foundation Funds as of June 30, 2013....\$18,646,608

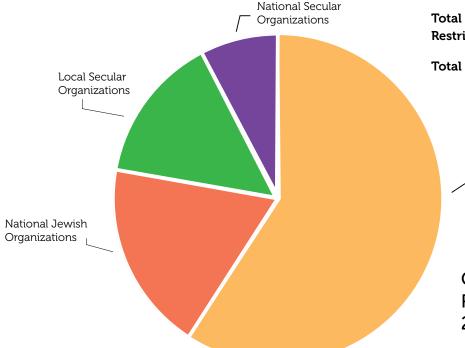
#### **GRANTS**

| Grants Disbursed from Unrestricted/      |           |
|--|-----------|
| Designated Used in Operations            | \$253,270 |
| Grants from Philanthropic and Restricted | l Funds   |
| Local Jewish Organizations               |           |

| Philanthropic Funds donated to    |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Annual Campaign                   | 94,721           |
| JFCS                              | 3,585            |
| JCL/JCC                           | 74,450           |
| Education                         | 16,903           |
| Synagogues                        | 11,646           |
| Total Legal Jourish Organizations | 201 705          |
| Total Local Jewish Organizations  | 201,303          |
| National Jewish Organizations     |                  |
| _                                 | 64,801           |
| National Jewish Organizations     | 64,801<br>52,404 |

Restricted Funds .......344,860

Total Grants Disbursed ......\$598,130



Grants from Philanthropic/

Local Jewish Organizations

Restricted Funds
2012-2013

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