

# Our Annual Gala Honoring Barbara & Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation

**September 27, 2023** 

Beth & Scott Gilefsky, Dr. Jacki Hart & Robert Trestan, Jill & Ed Kutchin, Dan Romanow & Andrew Zelermyer Co-Chairs

### Letter from the Co-Chairs

**Welcome to JCRC Celebrates: Our Community of YES,** honoring two visionary leaders whose work spans across local, national, and international borders: Ed and Barbara Shapiro of The Shapiro Foundation.

JCRC achievements throughout 5783 have been wide ranging in both breadth and depth. Tonight, we share insights about all of JCRC's work with special attention to the community's efforts to 'welcome the stranger' via immigrant accompaniment and advocacy.

This evening you will hear friends, leaders, allies, and newcomers, share the many ways in which JCRC has catalyzed change, established and facilitated supportive connections across diverse communities -and cultivated the opportunity and desire for so many of you to say YES in the face of huge crises and challenges.

Thank you for providing refuge for so many. Their stories are our stories. The worldwide needs remain significant and continue to grow. We encourage each of you to renew, or initiate, your involvement with and support of our ongoing work that is (literally) life-changing. The sense of gratification is beyond measure. Participation can be deeply personal, as so many of us consider our own families' resettlement journeys.

We are grateful to the many generous sponsors, donors, partners, and attendees who have come together to recognize our honorees, Barbara and Ed.

We thank those who have shared their inspiring stories reflecting on our community's collective efforts. We welcome you to craft your own story and to support JCRC's continued commitment to weave networks, foster connections, and establish trust along with common purpose.

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Kol HaKavod:

Now... Let's Celebrate! (and then get back to work...)

CO-CHAIRS: Beth & Scott Gilefsky, Dr. Jacki Hart & Robert Trestan, Jill & Ed Kutchin, Dan Romanow & Andrew Zelermyer





## **Tonight's Program**

6:30 Cocktail Hour

7:15 Dinner and Presentations

Part I: Partnerships and Testimonials: Our Community of Yes Former Congressman Joe Kennedy,

Former Congressman Joe Kennedy, Rabbi Marc Baker, Board President Scott Gilefsky

Part II: JCRC CEO Jeremy Burton and Community Stories of Resettlement

Part III: Honoring Barbara & Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation

8:40 Dessert Reception

# Letter from Our CEO & President

#### "What does JCRC do?"

We have heard this question many times over the years.

The answer is simple. Because of JCRC, the Jewish community has a voice in the halls of government and civic society in Massachusetts where we have measurable and sustained impact on our shared society:

This year, JCRC secured over \$11 million dollars in state funding for Jewish human service agencies to provide support for our most vulnerable. As religious institutions were increasingly threatened, JCRC secured \$1.5 million in state nonprofit security grants.

In total, JCRC secured \$14.3 million in state funding for our community's priorities - an amount that is 7 times our operating budget. JCRC's role is integral to the fabric of Greater Boston. As our community is challenged by rising antisemitism, JCRC ensures that Boston's elected officials, faith leaders, and local media are attuned to our concerns and our experience, and that they are stepping up to fight antisemitism and support our community's safety.

It has been a year of solving challenges behind the scenes by making connections, educating leaders, facilitating conversations, and driving change. We welcomed the full return to in-person events with over 100 legislators joining us for The Legislative Reception and our community's Annual Yom HaShoah Commemoration. We also welcomed 16 new docents and over 2000 visitors with our educational programs at The New England Holocaust Memorial.





We were excited to launch our chapter of the Student to Student program - a nationally recognized peer education program proven to reduce prejudice and bigotry and facilitate discussions among students to dismantle antisemitism. For the second summer in a row we brought a dozen interfaith clergy to Israel for a Study Tour and, as you'll hear tonight, we worked with our partners to welcome people to safety.

Lastly, JCRC is proud to be a part of both local and national plans to combat antisemitism. We will work to manifest both the CJP five-point plan for our community and the first-ever national plan to counter antisemitism, set forth by the Biden-Harris administration. And were thrilled to host Ambassador Deborah Lipstadt, State Department's Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Antisemitism, to discuss this landmark plan with our community.

JCRC builds bridges across communities to strengthen our own. We play a crucial role as a creator of connections, of trust, of common ground and of common purpose. We want to thank our generous sponsors, donors, partners, and all those who make our work possible. We could not have done it without you.

JEREMY BURTON, Chief Executive Officer SCOTT GILEFSKY, President

## **Meet Our Honorees**

#### BARBARA & ED SHAPIRO, THE SHAPIRO FOUNDATION



#### **ED SHAPIRO**

Edward Shapiro is a trustee for The Shapiro Foundation. For nearly 20 years, he was a Managing Partner and Portfolio Manager at PAR Capital Management, Inc., a Boston-based investment management firm.

At the end of 2016, Ed retired from PAR Capital Management in order to devote his attention to his family's philanthropic activities and to keenly focus their work on the global refugee and resettlement crisis.

Ed's commitment to the Foundation's mission to support refugees stretches beyond the on-going gifts that the family awards throughout the year. He is an active member on the boards of Combined Jewish Philanthropies, RefugePoint and Social Finance. He also sits on the board of United Airlines.

Ed earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School and an MBA from UCLA's Anderson School of Management.

#### **BARBARA SHAPIRO**

Barbara Shapiro is a trustee of The Shapiro Foundation, a tireless community volunteer, and an advocate for the rights of refugees and the support of children from underserved communities.

After a 12-year business career focused in advertising and marketing, Barbara retired to become a full time mother and community volunteer. Currently, Barbara serves on the boards of Horizons for Homeless Children and Beaver Country Day School in Boston, Massachusetts.

For over 11 years, Barbara has dedicated much of her time supporting the work at Horizons for Homeless Children. Since 2016, she has been a lead voice and activist of The Jewish Family Service of Metrowest Syrian Refugee Resettlement Program in Framingham MA

Barbara holds a BA from The University of Vermont.



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### Mom and Dad,

Mazel Tov on this well-deserved honor, we are so proud of you!

We continue to be impressed by your tireless dedication to creating positive change within the Jewish community and beyond. Your generosity and shared commitment to social justice have impacted the lives of so many around you.

We are privileged to witness how you always lead with kindness and compassion, inspiring us to approach the world with the same attitude.

We love you,

### Joshua and Samantha

# We are incredibly grateful to the JCRC team

For your instrumental role in welcoming newcomers to Greater Boston. Your partnership has allowed us to spread the word and garner support for community-based refugee sponsorship locally, and is serving as a model for our work in communities across the US and abroad.

Together, we've mobilized a robust network of synagogues and churches which in turn have resettled 250+ refugees from Syria, Afghanistan, Ukraine and Latin America—across eastern Massachusetts.

Thank you to our family and friends for your endless support. We are honored to receive this recognition on behalf of all of our partners, and it means the world to us to have you share this evening with us!

Ed &Barbara

# Mazel Tov to Barbara and Eddie!

Your dedication and incredible contributions to greater Boston and the world at large are inspiring.

Congratulations on this well-deserved honor!

Love,

Steve, Sari, Sammy, Jake and Max

In a world where most people are overwhelmed with commitments large and small, usually time-starved, and often burning the proverbial candle at both ends just to stay afloat in their own lives, Ed and Barbara's boundless generosity is precisely the kind of philanthropy that deserves the honor they are receiving today.

Our family joins everyone here in celebrating them and their selfless good work with admiration, appreciation, and love.

Michele, John, Ashley, and Taylor Wilson

## Barbara & Ed,

You make an enormous difference in the world. We are so proud of all you do. You are an inspiration to all!

We love you!

Shari and John Marquis

### Mazel Tov to Ed & Barbara

It's a tremendous privilege to do the work alongside you. Tonight is a beautiful reminder of how much you've transformed our community.

And Yasher Koach to Scott on your leadership at JCRC! Our community is so lucky to have you (and mostly Beth)!

Jesse & Larry Tobin



Ed has always been a source of pride for his mother and me. When he teamed up with Barbara they proved they could produce more than beautiful grandchildren.

Mazel tov and keep up the good works!

**DAD SHAPIRO** 

# Inspire

## Barbara and Ed,

Congratulations on this much deserved honor.

Thank you for all that you do for our community. Your selfless dedication impacts so many.

Beth & Scott Gilefsky



## Barbara and Ed,

We so appreciate your philanthropic leadership of our community. Your commitment to improve the lives of refugees is extraordinary.

In admiration.

LINDA AND MIKE FRIEZE

Molly and Jeff Goodman share our admiration and heartfelt thanks to Jeremy and the entire JCRC team for a wonderful year!!

# Congratulations to Barbara and Ed Shapiro

For your passionate leadership and inspired action. We truly appreciate your extraordinary service to the community.

# To Jeremy Burton and the entire JCRC team

We applaud your continued leadership, dedication and visionary work, and thank you for all you have done and continue to do for the Jewish community.

JILL AND ED KUTCHIN

## Yasher Koach Barbara & Ed! And you too, Larry!

Thank you for your commitment and leadership in publicizing and addressing the disadvantaged and faultless refugee population.

Thank you, JCRC, for keeping our community safer by doing so much great work.

Ellen & Steven Segal



## Barbara and Ed,

We are so appreciative of all you do for our community and for those you are helping to resettle.

You make a difference for so many and also inspire us to try to do the same.

With gratitude,

#### ADAM AND HOPE SUTTIN



We can't think
of a couple
more worthy of
this honor!

NIGEL AND JOANNA TRAVIS

# MAZEL TOV BARBARA AND ED



Congrats on this well-deserved honor recognizing your dedication and commitment to improving our community and the world.



Valerie & Mark Friedman

## Mazel Tov to Barbara & Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation,

Special leaders who have provided leadership and support to our community in expanding opportunities for the most vulnerable among us, including refugees, internally displaced people and asylum-seekers.

We deeply appreciate all that you do for our community and JCRC.

May you continue to go from strength to strength.

Barbara and Frank Litwin

## Thank you, Barbara and Ed

For your stellar leadership and deep compassion, especially for the most vulnerable amongst us.

**Barrie Landry** 

We join in celebrating the inspiration of Barbara and Ed Shapiro. Their enduring support for those in need is only surpassed by the limitless capacity they have in their hearts to make our world a better place. Cheers and hugs full of love for Barbara and Ed.

Thank you to JCRC, including the leadership, staff, volunteers and supporters for cherishing this remarkable organization as it travels each year from strength to strength.

#### Aron and Susan Ain



Claudia Davidoff and Joseph Kahan are pleased to be part of the JCRC community.

We are pleased to honor Barbara and Ed Shapiro's work for immigrant rights.

# Mazel Tov to The Shapiro Foundation and to the entire community.

Welcoming the stranger is both a mitzvah and a Kiddush HaShem and we're proud to support JCRC, JFSMW and our entire community in the effort.

SIMON B. GOTTLIEB FOUNDATION

We cannot think of a more deserving couple to be honored by JCRC here tonight.

Your work, both here in Boston and worldwide, is a model for all of us on how just 2 people can make such a powerful impact on the challenging world in which we live.

Thank you, Barbara and Ed, for all you do!

With great admiration and appreciation,

Beth and Larry Greenberg

"When we open our hearts and our borders to refugees, we affirm our commitment to the principles of freedom, justice, and equality that our nation was built upon."

- Hillary Clinton

There is no one in our community who embodies these values more than both of you. We are grateful for all you do to help us open our hearts and communities to others.

**RISA SHAMES AND NEIL SILVERSTON** 

# Congratulations to this evening's honorees-

With much appreciation for your dedication, passion, and extraordinary service to the community.

Thank you to the staff at JCRC led by Jeremy Burton for your continued leadership and visionary work.

Lesley and Ben Inker,

together with Professor Denise Garcia with students and alumni of Northeastern University dedicated to make a positive difference in our world!

#### Dear Barbara and Ed,

Thank you for all of your incredible work to make our community and our country so welcoming to those who need peace and shelter.

We and the entire community are blessed to have you both. Mazal Tov.

Gratefully,

Dan Romanow & Andrew Zelermyer

# Congratulations and thanks to Ed and Barbara Shapiro

The Herman Dana Trust

## Dream

# Mazal Tov to Tonight's Honorees

Your dedication to service has made such an impact on the lives of so many.

To the JCRC team- we extend our gratitude for your continued leadership and are proud to be your partners in the visionary work you do on a daily basis.

Kol Hakavod!

Catharyn & Mike Gildesgame

# Congratulations to Barbara & Ed Shapiro

Thank you for your endless energy and commitment- you have made our world and our community a better place.

To the JCRC professional teamwith deep admiration and profound gratitude for all that you do.

**Amanda and Campe Goodman** 

#### **KOL HAKAVOD**

to Barbara & Ed on your tremendous achievements and dedication on behalf of JCRC! We're grateful for the incredible work of JCRC and proud to support you.

#### **SARAH PERRY & TONY KINGSLEY**

## Mazal Tov to Barbara & Ed Shapiro

On this much deserved honor.

Thank you for your inspiring leadership and the remarkable impact you have had on thousands of lives across the globe.

Our community is so blessed to have you!

Thank you to Jeremy Burton and the entire staff and board of JCRC for your incredible work this year!

Jennifer & Amiel Weinstock



### **Yasher Koach**

For your steadfast leadership in our community.

Thank you for all you do....
With gratitude.



SHIRI AND ILAN SEGEV

#### Ed and Barbara -

Thank you for tireless efforts to help care for the vulnerable within our global community. We are inspired by your leadership and privileged to call you our friends.

Mazel Tov on this well-deserved honor.

Warmly,

Darren, Michelle, Evan, Scott, Emily, and Alex Black

Mazel tov on your well-deserved honor tonight. Your commitment to seeking out and helping those who are most vulnerable is truly inspiring.

Thank you for making the world a better place!

Love,

Donna, David, Talia, and Jacob

#### **Saul Ewing LLP**

is proud to join in the celebration of the work of the Jewish Community Relations Council, which does so much to lead—and inspire—the greater Boston community in so many ways.

# Congratulations to Barbara and Ed Shapiro!

Thank you for all that you do for our community.

Ilissa & Lon Povich

# Mazal tov to Ed and Barbara Shapiro

For their incredible leadership in our Greater Boston Jewish community.

Geraldine and Gabe Sunshine



## Mazel tov Barbara and Ed

On this well deserved honor.

Thank you for your tireless work on behalf of refugees, JCRC and the broader Jewish community.



WARMLY, THE RASHES FAMILY



## Ed and Barbara,

It is with great pleasure that we dedicate this book page to honor your hard work and leadership in the fight for immigration justice.

Your tireless efforts and unwavering commitment have left an indelible mark on our hearts and our community.

With tremendous respect and admiration.

**Chester and Diane Black** 

# Thank you to Barbara & Ed, and the JCRC

For helping to lead the charge on bettering the lives of immigrants in our community.

Our hats (and Jed's hair) are off to you!

Ilana Braun & Jed Weiss



and The Shapiro Foundation, on this incredible and well-deserved honor.



**JESSICA AND CHUCK MYERS** 



## Barbara & Ed,

I cannot thank you enough for your tireless leadership and commitment to JCRC and to our Jewish Community.

May you continue to make the world a better place and inspire us all to do the same.

**NANCY VINER** 

#### "Our fate is bound up in each other" Babylonian Talmud Shevuot 39a

Mazel Tov to
Barbara and Ed Shapiro and the Shapiro Foundation
on this well-deserved honor!
Your effective work to resettle refugees,
making our world a better place,
reminds us all that we are, indeed, all bound up together.

Thank you to Co-Chairs Beth & Scott Gilefsky,
Dr. Jacki Hart & Robert Trestan, Jill & Ed Kutchin, and
Dan Romanow & Andrew Zelermyer for your leadership
in making tonight so successful.

We offer our deepest appreciation for the incomparable leadership of Jeremy Burton, Erica Daniels Strater, and FayeRuth Fisher, and every professional at JCRC for your wisdom and commitment, with a special note of gratitude to the entire Celebrates team.

To the entire JCRC Board, led so ably today by Scott Gilefsky, and by Frank Litwin in the future, your investment of strategic thought, time, finances, and energy make JCRC thrive and grow.

Thank you.

Chazak, chazak, v'nitchazeik!

May JCRC continue to go from strength to strength!

Jill Goldenberg and Sidney Kriger



Thank you for your transformational and inspirational work on refugee resettlement. We appreciate your leadership, and your commitment to JCRC and to our entire community.

Kol Hakavod!

Nicole & Joshua Gann

# Congratulations & dearest thanks to the honorees:

## Barbara & Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation

For your dedication, and years of service to your community and friends.

#### And to the JCRC

For your unrelenting commitment to the community on so many levels.

Warmest,

**Robert & Kamila Gerber** 



Rabbi Benjamin J. Samuels, President David Berlove and Immediate-Past President Alex Klibaner Dr. Esther Israel & Ronda Jacobson, Chairs, Afghan Resettlement Project

Congregation Shaarei Tefillah thanks Barbara and Ed Shapiro, and the Shapiro Family Foundation for their generous support of our Afghan Resettlement Project. With their help, our two newcomers have enjoyed living at Hancock Village. Without their help, we would not have had a smooth beginning.

Ex. 23:9 You shall not oppress a stranger, for you know the feelings of the stranger, having yourselves been strangers in the land of Egypt. :וגר לא תלחץ ואָתֹם יִדעתֶם אָת־נַפָּשׁ הֹגָּר כִּי־גַרִים הַיִּיתָם בְּאַרץ מַצְרִים:



At brunch in honor of our kahal's participation in the resettlement effort, and recognizing the achievements of our two newcomers. So many of our dedicated leaders and volunteers are not pictured here.

With appreciation to JCRC for welcoming us to the project, to Catholic Charities for handling so many of the governmental issues, filings and finances, and for their incredible team's guidance, handholding, and active assistance, and to JVS for the coaching and classes, and personal assistance offered.

Beth Benjamin and the Dover Church deserve kudos for their generosity, continued friendship, and outstanding love of their neighbors and those in need.

# BARBARA & ED SHAPIRO ARE AMAZING!



This dynamic duo provide the best example of how to turn intellect, creativity & heart into effective action.

Thank you both for spotlighting critical issues & providing solutions we can all participate in.



Your Fans -Randi & Joel Cutler

# Congratulations to Barbara & Ed Shapiro

ON THIS WELL-DESERVED HONOR FROM JCRC!

Thank you for your tireless work and commitment to the community and beyond. You are truly an inspiration to us all!

Yasher Koach and may you continue to go from strength to strength!

With love and deep gratitude,

Jessica & David Aronoff

## **Imagine**

The Berke Family wishes to honor Barbara and Ed Shapiro and sends our gratitude to the dedicated and impressive JCRC staff.

Thank you all for your contributions to our community.

We are so proud of all you do for the community and the world around us.

Kol HaKavod.

Sarah and Jamie Fleckner

we applaud the important contributions you make to our community.

With respect and admiration,

**Debby and Erik Belt** 



Thank you for being champions of justice and compassion, and for making a lasting impact on countless lives.

With gratitude for your commitment to our community and grateful for your partnership with JCRC

JEREMY BURTON

#### **BARBARA AND ED,**

You are both constant sources of inspiration to us. We're so proud of all you do and grateful to work alongside you.

Lynda and Jeff Bussgang

#### "On three things does the world stand: On justice, on truth and on peace."

- Shimon ben Gamaliel, Pirkei Avot, 1:18

Thank you JCRC of Greater Boston.

We appreciate your tireless leadership to pursue justice, truth and peace.

Nanette & Jose Fridman

"We can change the world and make it a better place. It is in our hands to make a difference." Nelson Mandela

### Jeremy and the rest of the JCRC team,

Thank you for patiently, persistently doing the hard work of building relationships and shaping policy for a better and more just Commonwealth on behalf of our Jewish community.

#### Ed and Barbara,

Mazal tov on this well-deserved honor! We deeply admire your dedication and persistence in helping to make the world a better place, literally changing lives for those with the fewest options.

Most sincerely,

**CINDY AND ANDREW JANOWER** 

## Thank You to Barbara & Ed Shapiro

And to the Shapiro Foundation for your leadership and for your impactful philanthropy that helps to make life better for the most vulnerable populations.

Robert I. Lappin Charitable Foundation
Deborah L. Coltin, Trustee
Andrew Lappin, Trustee

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Congratulations to Barbara and Ed Shapiro - we are inspired by your tireless efforts in strengthening our community.	
With gratitude to the JCRC professional and volunteer leadership led by Jeremy Burton and Scott Gilefsky.	
Thank you for your continued dedication and passion.	
Shari & Eric Valentino	

# MAZEL-TOV BARBARA AND ED ON YOUR WELL-DESERVED HONOR.



Thanks for all you have done and continue to do to make a difference in our community.

In friendship,



**Rob Andrews and Ron Shiloh** 

## With profound gratitude to Barbara and Ed Shapiro

Because of you, Afghan refugees at
Hancock Village now have a safe haven.
In an immensely rewarding collaboration
with a The Dover Church and Sacred
Heart and Our Lady Help of Christians
Collaborative, my team at Temple Shalom
was able to provide housing and hope to ten
Afghan men and a family of four.

Thanks to the Shapiro Foundation's incredible support, affordable housing has become possible.

Ianet & Mark Gottesman

## Mazel Tov to Barbara & Ed Shapiro

For your leadership and service!

Sheryl Kalis & Adam Steinberg

### TZEDEK TZEDEK TIRDOF

Mazel Tov Barbara and Ed Shapiro.
With word and deed, you live the words of pursuing justice for all.

Rabbi Shira, Saul & Samantha Joseph

### MAZEL TOV!

We congratulate and honor

Ed and Barbara Shapiro for

their leadership and good works

on behalf of JCRC.



Diane and Neil Exter

# Thank you Barbara and Ed, and the Shapiro Foundation

For your incredible generosity and leadership in our community.

The Fischman Family

## Our deepest thanks to Barbara and Ed Shapiro

You have set an example to all with your leadership and dedication in helping and empowering the neediest among us. this is the ultimate

Jewish tzedakah.

Thank you for going above and beyond to repair our fragile world.

Daniel Serfaty & Irene Mizrahi

## Mazal Tov to the Shapiros

And our appreciation of their important support of refugee resettlement.

Thanks to the JCRC leadership and staff for all their hard work.

Miriam May and Prof. Shaye Cohen





## Congratulations to our Honorees, Barbara and Ed Shapiro!

The JCRC community is grateful for and inspired by your service.

You really make the world a better place.

JUSTIN L. WYNER,
PAST PRESIDENT JCRC 1971-73

## Congratulations Barbara & Ed on this well-deserved honor!

We are grateful to the Shapiro Foundation, JCRC, and everyone who works tirelessly on behalf of those in need.

You exemplify the highest values in our tradition.

With gratitude,

Nora and Josh Friedman

### Mazel Tov Barbara and Ed!

Thank you so much for all the amazing work you do for JCRC, for the Jewish Community and around the world.

You are both so inspiring and we're so happy to honor you tonight!

Lots of love,

Susan Patkin and Glenn Paster



## To Ed & Barbara Shapiro



With deep admiration and profound gratitude for the service you've provided and inspired.



Stacey Bloom and Steve Ostrovitz

With deep appreciation to the Shapiro family for their unrivaled leadership in embracing our shared community value of welcoming the stranger.

You have impacted the lives of many and made our community stronger.

Mazel tov on this well deserved recognition.

We are grateful to Jeremy, Erica, and the entire JCRC team for your vision and professionalism.

Jacki Hart, Robert, Remi & Levi Trestan Warmest congratulations to Barbara and Ed Shapiro and the Shapiro Foundation and to the JCRC for continuing to provide such dynamic leadership to our Jewish community.

Gerri and Ken Sweder

It has been incredible to watch,
and an honor to be part of, the great
contribution the JCRC has made to the
Jewish community in New England!
Jeremy's skillful ability to navigate through
complex issues is second to none.

#### **RIVKA & DAVID SHIMONI**

### BARBARA AND ED ~

Your exceptional work has enriched our community and our world.

JCRC is proud to honor you for your passion, dedication, and selflessness.

It's been my greatest pleasure working with you all on this event.

Yashar Koach

Erica Daniels-Strater

Thank you Ed and Barbara for all your amazing work!
You are an inspiration!

Deborah and David Weinhaus

Thanks for all that you give to the community and for your friendship!

Best,

**Gary Fleisher** 

## **Congratulations!**

Marie Josée Sambado

### Barbara and Ed,

Thank you for the transformational work with refugee resettlement around the world. You have brought goodness to so many suffering people.

You inspire so many to accomplish more.

All the best, John and Colleen

### Barbara and Ed —

So happy to celebrate you both. Your generosity of time and dedication to what truly matters is inspiring and infectious.

Love.



### Maris & Paul

Thank you Barbara and Ed
and The Shapiro Foundation for
all you do for JCRC and the
Jewish community.

MICHAL REGUNBERG

## CONGRATULATIONS TO BARBARA & ED

For this well-deserved recognition.

We are a stronger community as a result of your leadership.

Emily Levine & Jake Javitch

Rabbi Yohanan taught: "The day of the gathering of exiles will be as momentous as the day heaven and earth were created."

Thank you, Barbara and Ed, for providing our community with a powerful leadership model for supporting the exiles, refugees, internally displaced people and asylum seekers of the world and giving them a safe haven to call home. Congratulations on being recognized at JCRC Celebrates—it is a well-deserved honor!

Stuart and Shelley Rossman

### Congratulations, Barbara and Ed!



We are so proud of and inspired by the transformational work you do regarding refugee resettlement.

We admire your energy, ideas, compassion, creativity, and character.

With affection and friendship, Iessica and Tom Rosenbloom

With a dynamic blend of idealism and practicality,
Barbara and Ed have succeeded in bringing numerous
families and individuals to safety, enabling them to build
more stable lives. Working collaboratively and pro-actively
with international, US, and local NGO's and government
agencies, they energetically and powerfully devote their
time and resources to the macro (policies) and the micro
(identifying and securing housing, sponsors, financial
support, etc.) to help others. They are amazing!

SUSAN AND JIM SIDEL

## WE ARE DELIGHTED TO JOIN IN HONORING BARBARA & ED

And the important work of their foundation.

May they go from strength to strength. With admiration & affection,

Amy & Jonathan Fleming

Your humility and deep and personal caring for refugees locally and worldwide is extraordinary. Being present with you at late night airport arrivals and touching the day to day lives of families whose lives are turned upside down has been an honor. Your philanthropy and influence have changed the entire resettlement program, all for the better. And your children, Josh and Samantha walk in your footsteps.

Congratulations on being honored by JCRC.

Marc and Joanne Jacobs

## Congratulations to Barbara & Ed and the Shapiro Foundation

For this richly deserved honor.

Thank you so much for your inspiring and tireless efforts to improve the world, and your dedication to truly innovative sustainable philanthropy!



### Nancy & Phil Rosenblatt

## We say "yes"

Because the JCRC helps lead the way towards a more just and equitable society.

Mazel tov to all of the honorees!

Lenny Goldstein & Tom Formicola

# Mazel tov to Barbara and Ed Shapiro for their leadership with JCRC and its continuing important work. YASHER KOACH!!!

### SUSAN CALECHMAN

### MAZEL TOV BARBARA AND ED SHAPIRO!

We are in awe of the remarkable humanitarian work you do all over the world.

Thank you for serving as an inspiration to us all.

Pam & Andrew Norden

### **Barbara and Ed!**

It is a privilege and honor to celebrate you both for your dedication and hard work resettling people.

You are humble yet inspiring role models for those lucky enough to work with you and/or call you a friend.

### **Marnie Breton**

### Barbara & Ed

We love you and thank you for being our heroes and making a massive difference in the lives of so many people.



Elena & Drew Zager

### Dearest Barbara and Ed,

You are two of the angels on this earth. You inspire us daily with your work for justice and inclusion.

**Bonnie and Sandy** 

So grateful for the amazing work of the JCRC and Barbara and Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation.

Proud to be part of such an impactful and incredible community.

With gratitude,

THE PLATT FAMILY

#### Dearest Ed and Barbara.

I am so thrilled for the opportunity to honor you and celebrate your incredible contributions to refugee protection around the world.

The Refugee Hub and the Global Refugee Sponsorship Initiative have been so fortunate to benefit from your leadership and partnership as we have pursued our common mission around refugee sponsorship.

As a direct result of your vision, creativity, generosity, and restlessness, hundreds of thousands of newcomers have been welcomed as new neighbors in the United States, Canada, the UK, across Europe, and around the world.

Millions of citizens and workplaces, and their communities, have been forever changed. And the system has begun to transform in unprecedented ways. What you have achieved is truly extraordinary.

You have both served and solved.

Along the way, you have built a community of allies and friends who love laughing, learning, and plotting with you. It is a joy to be amongst them and I can't wait to continue our partnership and friendship – and to continue chasing big dreams together.

My very best wishes,

#### Jennifer



### **Kol HaKavod**

to The Shapiro Foundation and JCRC!

David Borrus & Amy Bamforth Mazel tov

Ed and Barbara!

Ionathan Golden

Congratulations to the Shapiros! Your kindness to others serves as an inspiration to us all.

"Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible." ~Dalai Lama

And, thank you to JCRC – professionals and volunteer leaders, alike – for continuing to advocate for a kinder world.

Elana & Ariel Margolis

### Yasher Ko'ach

to Barbara & Ed Shapiro and to all of the staff at JCRC for the important work that they do on behalf of all of us!

Jane Matlaw

Excited for Frank Litwin's wisdom and leadership at JCRC.

Marsha and Ed Moller

The Shapiro family continues to inspire and ignite their community with their commitment to philanthropy and social justice action.

We are all better for having them in our lives.

With respect and admiration,
Rehecca Friedman

### Congratulations, Barbara and Ed

Thank you for your dedication to refugees.

Lori & Jon Shaer

## Mazel Tov to Ed and Barbara Shapiro!

Our world is lucky to have you in it. Your compassion, acts of kindness and generosity have been felt by many!

With much admiration.

DAVID AND HEATHER
GANITSKY

"The strangers who reside with you shall be to you as your citizens; you shall love each one as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt."

In honor of Ed and Barbara Shapiro who remind our community of the Jewish people's most sacred mitzvah and who lead us in fulfilling this loving responsibility.

Ellie & Barry Shrage

Congrats to
The Shapiro Foundation
for its strong
commitment to assisting
the immigrant/refugee
community.

Amy & Ben Bloomstone

In honor of CEO
Jeremy Burton,
honorees Barbara
& Ed Shapiro, and
the entire JCRC
leadership

for all you do on behalf of the Greater Boston Jewish community

Tamar Davis & Allan Galper

The JCRC Professional Staff would like to thank Barbara and Ed

for your passion,
dedication, and
selflessness in your
efforts to support our
mission. It is leaders
like you who inspire us
to work harder
every day.

**MAZEL TOV!** 

### Barbara and Ed -

We are so proud of the work you do mazel tov! Best.

Shelley and Scott Joseph

### MAZEL TOV TO ED AND BARBARA SHAPIRO

For their continued focus in life on Tikkun Olam.

Lino & Kathy Covarrubias

### Thank you, Ed & Barbara

For your vision, guidance and leadership in the community. We are greatly inspired by your never-ending drive to assist those in need, and by the phenomenal work of The Shapiro Foundation in providing community-based resettlement opportunities and support to refugees in crisis. You are a true role model for others. Mazel Tov on this well-deserved honor!

With appreciation and admiration for ALL you do,

Jodi, Ken, Nicole, & Matthew Bring

### YASHER KOACH TO BARBARA & ED SHAPIRO

And the hundreds of community members who've stepped up to help our newest neighbors!

Stephanie Berkowitz

## Mazel Tov to Ed & Barbara Shapiro!

Thank you both and JCRC for all you do for our community here and aboard.

Candy & Dr. Stanley
Glazer and
Rachel Glazer

### Barbara and Ed,

You and your Foundation have made it possible for so many of us to save lives and in so doing, save worlds! It has been our honor to know you and work with you in making this world a better place.

Kol Hakavod!

With our gratitude,

Michael & Laura

With gratitude to the JCRC and appreciation to the honorees

Ethan Felson & Daniel Schapira

### Mazal tov to you Barbara ℰ Ed

You inspire us and we are grateful for all you do. You do it so lovingly, generously and willingly.

Love, Glenda and John

### Thank you

For your service to both the community and world at large.

Rachel & Lenny Esmond

As a Jewish Member of Congress,
I am committed to meaningful,
two-way engagement with the
Greater Boston Jewish community
so that your voice is amplified in
Washington.



Congressman Iake Auchncloss

Proud to be part of the Community of YES!

Abby & Kenn Elmore

### Mazel Tov Barbara and Ed

And thank you for the extraordinary work you do through the Shapiro Foundation! Your impact on JCRC, its programs, and the greater Boston Jewish community has been truly astounding.

We love you!

**Kathy and Scott** 

### Ed & Barbara!

You do so much good for so many people, and I am honored to recognize that in this tiny ad. It is a testament to your fundamental compassion and humility that you have built a community around you that is dedicated to making the world a better place without sacrificing fun or laughter. I'm so lucky to know you both and grateful to be your co-conspirator and friend. Shout out also to Josh who I hope to actually meet some day, and Samantha, who got my child to eat spinach popsicles.

Becca Heller

Congratulations
Barbara and Ed
on this honor.

You continue to inspire us with all that you do in this world.

Love,

Suzanne and Dave Lissy

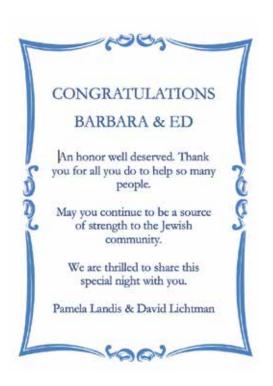
We are extremely grateful to Barbara, Ed and family for all the work they do to make this world a better place and for the example they set for the rest of us to strive towards.

Gary & Lourdes
Pomerantz

### **Mazel Tov**

And our deep appreciation to Barbara and Ed and the entire JCRC staff for all your incredible work.

JIM WALLACK AND REBECCA MATTHEWS



#### Congratulations Barbara & Ed!

Thank you for all you do to make our world a better place!

Your family is an inspiration for all of us!

Much love, Beth and Jimmy Holzman

I am grateful for your talents and grace in managing our community communications during these difficult and polarized times.

I hope 2024 will be another successful year!

Terry Yoffie

In appreciation of Ed and Barbara who do so much to make the world a better place for all.

> Jerry Rubin & Carol Steinberg

#### Mazal tov

And our sincere thanks to the Shapiro family and the entire JCRC staff for all your work to advance JCRC's mission

> Simon & Chessie Cataldo

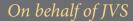


Barbara and Ed...

Thank you for all that you do!

Congratulations!

Lori and Michael Bass



We recognize and celebrate Barbara & Ed Shapiro and the Shapiro Foundation for their commitment to immigrant and refugee communities.

Abby Flam, Chair IVS Board YES to a vibrant and menschlich Boston Jewish community!

Nurture the next generation of American Jewish leaders, and protect our rights and our fragile world. To a meaningful 5784.

> Beth "Missie" Polasky and Sam Furgang

We are grateful for the many ways JCRC provides leadership and equally proud to have JCRC as our partner on many vital projects. May the work of JCRC go from strength to strength. Yasher Koach for all that you have achieved and will achieve.

Rob Leikind

## Dear Barbara and Ed,

"Yasher Koach" for all that you do for the Jewish community!

With admiration and appreciation,

Suzanne Priebatsch



#### Mazel tov

And thank you, Barbara and Ed, for all you do for the community!

The Harder Family

#### Mazel Tov

Barbara and Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation on this greatly deserved honor.

You inspire us all by your enormous dedication to improving the lives of the world's most vulnerable populations: refugees, internally displaced people and asylum-seekers, and to increasing community-based resettlement opportunities for displaced people.

With deep appreciation and warm wishes,

Fredie Kay

#### Heroes

is too small a word for all you do for so many.

May you continue to spread strength, love & caring.

Love, The Schwartz, Zaks & Messina families

#### Dear Barbara & Ed,

Mazel Tov on receiving this well-deserved honor.

Thank you for all you both do for the community.

With warm wishes, Jodi and Heydon Traub

#### Thank you

For all your good work for the Jewish and Greater Boston community.

**Howard Brick** 

#### **Mazal Tov**

to Temple Beth Elohim's Mitzvah Heroes:

Ed and Barbara Shapiro

Rabbi Rachel Saphire

#### Ed &Barbara,

Huge congratulations on this well-deserved honor in recognition of your incredible work and leadership through The Shapiro Foundation!

With gratitude,

Elana and the

UNICEF USA team

#### Barbara and Ed

Are inspiring leaders whose vision is helping to transform the world.

Sasha Chanoff

## **Community Partners**

# Cummings Buildings Power Charities



Cummings' profits benefit local nonprofits

## Congratulations

Barbara & Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation for their leadership in supporting people who have been displaced and expanding community-based resettlement opportunities.

Almost all of Cummings Properties' real estate is owned by and operated for the benefit of Cummings Foundation. Each year, the Foundation donates tens of millions of dollars to organizations in communities where its properties are located and where many of its employees and clients live. **The Cummings organization has awarded \$500 million in grants to date.** Learn more at <u>Cummings.com/charity.</u>





Combined Jewish Philanthropies (CJP) joins

#### **Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC)**

in celebrating the extraordinary achievements and contributions of

## Barbara and Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation

at Our Community of Yes

for their leadership in supporting the most vulnerable populations and expanding community-based resettlement opportunities.

Thank you for all that you do to foster Jewish life and make our world a better place for all.

May you go from strength to strength







With gratitude to The Shapiro Foundation and our partners at JCRC for all you do to make our community a warm and welcoming place for immigrants.



Larry Bailis, Board Chair Cindy Rowe, President and CEO Jewish Alliance for Law and Social Action

#### Put your Jewish values into action!

Join JALSA in the pursuit of social, economic, environmental, and racial justice.

Sign up for our weekly action alert at www.JALSA.org or scan the QR code.







Two Ukrainian families resettled locally through support provided by JFS, The Shapiro Foundation and Temple Beth Elohim, Wellesley hold a celebration to thank those who came to their aid. Team members pictured include JFS Board Member Debbie Gotbetter, former JFS Board Member Barbara Shapiro and her husband Ed Shapiro. Barbara and Ed are Co-Trustees of The Shapiro Foundation.

#### JFS is proud to join JCRC in celebrating our dear friends and partners Barbara, Ed and The Shapiro Foundation!

Thank you for 'saying yes' and taking action to support the most vulnerable members of our community.



#### JFS of Metrowest

475 Franklin Street, Suite 101, Framingham, MA, 01702 508-875-3100 ♦ JFSMW.org

Accelerating Social, Academic and Health Equity

## THE IMMIGRATION JUSTICE LEADERSHIP TEAM at TEMPLE BETH ELOHIM

Congratulates our team member, Ed Shapiro, his wife Barbara and The Shapiro Foundation for all of their efforts in bringing and welcoming new immigrants to our community and in assisting the US government and foreign governments in the development of immigration programs to assist those fleeing war, food deficiencies, health risks and economic perils. Ed has always told us, "We can do this!" and guided us in welcoming strangers from Syria, Ukraine, Afghanistan, and Venezuela. If we had more Shapiros, this world would be a better place. All our good wishes on this well-deserved JCRC honor.

Michael Gilman Deborah Gotbetter Jessica Lasser Lina Musayev Susan Sidel



## JVS BOSTON PROUDLY CELEBRATES

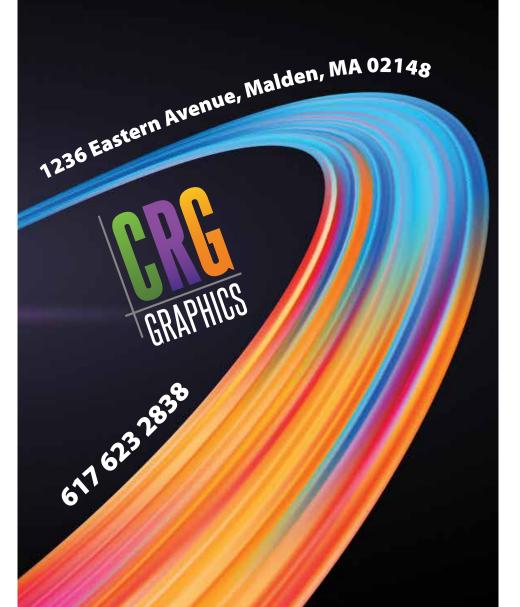
#### ED & BARBARA SHAPIRO

for being true partners and champions of the important work of resettling refugees and making our community stronger.

May you go from strength to strength!

Connect with us on social media: @JVSBoston

## Print, Promote, & Brand...





Temple Beth Elohim is proud to support JCRC and One Community of Yes and celebrate our congregants

#### Barbara and Ed Shapiro

for their dedicated acts of tzedek and leadership. May you continue to inspire our community for years to come!

Rabbi Joel Sisenwine
Rabbi Rachel Saphire
Cantor Shanna Zell
Stephen Ashkinos, Executive Director of
Administration & Operations
Alison Kur, Executive Director of Jewish Learning
Neil Silverston, President
and the entire TBE Congregation



The Clergy of
Temple Israel of
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partner with the JCRC
as we strive for
a fairer and
more just world.

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Communications

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We are honored to be part of CRC's Community of Yes!

Reni Gertner, Stacy Goodman & Lisa Lazarezyk

Now more than ever, Denterlein is proud to stand with the **Jewish community** and **JCRC**.

Congratulations to

Barbara & Ed Shapiro &

The Shapiro Foundation.

We applaud your
important work.

#### Denterlein

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## Mazal Tov to Barbara & Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation!

We're proud to be longtime partners of JCRC Boston as we work together to advance safety, dignity, and justice in the Jewish community and broader world.

> Keshet קשת



#### **Mazal Tov!**

To our friends at JCRC, Barbara and Ed Shapiro P'15 P'16 and The Shapiro Foundation, on their important work helping refugees and displaced peoples find their community.

From your friends at The Rashi School.

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## Ready to make a difference.

Citizens is proud to support JCRC and JCRC Celebrates.



SMR IT Services congratulates Barbara & Ed Shapiro, The Shapiro Foundation, and the entire Jewish Community Relations Council on your many accomplishments. We are honored to partner with you in supporting and advocating for the Boston area Jewish community. We are inspired by your mission and achievements.

## Mazel Tov to JCRC of Greater Boston

and tonight's honorees

Barbara & Ed Shapiro

and the Shapiro Foundation

Your friends at Gann Academy

In honor of
Barbara & Ed Shapiro
The Shapiro Foundation
Mazel Toy!



Learn More at 2LifeCommunities.org



Mazal tov to our friends and partners Barbara and Ed Shapiro, and the entire Shapiro family!

IsraAID would like to thank the Shapiro family and The Shapiro Foundation for their tireless commitment to some of the

world's most vulnerable communities.

With their support, IsraAID is able to respond to urgent humanitarian crises around the world.



### ADL NEW ENGLAND COMMENDS JCRC BOSTON

for its inspirational leadership and impact in making each member of our community feel seen and heard, and welcome and included, every single day of the year. We are proud to join you in this work.



#### Jewish Big Brothers Big Sisters is proud to support JCRC. Congratulations to Barbara & Ed Shapiro and the Shapiro Foundation on this well deserved honor!

JBBBS transforms the lives of children, adults with disabilities, and their families through the power of one-to-one relationships. Make an impact and get involved with us today!





Visit www.JBBBS.org

Rabbi Danny and Micol Burkeman and the Temple Shir Tikva community are delighted to support the work of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Boston.

Thank you to the wonderful JCRC staff and our honorees Barbara and Ed Shapiro for all of the work that you do as leaders within the Jewish community and for the wider Boston community.

ְנָהְיֶה בְּרְכָה ... וְנִבְּרְכִוּ בְּרְ כָּל מִשְׁפְּרוֹת הָאֲדְמָה And you shall be a blessing ... and through you all the families of the earth will be blessed. Bereishit-Genesis 12:2-3



JCC Greater Boston is proud to celebrate





## Honoring Barbara & Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation

Mara Riemer Goldstein, Chair, Governing Board Lily Rabinoff-Goldman, President/CEO



#### Thank you to JCRC and to Barbara and Ed Shapiro

For always acting on what matters. Ours is not to complete the work, but neither can we desist from it.

Gail Schulman and Jewish Family & Children's Service



#### JCRC, Barbara & Ed Shapiro, and The Shapiro Foundation

for building and sustaining safe, welcoming communities that make our communities more vibrant, and our world more whole.



Rabbi Sharon Cohen Anisfeld, President Nancy Belsky, Chair, Board of Trustees hebrewcollege.edu





Thank You

#### **Ed and Barbara Shapiro**

On behalf of the Miles4Migrants team and more than 42,000 individuals whom we flew using donated miles, points, and money, thank you for your compassionate support. Your commitment has saved lives.

Interested in using your air miles, points, and money to help those forced to leave their home to find a safe new community?

Visit miles4migrants.org and donate today.



#### Congratulations to the Shapiros!



#### Volunteer Ventures MA

Building Community Through Service www.volunteerventuresma.org

#### HONORING BARBARA & ED SHAPIRO

Horizons for Homeless Children and Kate Barrand recognize their tireless work in support of marginalized members of our communities.

We extend our deepest gratitude for their unwavering service and dedication to organizations at the frontline of caring for refugees who have come to build a life in Massachusetts.

## Congratulations to Barbara and Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation

We are incredibly proud of your leadership and transformational work regarding refugee resettlement.

-Your friends at Edesia



#### **MAZEL TOV**

to 2023 JCRC Celebrates honorees Barbara and Ed Shapiro and The Shapiro Foundation.

May you go from strength to strength!

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We congratulate Barbara and Ed Shapiro and the Shapiro Foundation, who continue to change countless lives every day through their generosity and vision, especially within our immigrant communities.

It is an honor to work with all of you.





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In profound appreciation, we extend our sincerest gratitude and kol hakavod to Barbara and Ed Shapiro, and The Shapiro Foundation. Your resolute work for the vulnerable, locally and globally, shines as a beacon of compassion. Your legacy inspires us to unite and create positive change. Thank you for illuminating countless lives

May you continue to go from strength to strength!

Debbie Kardon, Executive Director, and all of us at Action for Post-Soviet Jewry



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Let us continue to strengthen one another

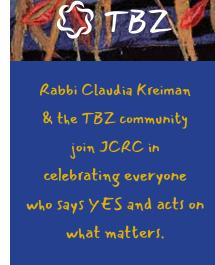
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#### **Upcoming JCRC Events**

**Legislative Reception** Thursday, March 7, 2024

Yom HaShoah Sunday, March 5, 2024

