

#### **JCRC of Greater Boston**







## JCRC 2022 IMPACT REPORT

# **TOGETHER** WE ARE JCRC

# MESSAGE 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 measurable and sustained impact on our shared society:

This year, JCRC secured \$9 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 \$8 million in state nonprofit security grants. And this year, JCRC was the only advocacy group to advocate successfully for two comprehensive pieces of legislation on Beacon Hill: (1) a law mandating Genocide Education (for which we secured a \$1.5 million trust), and (2) a bill divesting our state government from Russia.

In total, JCRC secured \$18.5 million in state funding for our community's priorities - an amount that is 9 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.

This past June, when the BDS movement targeted our institutions with the antisemitic "Mapping Project," JCRC mobilized our partners to show their support - and they quickly came out in succession to denounce it.

JCRC was 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.

The purpose of JCRC is to build bridges across communities in order to strengthen our own. We play a crucial role as a creator of connections, of trust, of common ground and of common purpose. In the pages of this report, you will read how JCRC showed up to mobilize, secure, and advocate on behalf of our community this year.

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.

We will continue to cultivate the strength and resiliency of the Jewish people in Greater Boston. We will continue to take action to create a stronger community and a more just society. We will continue to ensure that we are representing Jewish concerns in the hardest conversations and in the moments of crisis that impact us all.

Thank you,









**JEREMY BURTON** JCRC Chief Executive Officer

**SCOTT GILEFSKY** JCRC President

# **TOGETHER** WE COMBAT ANTISEMITISM

Supporting our community during times of crisis

Working to ensure that local civic actors are attuned to our concerns and our experience and are stepping up to their responsibility to fight antisemitism and support our community's safety.

#### COLLEYVIILLE **COMMUNITY BRIEFING**

After the Colleyville hostage crisis, JCRC swung into action: contacting interfaith partners, messaging to the public, and coordinating with CJP and ADL on immediate security concerns. We held a community security briefing with CJP and ADL with over 1,200 attendees, ensuring that our community was informed about the steps that have been and will continue to be taken for security, as well as the actions they could take.

Following the attack, JCRC organized Jewish leaders across MA to speak with one voice and urge Congress and Governor Baker to double federal and MA non-profit security funding.









#### **MAPPING PROJECT**

In June, when far left detractors of Israel targeted our institutions with the "Mapping Project," JCRC encouraged our partners to show their support - and they quickly came out in quick succession to denounce it unequivocally as antisemitism. JCRC also spoke out against the project in many media outlets.

Advocating to secure millions of dollars for nonprofit security grants for vulnerable nonprofit institutions, and successfully advocating for mandatory Genocide Education in the state of Massachusetts.

#### **NONPROFIT SECURITY**

In the midst of increasing antisemitic attacks and in order to safeguard Jewish institutions, JCRC has prioritized government funding for non-profit security grants. JCRC led the campaign for a supplemental MA non-profit grants pool, and, in 2022, successfully advocated for \$8 million in the last legislative session through the FY23 Budget and the economic development bill.

This enables nonprofit institutions to address their own security needs through such measures as security enhancements to physical locations, including the installation of cameras.

identities through personal stories.

#### STUDENT TO STUDENT PROGRAM

JCRC's new Student to Student program proactively fights antisemitism by bringing Jewish and non-Jewish high school students together to learn about Judaism through personal storytelling. Jewish high school Student Presenters visit local high schools with little or no connection to the Jewish community, to share their personal Jewish practices and experiences. This helps to break down stereotypes and foster increased understanding of our community, creating an environment where

young people can speak out when they see antisemitism.

In early November, JCRC held an orientation and welcomed our 12 new Student to Student ambassadors for the 2022-2023 school year. Students shared why they were inspired to join the program, with most acknowledging the rise in antisemitism: "I want to be part of the solution...and I believe educating people my age is the best place to start."



In 2022, a total allocation of nearly \$1.5 million in Commonwealth non-profit security grants, including to 22 Jewish organizations, was dispersed.



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- Participant in the Student to

Running programs like Student to Student where Jewish high schoolers share their Jewish





## Advancing our community's shared priorities

"My vote to pass the work and family mobility act was one of personal importance informed by my Jewish identify. When the law was threatened by a repeal effort, the Jewish Community Relations Council driven by the same values, stepped up to do the necessary work. We partnered to organize canvass and outreach efforts to make sure voters had the right information about the law. This is the critical work of JCRC—building relationships and networks that activate our community to build a more just Commonwealth for all." – Ruth B. Balser, State Representative, 12th Middlesex District





#### **LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION**

JCRC honored outstanding public officials who have demonstrated their commitment to our community's priorities, highlighted our work with Jewish Family Service of Metro West on Afghan Resettlement efforts, to secure funding for social service agencies and non-profit security, and showed our appreciation to Governor Charlie Baker for his partnership throughout the years. We honored Senator Cindy F. Friedman, Representative Ruth B. Balser, Cambridge City Councilor Patricia Nolan, Zachary Crowley, Chief of Staff, Office of Senator Jason Lewis, and Haley Arnold and Grace Robinson from Governor Baker's office.

#### **BUDGET AND LEGISLATION**

JCRC's leadership has significantly contributed to positive legislative outcomes that affect various constituencies on issues of voting rights, economic security, abortion access, and immigration. Our state budget and appropriations work bear powerful testimony to our impact, as JCRC has leveraged millions of dollars - 9 times JCRC's own operating budget - that will contribute to a fuller and more productive life for all.

\$1.5 million	For the Genocide Education Trust Fund
\$1 million	for Transitions to Work supporting job training for adults with disabilities
\$1.75 million	to provide employment support services for immigrants and refugees
\$1.03 million	for providers of services for naturally occurring retirement communities
\$5 million	to support the Secure Jobs Initiative for homeless or previously homeless families
\$500,000	to fund Bridges to College, preparing adults to transition and succeed in college
\$8 million	in nonprofit security grants



## YES On 4

JCRC successfully organized for **Yes On 4 for Safer Roads** leading several canvass and phone bank efforts. Together with coalition partners, Yes on 4 defeated a fear-driven campaign to reverse the Work and Family Mobility Act, which would enable all qualified state residents to apply for a standard Massachusetts driver's license, regardless of immigrant status.

#### CITY COUNCILORS AT VILNA SHUL

JCRC, CJP & the Vilna Shul welcomed five members of the Boston City Council along with several members of Mayor Wu's cabinet into the sukkah at Vilna Shul. The visit was an opportunity to share and celebrate our holiday tradition, to experience this historic space, and to engage in a **discussion about the past and future of the Jewish community in the city of Boston.** 







#### **STANDING WITH OUR FRIENDS IN UKRAINE**

In 2022, we leveraged community networks and partnerships we have built to support 12 Ukrainian refugee families through the United4Ukraine program – a model of private sponsorship that relies upon communities like ours to step up to welcome more immigrants and refugees.



Solving challenges behind the scenes by making connections, educating leaders, facilitating conversations, and driving change

#### **OUR COMMUNITY'S AFGHAN RESETTLEMENT WORK**

JCRC has intensified our immigration work by building and supporting a robust community infrastructure in partnership with Catholic Charities, Jewish Family Services of MetroWest, Jewish Vocational Services and The Shapiro Foundation. We have organized over 35 congregational support teams, including over 24 synagogues, to welcome more than 220 Afghans, who escaped Kabul since September 2021. These teams, made up of hundreds of volunteers, have fundraised, located housing, helped families run errands and get to medical appointments, enrolled kids in school, helped the adults find employment, and do so much more to accompany them on the on the path toward independence.

JCRC has consistently convened monthly meetings for team leaders to connect, share challenges and resources, and become an active peer network for one another.

JCRC is committed to supporting our community in welcoming people seeking safety. We will also advocate for the necessary public resources needed to ensure the Commonwealth supports these new arrivals.







#### JCRC and Our Partners\* Organized

**Congregational Support** Teams, including



Synagogues to welcome more than

Afghans who escaped Kabul since 2021

\*In partnership with Catholic Charities, Jewish Family Services of MetroWest, Jewish Vocational Services and The Shapiro





### **ABORTION JUSTICE**

JCRC affirms our support for abortion access. In partnership with our council members and community and faith allies, we are advancing policy and interventions that remove barriers to abortion and other reproductive rights. We ensured Jewish voice and perspective was represented in the 2022 legislative session as the abortion access law was debated sending letters to the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the conference committee in support of expanded abortion protections.

JCRC is serving as a convener for Jewish communal organizations focused on reproductive justice in Massachusetts and have helped execute two state-wide events. JCRC has also brought together cross-denominational leaders from congregations around MA working on these issues to share ideas, insights, and work through questions and to collaborate to support local abortion providers. In addition to helping launch post-abortion care package drives, we have collected Uber and Lyft cards to help with existing and increasing barriers for transportation.



Committing to a high level of Holocaust programming, education, and survivor relationships in Greater Boston



#### **YOM HASHOAH**

Amplifying the voices of survivors and eyewitnesses to history has never been more crucial. In May, we held a virtual Yom HaShoah gathering with 600 members of our community to honor our local Holocaust survivors and transmit their legacy as well as shed light on the pervasive problem of Holocaust distortion and minimization. The program featured Holocaust Survivor Frieda Grayzel, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, Yom HaShoah

#### **NEHM** memorial

In 2022, JCRC revitalized the docent program and visitor experience by training 15 new docents as we restarted our in-person tours of the New England Holocaust Memorial.







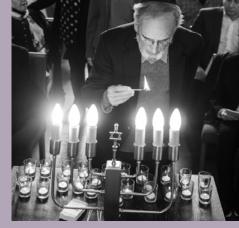
#### **SPEAKER SERIES**

Through our speaker series, JCRC gives our community and leaders the tools to do community relations, to speak to our neighbors, and to understand the issues impacting us.

JCRC hosted conversations with **David Baddiel**, comedian and author of Jews Don't Count, with 475 attendees, with **Dr. Rachel Fish,** on why "We Can't Stop Talking About Antisemitism" and with Professor Charles Gallagher, author of The Nazis of Copley Square.

We hosted other important conversations, including: "The Normalization of Extremism: Charlottesville to January 6th and Beyond" - with Amy Spitalnick, Executive Director of Integrity First for America and Reverend Willie Bodrick, Senior Pastor Twelfth Baptist Church and "Our Community's Afghan Resettlement Work"- with Temple Emanuel's Rav Hazzan Aliza Berger, JCRC Director of Synagogue Organizing Rachie Lewis, and St. John - St. Paul Catholic Collaborative's Kelly Meraw.





Committee Chair Rick Mann, Ambassador Meron Reuben, Consul General of Israel to New England, Nicole Menzenbach, Consul General of Germany to New England, Dachau concentration camp liberator Colonel Cranston "Chan" Rogers, Reverend Nancy Taylor, and the winners of the Israel Arbeiter (z"l) Holocaust Essay Contest.



"With the passage of time, a new war on European soil, and in the face of rising tide of antisemitism, it's all the more important to remember the lessons and horrors of the Holocaust."

- Ambassador Meron Reuben, Consul General of Israel to New England

#### **YIZKOR**

JCRC and our partners hosted our first in-person Yizkor Service since 2019 for our community's local survivors and their families which included survivor testimony and the lighting of memorial candles to remember those in the survivor community who have passed away over the last year. This year, we were finally able to be together again in person with survivors and their families, at Brandeis University. We heard remarks from survivor Magda Bader, who told her story of escaping Auschwitz at age 15.



## Forming deep, strategic connections and facilitating important and timely conversations



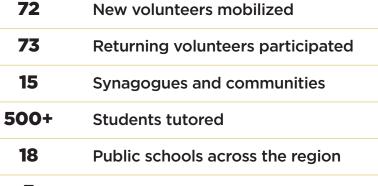
## **Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for** Literacy (GBJCL)

After a year of pandemic disruptions in public education, in the 2022-23 school year, GBJCL mobilized 72 new volunteers and 73 returning volunteers from 15 synagogues and communities, who tutored over 500 students at 18 public schools across the region. We welcomed 3 new schools into the GBJCL network.

In the 2021-22 school year, JCRC held its first ever Poem in your Pocket Day, a celebration in honor of National Poetry Month, partnering with the Academy of American Poets and Mass Poetry to bring 20 volunteers and over 650 students to presentations from local poets in the five schools.

JCRC also held its first ever Read Across America Day, bringing 16 volunteers into five schools reading to over 300 students throughout Greater Boston celebrating a 'love of reading.'

GBJCL Volunteers heard from award winning artist and illustrator Ekua Holmes who spoke about her children's book illustrations and about her experience as an artist and educator.



3 New schools joined GBJCL Network



#### Ambassador **Michael Herzoa**

With our partners at the Consulate of Israel and CJP, JCRC hosted a **roundtable** with Michael Herzog, Ambassador of Israel to the United States with over 50 community leaders for a conversation on his first visit to a U.S. city outside of Washington since assuming office in November 2021.



#### **Duxbury Bridge Dedication**

In response to antisemitism and Holocaust minimization in Duxbury, our community responded in many ways. One was to work with State Representative Josh Cutler on his successful effort to dedicate two bridges, one to the Lewis Sisters and the other Cora Wilburn reminding and educating the town about Duxbury's diverse history. Jeremy Burton and Professor Jonathan Sarna spoke at the education honoring the life and legacy of writer Cora Wilburn.



JCRC hosted many of our partner organizations that we support, amplify, and learn from as a part of our Boston Partners for Peace initiative. We welcomed visionary leader Mohamed Darawshe of Givat Haviva in one our first in-person programs since March 2020. JCRC also held several virtual programs. We hosted Women Wage Peace and Women of the Sun, two groups working together on peacebuilding efforts and women's empowerment between Israeli's and Palestinians. CEO Jeremy Burton sat down with Ikhlas Ishtaya and Tal Kfir Schurr, two members of the Parents Circle – Families Forum (PCFF), a joint Israeli-Palestinian community of some 600 families who've lost immediate loved ones to the ongoing conflict. JCRC also spoke with the executive director and education director of Hand in Hand: Center for Jewish-Arab Education in Israel. Hand in Hand has created a growing network of integrated bilingual schools across Israel, serving Israeli Arab and Jewish children, families and the wider community.







#### **Rachael Rollins**

JCRC joined a media event at the Moakley Courthouse to support DA Rachael Rollins in the face of threats. As Rollins, a friend and ally in the response to local antisemitic incidents, was being harshly targeted, JCRC joined with many of our partners in Black clergy to support her and demand that she and her family receive protection.

#### **ISRAEL STUDY TOUR**

In July, JCRC brought a group of 13 Greater Boston Area Clergy to Israel to tour Jewish and Christian holy sites and engage in complex and nuanced conversations about opportunities for - and challenges to - grassroots peacebuilding efforts. The group met with people in Jewish, Arab, and Druze communities and visited the Galilee, the Northern Border, Haifa, Jerusalem, Nazareth, the West Bank, and Tel Aviv. We were also pleased to have the group meet with several our Boston Partners for Peace to hear about work going on every day between Israelis and Palestinians to build a better future for both societies.

#### **BOSTON PARTNERS FOR PEACE**

# **TOGETHER** WE CELEBRATE

## To honor our Past Presidents **Jill Goldenberg** and Adam Suttin

We celebrated JCRC's many accomplishments and honored Jill and Adam's combined decades of service to the organization and our community.

It was wonderful to hear from friends, allies, and civic and faith leaders about how JCRC shows up to mobilize our community, acts as a catalyst for change, and creates connections across communities. Board President, Scott Gilefsky, thanked everyone for being personal stakeholders in the past, present and future of JCRC as we recognized our past and current achievements, but also envisioned the bright future of our organization.



"To all of you: lift others up. Talent spot. Find roles for emerging leaders, for those whose voices have not vet been heard at your table.

Tzedek, tzedek tirdof. Justice, justice shall you pursue.

Justice is not a solitary endeavor. I join with so many of you who make this journey better."

- Jill Goldenberg



#### **FROM ADAM SUTTIN:**

"Back in 2009, I was impressed with how JCRC worked with a council of **Boston Jewish leaders** to set priorities and then get results. It was easy for me to accept an invitation to join the board. I leveraged my professional experience to allow me to get involved and help on financial issues, fundraising and organizational effectiveness. JCRC has responded to changes in the geopolitical environment and increased political divides to bridge differences and find a path forward on areas of common concern. Staying relevant and even being ahead of the curve is crucial. I applaud JCRC's team for forecasting what is needed to keep Boston's Jewish community strong."

Event co-chairs Michelle and Darren Black, **Barbara and** Frank Litwin



Top: Co-chairs Michelle & Darren Black and Barbara & Frank Litwin Middle: CEO Jeremy Burton **Bottom: Representative** Simon Cataldo, Chessie Cataldo, Senator Becca **Rausch, Jeremy Burton** 

## **TOGETHER WE ARE** THOUGHT LEADERS

Over recent years, JCRC has built deep partnerships with local media in order to encourage their responsiveness to reporting the crisis of antisemitism as it presents in Massachusetts.

## **IEWISHINSIDER**

Boston BDS map of Jewish groups has 'potential to incite violence,' Auchincloss says.

#### By Marc Rod, June 9, 2022

"We see this as an explicit effort to name and identify and put a target on physical Jewish spaces in Greater Boston, with the purpose, explicitly in their own words, of dismantling our Jewish community here in Boston," which could "inspire others to dangerous action." Burton urged lawmakers with ties to groups like Massachusetts Peace Action that have amplified the project to enact "consequences in those relationships."

## Patch

House Passes Reproductive Rights Bill With Rep. Vitolo's Support.

In June, JCRC of Greater Boston **Condemned Supreme Court** Decision Overturning Roe v. Wade

#### By Annie Sandoli, June 30, 2022

"We have long advocated for the protection of abortion rights and for unrestricted access to affordable healthcare for all people," Jeremy Burton, Chief Executive Officer of Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Boston (JCRC), said in a statement. "Judaism affirms abortion as healthcare especially when lives can be saved. We deeply appreciate the Legislature's foresight in passing the ROE Act and stand with them as they continue to protect abortion."

## **C** News

Massachusetts Jewish leaders dismayed, angered over likely reversal of Roe v. Wade.

#### By Mark Herz, May 5, 2022

#### Also published in the MA Politico Playbook

"Within the Jewish tradition, we have a different approach to understanding the beginning of life, and a different approach to understanding how one balances the value of the fetus and the value of the person who is pregnant."



In June, when the BDS movement targeted our institutions with the "Mapping Project," JCRC spoke out against the project in many media outlets.

#### By Jeremy Siegel, June 17, 2022

The Mapping Project, a website listing Jewish organizations and other institutions in Massachusetts that its creators claim harm Palestinians, has provoked concern and fear among some members of Boston's Jewish community. Jeremy Burton, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Boston, joined GBH's Morning Edition host Jeremy Siegel to talk about why he sees the website as an incitement to violence.

## The Boston Blake

A Jewish hit list': Antisemitic mapping project seen as incitement to violence in Massachusetts.

#### By Mike Damiano, June 15, 2022

"The release and promotion of the map has been deeply clarifying with regard to the actual agenda of far-left proponents of BDS in Boston. People have different opinions about Israel-Palestine, about America's role, about BDS, but this is a group of folks that has put something out there that targets not just organizations that work on US-Israel relations or Israeli security, but Jewish day schools, Jewish cultural centers, a Jewish disability services group." What about the argument that not all of the organizations listed are Jewish? "Pardon my French, but that's bull[expletive]," Burton said. "This is dangerous."



Wellesley's student paper editorial board says anti-Israel Mapping Project 'is providing a vital service'.

Jeremy Burton, CEO of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Boston, pointed out that the project has even been disavowed by the Palestinian **BDS National Committee "because** it conflicts with their self-proclaimed commitment to anti-racism and nonviolence."

By Kassy Dillon, October 7, 2022

## The Boston Bloke

New ethnic studies requirements mean more lessons on race in Boston classrooms.

#### By Linda K. Wetheimer, February 17, 2022

"It boils down to, where do Jews sit in a curriculum? Are we an oppressed minority? Or are we wholly seen as an extension of the great white oppression?"

## JEWISH VOICE

Cora Wilburn, an early American Jewish novelist, gets a bridge named for her in her Mass. town.

#### By Penny Schwartz. October 13, 2022

"As we celebrate the dedication of the two bridges, we celebrate the commitment to build bridges between communities and toward a better future."



forward.



JCRC regularly responds to requests for comment and op-eds from the Jewish community and beyond to respond to the issues and concerns facing our community. JCRC has published several widely read articles on various subjects this year: from bearing witness to the Respect for Marriage Act being signed into law, to the rise of antisemitism, the debate on ethnic studies, and Nonprofit Security, JCRC uses its voice to lead the discussion both in Boston and for the broader community relations field.

## The Boston Bloke

Antisemitic past of German town's Passion Play is not to be overlooked.

#### By Jeremy Burton and Robert Leikind, October 2, 2022

When the Boston Globe published a feature about the German passion play Oberammergau, with no mention of its antisemitic history, JCRC responded in a way that provided not rebuke, but context and information that generated greater understanding.

Meeting with the editors, we discussed and identified positive steps the Globe could take in their newsroom going

## JEWISH VOICE

On a proposed statewide curriculum and commission under consideration by the Massachusetts state legislature.

**Guest Editorial: A Jewish** Perspective on the MA Debate **Over Ethnic Studies.** 

By Jeremy Burton, January 3, 2022

#### **RNS Religion News Service**

**CEO** Jeremy Burton had the honor of being invited to the White House as President Biden signed the Respect for Marriage Act into law. He and Rev. Laura Everett, executive director of the Mass Council of Churches, wrote an op-ed for Religion News Service on the cost and power of "Being Visible."

https://religionnews. com/2022/12/15/respect-formarriage-reconciliation-and-beingseen-on-the-white-house-lawn/

Visibility has a cost, and enormous power. On Tuesday (Dec. 13), we stood together — Jeremy in his rainbow kippah, Laura in her clerical collar — on the White House lawn to bear witness as President Joe Biden signed the Respect for Marriage Act into law. We had traveled from Boston, foremost as friends, but also as leaders in our respective Jewish and Christian communities. We were there to see this law be signed, and to celebrate, but also to be seen.

## JCRC Board, Community Representatives, and Staff AS OF 2/1/2023

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## JCRC BY THE NUMBERS

## **FY22 Financial Report**

#### SUPPORT AND REVENUE

CJP Grants	1,117,5
Support from Grants and Foundations	496
Individual Donors	495,
Event Revenue	404,
In-Kind Donations	
Other Income	31,
Total Support and Revenue	\$ 2,544,9

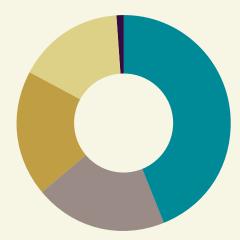
#### **EXPENSES BY PROGRAM**

Surplus Added to Reserves

Community Engagement Programs	
Community Relations	668,7
Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy	138,5
New England Holocaust Memorial	158,0
Total Community Engagement	965,3
Advocacy & Organizing	
Synagogue Organizing	133,3
Government Affairs	427,3
Total Advocacy & Organizing	560,6
Israel Engagement	331,8
Total Program Expenses	\$ 1,857,8
Administrative & Development Expenses	524,2
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 2,382,1
Change in Net Assets from Operations	541,4
Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses)	270,9
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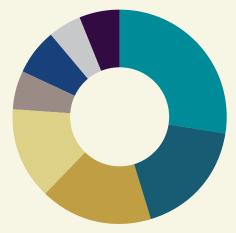
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### **FY22 Revenue and Expenses**



#### **REVENUE BY SOURCE:**

- CJP Grants 44% Support from Grants & Foundations 20% Individual Giving 19% **Event Revenue 16%**
- Other Income 1%



#### **EXPENSES BY SOURCE:**

- Community Relations 28%
- Government Affairs 18%
- General & Administrative 17%
- Israel Engagement 14%
- GBJCL 6%
- **NE Holocaust Memorial** 7%
- Development & Communication 5%
- Synagogue Organizing 6%

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