

# JCRC:



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## 2021 IMPACT REPORT



*Jewish Community  
Relations Council*



**LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & PRESIDENT**

THIS YEAR BROUGHT IMMENSE CHALLENGES for our community, our neighbors, and our nation. Together we faced the second year of a pandemic and continued high levels of antisemitism and other forms of hatred. At each moment, JCRC’s commitment to our core mission never wavered, nor did our resolve to advocate for the collective needs and priorities of the organized Jewish community of Greater Boston.

JCRC and our allies joined forces to stand together against antisemitism. When Rabbi Shlomo Noginski was attacked and stabbed on the street outside the Shalom House in Brighton this July, JCRC brought the Jewish community together with civic leaders, law enforcement, and interfaith partners to show our community that we do not stand alone.

We brought our partners together to recommit to preserving the memory and teaching the lessons of the Holocaust as we unveiled new features of the New England Holocaust Memorial this summer, stood together at our Shine a Light on Antisemitism event, and successfully advocated for a Genocide Education bill – signed into law this past December.

When the BDS movement targeted Cambridge with a measure to embrace a virulent anti-Israel boycott, we mobilized our network, key influencers, and community members to fight it. We amplified the voices that opposed the measure – and together made it a priority to fight against those who demonize Israel and the Jewish people.

When Afghan refugees fled their homes and sought refuge in Boston, JCRC built on our track record of organizing a community-wide response and leveraged our expertise to mobilize a vast network of synagogues to provide housing, furniture, and more to support their resettlement.

After the violence of January 6th, we recommitted to defending democracy by testifying on behalf of the VOTES act, one of the boldest electoral reforms introduced in Massachusetts state history. We’re also working with the Drawing Democracy Coalition to ensure that underrepresented communities have the opportunity to elect candidates of their choice who best reflect their needs and interests.

In the pages of this report, you will read about the determination, commitment, and care that drove JCRC’s work this year. The challenges that we met, and continue to face, are immense. But we at JCRC remain resolute to meet them as a community, to work together with our partners, and to forge new relationships, so, together, we may pursue a path forward.

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 to every JCRC partner, donor, volunteer, and leader who worked with us this year.

Together, we endeavor to achieve JCRC’s vision of a Greater Boston where the policy priorities of the Jewish community are implemented and Jewish social service agencies are well-funded.

Together, we work to confront antisemitism in all its forms, push back against anti-Israel bias, and activate our community in civic engagement.

Thank you,



**JEREMY BURTON**  
JCRC Executive Director



**SCOTT GILEFSKY**  
JCRC President

**We remember survivor Israel (Izzy) Arbeiter z”l who passed this year.**



**ISRAEL (IZZY) ARBEITER Z”L**

Izzy, 96, was the survivor of several concentration camps, including Auschwitz. He was a fierce advocate on behalf of his fellow survivors, a passionate transmitter of memory of the Shoah to future generations, and co-founder of the New England Holocaust Memorial. Izzy’s memory lives on in our Annual Israel Arbeiter Holocaust Essay Contest.



JCRC convenes our community at moments of critical importance; and our relationships ensure that key partners will be there when we need them the most.

### SHINE A LIGHT ON ANTISEMITISM

JCRC and CJP celebrated the second night of Chaukah with our partners at the New England Holocaust Memorial for 'Shine A Light on Antisemitism'; part of a national mobilization to showcase civic leaders beyond the Jewish community. We were thrilled to welcome Mayor Wu in her first weeks in office. We also had powerful remarks from faith partners that were a testament to the work of JCRC in interfaith relationship building. JCRC publicly recommitted to Holocaust awareness and fighting antisemitism with our partners Senator Rodrigues and Representative Jeff Roy (leaders of the Genocide Education Bill), Reverend Laura Everett, Executive Director of MA Council of Churches, Reverend Carrington Moore of King Boston, Consul General Meron Reuben, Consul General Nicole Menzenbach, and Rabbi Elaine Zecher.



"Antisemitism is not a problem for Jews to fight, and it's not a problem that Jews can solve. It is a challenge for civic leaders, it is a challenge for our society."

- EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JEREMY BURTON, Shine a Light on Antisemitism Event



### BRIGHTON VIGIL

In July, Chabad Rabbi Shlomo Noginski was attacked and stabbed on the street outside the Shaloh House in Brighton. JCRC organized a vigil, bringing together the Jewish community, civic leaders, law enforcement, interfaith partners, and concerned individuals from across Boston. JCRC and our community were joined by US Attorney Rachael Rollins and Former Mayor Kim Janey, as well as many other elected officials and community and faith leaders.

### MAYORAL FORUMS

JCRC led and collaborated with our network to create opportunities for the mayoral candidates to engage with our community. We collaborated on mayoral panels with 2Life Community, Greater Boston Interfaith Organization, and ADL.



### YOM HASHOAH

Amplifying the voices of survivors and eyewitnesses to history has never been more crucial. In April, we held a virtual Yom HaShoah gathering with 600 members of our community to honor our local Holocaust survivors and transmit their legacy.



Through relationships with civic leaders and law makers, JCRC amplifies the voices of the organized Jewish community and ensures that our voice is heard.

**JCRC LEVERAGED \$9 MILLION FOR THE SOCIAL SERVICES NETWORK in the final MA budget, with an overall increase in funding for priority initiatives:**

**\$1M for Transitions to Work**, which creates job training programs for adults with disabilities.

**\$500K for the Bridges to College Program**, which helps young adults get into college and sets them up for longtime success.

**\$1.5M to bolster state funding to protect our at-risk institutions**, including places of worship, critical as instances of antisemitism continue to rise.

**\$5M for the Secure Jobs initiative**, which provides job placement, housing support and stabilization services to those who are housing insecure.

**\$856K in NORC funding** to help seniors stay in their homes and provide access to exercise, socialization, healthcare and other services.

**\$1.25M for Employment Services for new immigrants and refugees**, who make up the backbone of our society and workforce.

**GENOCIDE EDUCATION**

JCRC successfully advocated for **An Act Concerning Genocide Education**, which will mandate lessons on the Holocaust and other mass atrocities for students in Massachusetts, and create a Genocide Education Trust Fund.

This legislation, signed into law by Governor Baker in December 2021, fills a critical need given the disturbingly high rates of ignorance about the Holocaust in younger generations.

JCRC is now working with the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education on their implementation plan, and with the other members of the bill coalition to secure public and private funding for the Trust Fund.



**2021 LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION : HONORING OUR LEGISLATIVE PARTNERS**

At JCRC's annual legislative reception honoring our partners in government and lifting up JCRC's advocacy on behalf of our community



Executive Leadership Award Recipient Lt. Governor Karyn Polito



Legislative Leadership Award Recipient Senator William Brownsberger



Legislative Leadership Award Recipient Representative Denise Garlick



Legislative Leadership Award Recipient Representative Chynah Tyler



Legislative Staff Achievement Award Recipient Jeremy Spittle



**HONORING THE LATE CHIEF JUSTICE RALPH GANTS Z"l**

In honor of Chief Justice Gants, whose commitment to justice shaped much of JCRC's priorities, the Excellence in Leadership Award will be awarded at future Legislative Receptions to those who pursue justice and equality in their own work as **The Chief Justice Ralph Gants Equal Justice Award**.

**NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANTS**

In the midst of increasing antisemitic attacks and in order to safeguard Jewish institutions, **JCRC has prioritized government funding for non-profit security grants**, with a two-tiered approach. JCRC leads the campaign for a supplemental MA non-profit grants pool, and successfully advocated for 1.5 million per year in the last two state budgets. This enables nonprofit institutions to address their own security needs through such measures such as security enhancements to physical locations, including the installation of cameras. In the last fiscal year, funding was awarded to 31 local Jewish institutions. At the federal level, JCRC joins the Jewish Federations of North America's campaign to fully fund the Department of Homeland Security non-profit security grants fund.

JCRC is a catalyst for change – we activate our community to engage in critical areas – and get results.

### OUR COMMUNITY'S AFGHAN RESETTLEMENT WORK

Our community has watched the scenes coming out of Afghanistan – the thousands of Afghans, desperately trying to flee perilous conditions and escape to safety. And many of us have wondered, “what can we do to help?” Building on our track record of organizing a community-wide response to the urgent needs of immigrants, **we at JCRC leveraged our expertise to build an infrastructure to welcome Afghan immigrants and refugees to our community.** JCRC is leading and implementing a community-wide synagogue response, mobilizing a vast network of synagogues to provide housing, furniture, and more to support their resettlement. The teams, made up of hundreds of volunteers, begin by fundraising and locating housing. When the families arrive, they greet them at the airport, with balloons and toys for the kids. They then aid with anything the newcomers might need: groceries, public benefits, schooling, transportation, and much more.

#### JCRC and Our Partners Organized

**35**  
COMMUNITY  
SUPPORT TEAMS  
including

**25**  
SYNAGOGUES  
to welcome more than

over  
**200**  
AFGHAN FAMILIES  
and INDIVIDUALS

This work has been in partnership with Catholic Charities, JFS Metrowest and JVS, and supported by The Shapiro Foundation and CJP.



### BDS BILL IN CAMBRIDGE

This year, when the BDS (Boycott, Divestment & Sanctions) movement targeted Cambridge with a measure to embrace a virulent anti-Israel boycott, we mobilized our network, key influencers and community members to fight it.

We amplified the voices that opposed the measure – and together **made it a priority to fight against those who demonize Israel and the Jewish people.**

### NEW ENGLAND HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL WORK

JCRC, along with our partners at CJP and Facing History and Ourselves, officially **unveiled a new website and virtual and mobile tours for the New England Holocaust Memorial**, which will greatly enhance the experience of visitors. The tour features testimonials from local Holocaust survivors, a short history of the Holocaust, the symbolism of the Memorial and resources for educators, all accessible through QR codes.

We have transformed the Memorial's website, which now includes a walk-through feature that can be accessed from anywhere in the world. These components will open up the New England Holocaust Memorial as an educational experience for a broader audience and generations to come, ensuring that even more people have the opportunity to learn.

We were joined at the memorial unveiling by Reverend Lorraine Thornhill, Pastor of Kingdom Empowerment Center, President of the Cambridge Black Pastors Alliance and a Chaplain for the Cambridge Police Department who spoke powerfully of our shared work in combating bigotry and antisemitism; and Josh Kraft, President of Kraft Family Philanthropies, Governor Charlie Baker, Mayor Kim Janey, Addison Dion, granddaughter of Stephan Ross z"l and Survivor Janet Singer Applefied.

### SPOTLIGHT ON OUR RESETTLEMENT EFFORTS



“Being Jewish, we carry in our DNA the experience of being exiled. If our ancestors were lucky, there were people there to welcome them. It is our sacred mission to pay it forward by welcoming refugees and being present for those who have been driven from their homes, looking for safety, security, and community.”

– RAV HAZAN ALIZA BERGER



JCRC connects disparate voices and ideas, fostering relationships to build a stronger Greater Boston community.

## CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP MEETINGS WITH SENATOR MARKEY AND REPRESENTATIVE AUCHINCLOSS

JCRC facilitated meetings between Jewish communal leadership and these two congressional leaders, to discuss the MA-Israel relationship, antisemitism, immigration, and much more.



## BOSTON PARTNERS FOR PEACE

This year, we advocated for the full funding of The Nita M. Lowey Middle East Partnership for Peace Act (MEPPA), which promotes economic cooperation and people-to-people peacebuilding programs. As a member of a CJP mission to Israel, JCRC introduced participants to Mohammad Darawshe of Givat Haviva, the Center for Shared Society in Israel.

Our Speaker Series highlighted our Boston Partners for Peace partner organizations the Arava Institute, Givat Haviva, The Parents Circle, and The Abraham Initiatives.

## JCRC SPEAKER SERIES

JCRC's speaker series continues to provide our community with wide-ranging and thoughtful discussions on a variety of critical issues. Through our speaker series, **we create forums for meaningful dialogue on pressing concerns and current events.**



Raz Smilovich, Israeli Tour Educator



Senator Eric Lesser



Senator Becca Rausch



Attorney General Maura Healey



Dr. Rachel Fish, Boundless



Dieufort J. Fleurissant, the True Alliance Center



Geoff Foster, Common Cause Massachusetts

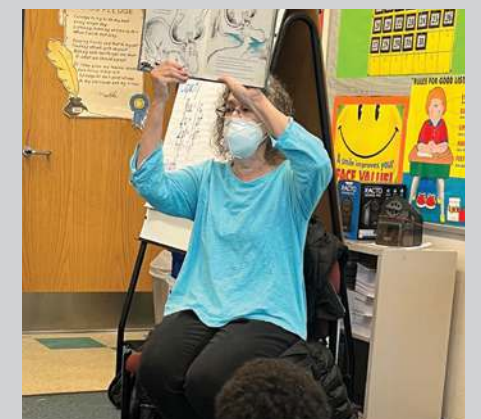


Amnon Be'eri-Sulitzeanu, The Abraham Fund

## GREATER BOSTON JEWISH COALITION FOR LITERACY (GBJCL)

GBJCL volunteers are currently tutoring in combination of in person, remote and hybrid tutoring that goes beyond academics to prioritize the value at the core of our work: our relationships with students. Many volunteers have prioritized maintaining connection with students during the pandemic, transcending the limitations of Zoom to forge new relationships.

Many students have been isolated and disconnected from their learning communities, making the special one-to-one relationships provided by tutors that much more crucial.



## JCRC INNOVATES AND LEADS IN THE FIELD OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS.

### The Boston Globe

**A coach is fired, but now the work must begin**

*Letter from Jeremy Burton, Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Boston; Robert Leikind, American Jewish Committee New England; Robert Trestan, Anti-Defamation League New England. March 27, 2021*

“For members of the Jewish community, these are not casual questions. In its most recent Hate Crimes Statistics Report, the FBI reported that more than 60 percent of all religiously based hate crimes are directed at Jews and Jewish institutions, despite the fact that Jews constitute less than 2 percent of the US population. Today synagogues across our region no longer think it is safe to keep their doors unlocked and, prior to the onset of the pandemic, many synagogues felt compelled to hire security guards for times of prayer.”

JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY

**Cambridge, Mass., adopts a resolution critical of Israel, while a boycott measure falls short**

*By Penny Schwartz. May 27, 2021*

“BDS lost in a clear vote tonight in Cambridge,” Jeremy Burton, the JCRC executive director, wrote in an email. Rather than “demonize one company and one country,” Burton said Cambridge “adopted a human rights lens in contracting that applies neutrally to all countries and vendors.”

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**Suffolk DA Rollins Investigating Brighton Rabbi Stabbing As Possible Hate Crime**

*By Quincy Walters and Jack Mitchell. July 2, 2021*

Jeremy Burton, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Boston, said he had a clear message to express: “The Jewish community is angry. And the Jewish community is united.” “At a time of rising violence and antisemitism across this country, no Jew, no building, no part of our community, no neighborhood will stand alone,” Burton said. “And we expect — we demand — that we have the right to live, to walk in the streets, to be visible or not visible as Jews, to gather together, to celebrate and to live our lives as Jews fully, with joy and without fear.”

### Patch

**Jason Lewis Supports Senate Passage of Genocide Education Bill**

*By Jason Lewis. October 21, 2021*

“We are grateful to Senate President Spilka, Chair Rodrigues, Chair Lewis, and their fellow Senators for moving forward a bill that includes strong provisions to ensure that schools across the Commonwealth have access to Holocaust and genocide education programs,” said Jeremy Burton, Executive Director for the Jewish Community Relations Council. “Numerous incidents over the last year have shown us that this coursework is as critical and relevant now as it has ever been. We are eager to see this bill make it to the Governor’s desk as swiftly as possible.”

JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY

**Following high-profile antisemitic incidents, Massachusetts lawmakers vote to require genocide education in high schools**

*By Penny Schwartz. November 26, 2021*

*Also published in Times of Israel and Jerusalem Post.*

“As stewards of the New England Holocaust Memorial, JCRC honors the sacred obligation to lift up the experiences of those who survived the Holocaust in our own Greater Boston community, using their stories as a lesson to future generations about the consequences of unchecked hatred and intolerance,” said Jeremy Burton, JCRC’s executive director.



**During Hanukkah Celebration, Boston Jewish Community Pushes Back Against Anti-Semitism**

*By Michael Rosenfield. November 29, 2021*

“We know that anti-Semitism is not a problem for Jews to fight, and it’s not a problem Jews can solve,” said Jeremy Burton, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council. “It is a challenge for civic leaders, it is a challenge for society.”

## Op-eds from Executive Director Jeremy Burton:

JCRC regularly responds to requests for comment and op-eds from the Jewish community and beyond, to analyze and interpret antisemitism in its current iteration, and to provide actions steps to combat it. JCRC has published several widely read articles on the subject; framing the discussion both in Boston and for the broader community relations field.

JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY

**Bruce Springsteen’s Super Bowl ad offered a powerful vision of American unity — for Christians.**

*By Jeremy Burton. February 2, 2021*

“As we imagine a renewed civic faith to carry us forward in challenging times, we need not reject who we are – neither as a whole nor in our many parts. We must, however, do a better job of understanding how our faiths may not always invite others to be included in our shared civic space. We must commit to affirming a civic faith that binds us in united purpose, in a language that honors the many faiths and traditions that are woven into the tapestry that is America.”

## THE TIMES OF ISRAEL

**How an American left lens can get Israel wrong.**

*By Jeremy Burton. May 20, 2021*

“The western narrative of colonialism doesn’t explain this painful, lasting conflict between two indigenous peoples struggling to share one homeland.”



**Liberalism and the Common Calling of Blacks and Jews.**

*By Jeremy Burton. May, 2021*

“If President Washington’s promise still means something to American Jews, then we must strengthen the Jewish partnership with the Black community to fight against racism in all its forms, to create justice for all Americans—especially for those whose experience has not infused Washington’s words with the same hope and meaning. To do otherwise is to settle for a future in which the collective American project has been compromised and the aspirations of the Founders diminished.”

# JCRC Celebrates 10 Years of Many Meaningful Moments Jeremy Burton

## JCRC CELEBRATES JEREMY'S 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

We celebrated JCRC's work on behalf of our community, and Executive Director Jeremy Burton's decade of dedication. We heard from colleagues and civic leaders about how JCRC is a national leader in creating broad, deep impact in our community and building bridges.

**"Jeremy is able to make change, to bring people along, to engage people in the issues that matter to Greater Boston's Jewish Community"**  
- KARYN COHEN, ONE8 FOUNDATION

**"Jeremy knows how to build alliances and partnerships, in such a meaningful and constructive and helpful way. He's a wonderful bridge builder."**  
- IMAM ABDULLAH ANTEPLI, CO-DIRECTOR, THE MUSLIM LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE, SHALOM HARTMAN INSTITUTE

**"Jeremy is the master of collaboration, convening, and partnerships. He knows that to really, really be a catalyst, to really make change, you have to bring in the community, all stakeholders together."**  
- LINO COVARRUBIAS, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, JFS OF METROWEST

**"When we worked on criminal justice reform issues, Jeremy was right there on the steps inside the statehouse, advocating, pushing, bringing people together."**  
- BEVERLY WILLIAMS, GREATER BOSTON INTERFAITH ORGANIZATION



**Lisa Wallack**  
"Our Jewish community and our entire community are stronger and better as a result of Jeremy's amazing leadership."



**Josh Kraft**  
"A memorable moment is just always being able to get your insights, your thoughts, on politics and politicians in Massachusetts."



**Former Congressman Joe Kennedy III**  
"I will always know of the times that when I needed you, when so many needed you, you were always there."



**Val & Mark Friedman**  
"Jeremy, congratulations on 10 years as Executive Director. We look forward to many more years of your great work."



**Barry Shrage**  
"Jeremy is a great personal friend, a great Jewish leader, and I know that he'll be continuing to lead our Jewish community for years and years to come."



**Bill Gabovitch & Nancy Viner**  
"When Jeremy walks into a room, he has a special gift for bringing people together no matter the perspectives or background."



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As of 2/16/2022

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Debra Kardon

**The American Association of Jewish Holocaust Survivors & Descendants of Greater Boston, Inc.**  
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**American Friends of Magen David Adom**  
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# JCRC by the Numbers

## FY21 FINANCIAL REPORT

### SUPPORT AND REVENUE

CJP Grants	1,193,501
Support from Grants and Foundations	544,975
Individual Donors	380,925
Event Revenue	251,778
In-Kind Donations	3,420
Other Income	16,359

**Total Support and Revenue \$ 2,390,959**

### EXPENSES BY PROGRAM

Community Engagement Programs	
Community Relations	622,186
Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy	182,621
New England Holocaust Memorial	157,597
<b>Total Community Engagement</b>	<b>962,404</b>

Advocacy & Organizing	
Synagogue Organizing	123,010
Government Affairs	286,102
<b>Total Advocacy &amp; Organizing</b>	<b>409,112</b>

Israel Engagement 191,637

**Total Program Expenses \$ 1,563,153**

Administrative & Development Expenses 447,240

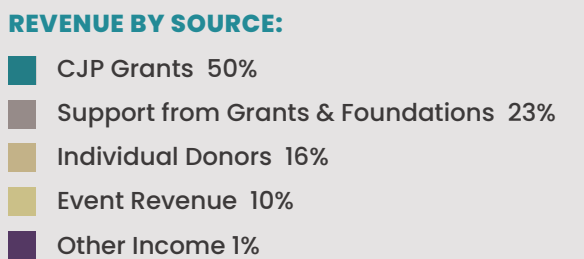
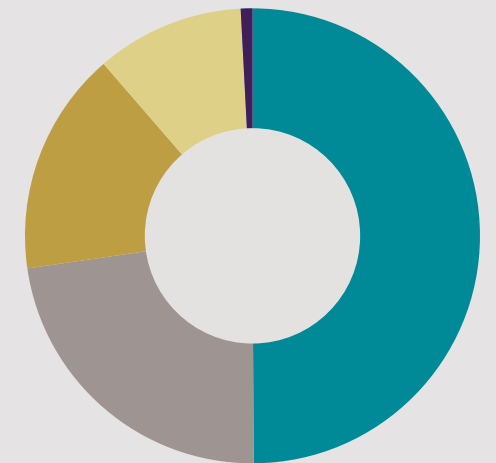
**TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 2,010,393**

Surplus Added to Organizational Unrestricted Reserve 380,566

Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses) 308,882

Change in Net Assets 689,448

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