



Case Statement

The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) is the voice of the Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey on issues of public policy, social advocacy and community outreach.

The JCRC annually touches the lives of thousands of people within our community – both young and old and Jewish and non-Jewish by:

- holding community and school-based programs, which educate children and adults on the lessons of the Holocaust;
- providing volunteer services in 35 area elementary schools via our BookMates Interfaith reading literacy program;
- partnering and collaborating with numerous organizations on programs specifically focused on educating teenagers to be effective advocates for Israel;
- fielding hundreds of telephone calls seeking assistance on a wide-range of community relations issues.

For 70+ years, our Jewish Community Relations Council has been a trusted and responsive resource to parents, teachers, clergy and elected officials in our community. Specifically as it relates to our Goodwin Holocaust Museum & Education programs and services, without the resources to sustain us into the future, we as a community would fail in our people's refrain of Never Forget and to Always Remember. A community cannot afford to only combat anti-Semitism, anti-Zionism and all forms of bigotry and racism on an ad-hoc basis or simply when an incident or need arises. Our JCRC must continually be serving on the front lines in defending and protecting our Jewish community's concerns and interests within the larger secular community.

Our Legacy donors are individuals who want to insure we continue to foster constructive relationships within the Jewish community and between the Jewish and non-Jewish communities regarding Jewish- and Israel-oriented issues for many years to come. By joining our Legacy society these individuals will help ensure a strong and vibrant South Jersey Jewish community for generations to come.