



LIFE & LEGACY Case Statement

Jewish Family Service of Rochester

Strengthening Individuals, Strengthening Families, Strengthening Our Community

Because of Jewish Family Service (JFS), you are never alone. Caring and compassion are the bedrock of a strong community, there can be no sense of community without them. For Jewish Rochester, JFS is that bedrock. The JFS mission of repairing the world challenges us to make the world as it ought to be. JFS does exactly that, helping those struggling with hunger, poverty, relationships, isolation, caregiving, parenting, depression, and essential needs to get their lives back on track. We change lives every day, by making families whole, restoring dignity to the elderly and empowering vulnerable children.

Our community has counted on JFS to respond to its changing and evolving human service needs for close to 100 years. Since our earliest days, assisting Jewish refugees building new lives in Rochester, to our current work which includes feeding the hungry. When families and individuals are in need, JFS is here, guiding them from crisis to calm, from anguish to awareness, and from isolation to connection.

JFS understands the experience of those who have been marginalized and persecuted. Because we help everyone in need, JFS is an emissary of Jewish values to the larger community. We honor the Jewish imperative to be a "light to the nations" fulfilling the mitzvah of both loving your neighbor and loving the stranger. It is through JFS that our community draws on its best traditions and cares for each other in times of need.

Legacy Donors like you are people who want to ensure a strong and robust community by seeing to the well-being of the vulnerable and needy among us. Please join us in building a resilient and robust Jewish Family Service that lasts from one generation to the next by leaving a legacy gift.