Welcome to **Jewish Family** and Child Service

A multi-service agency that strengthens and supports individuals, children, families and communities by increasing safety and security, improving mental health and wellness and reducing the effects of poverty, within the context of Jewish values.

Since 1868, Jewish Family and Child Service has served the emotional, social and physical needs of those who need us most. We respond and reach out to our growing and diverse community with integrated programs and services for children, adults and families. For help in addressing life's challenges, look to JF&CS, every step of the way.

JF&CS welcomes people of all cultural, religious and/or racial backgrounds. While we remain firmly rooted in the traditions and experiences of the Jewish people, many of our services are open to the general community.

Inquiries and counselling are held in confidence.



Jewish Family and Child Service

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JF&CS strives for inclusivity in all its programs, serving community members of any income, family structure, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, level of observance, race, ethnicity, cultural identity and place of origin.











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Kol Yisrael arevin zeh b'zeh

Our tradition teaches that all Jews are responsible for one another. Chaplaincy Services is our community's response to the needs of our most vulnerable members – those who are sick and those who are isolated. Chaplaincy Services of Jewish Family and Child Service strives to meet the needs of Jews in Ontario health care facilities and correctional institutions. We serve to remind all Jews that they are not alone – that we are with them every step of the way.

Endorsed by UJA Federation of Greater Toronto, as well as Toronto's Rabbinic organizations and recognized by the Federal and Provincial Governments, our mandate affirms the importance of Jewish spiritual and religious care and emphasizes the belief that all Jews are important members of the community.

JF&CS is a Health Information Custodian (HIC) under the Personal Health Information Protection Act, 2004 (PHIPA) for many of its programs. JF&CS is committed to protecting individual privacy, and to maintaining the confidentiality of all personal health information (PHI).

WE SERVE

- Jewish patients in Psychiatric and General Hospitals
- Jewish residents in Long Term Care facilities, including rehabilitation centres and residential homes
- Jews detained in the Correctional system

OUR SERVICES

- Rabbinic Consultation and Counselling
- Spiritual Support
- · Jewish Programming
- Holiday Observances
- Educational Presentations
- Religious Services
- Regular Visitation

In order to assist individuals with rehabilitation and facilitate their re-entry into the community, we act as an advocate and liaison to other organizations and resources in the Jewish and general communities, including Municipal Governments in Toronto and York Region; Provincial and Federal governments; Police Services; Fire Departments; and other emergency service providers.

Another important role we provide is to give direction and guidance to Institutional staff to increase their awareness of the unique needs of Jewish patients in hospital, Jewish residents in long term care facilities and Jews currently detained by the correctional system.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are an essential component of Chaplaincy Services. Our trained and valued volunteers provide visitation and special programs that are sensitive to the needs of the recipients and appropriate to all occasions.

JOIN US

The *mitzvah* of *tzedakah* (living righteously) falls under the religious category of *gemilat chesed* (performing acts of loving kindness). Nevertheless, *gemilat chesed* is often seen as a response to an appeal for help.

In reality, gemilat chesed is a response to a perceived need; a response that is extended before the need has even been expressed. Ultimately then, it is not a response at all; it is an anticipation of what another requires. This is Chaplaincy and a fitting description of Spiritual Care. Volunteers are needed to carry on and expand our important activities.

For more information on how you or your organization can help, please contact the Coordinator of Chaplaincy Services at 416-638-7800 x 6287.