

# Why I choose to be a Monthly Mitzvah Maker.

Jewish Family and Child Service's monthly donors, *Monthly Mitzvah Makers*, provide the agency with a steady and ongoing stream of income to maintain its current programs and services, while responding to the ever-changing needs of our community. The Monthly Mitzvah Maker program provides donors with an alternative way to make an impactful gift.

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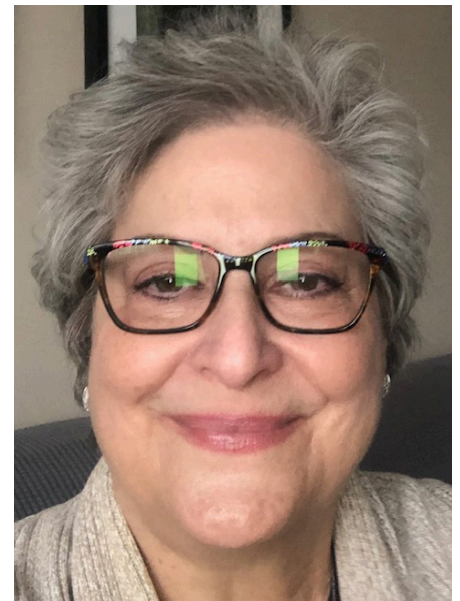
Eileen had always known about JF&CS, but it was when she began working for UJA Federation of Greater Toronto in 1999 that she truly understood the agency's impact on the community. This inspired her to apply for a role assisting Gordon Wolfe, who was the Executive Director of JF&CS at the time. "He was a great teacher," shares Eileen, "he taught me a lot about the ins and outs of the work we did and how we help families, children, and seniors. There was a lot I wasn't aware of like financial assistance, housing, and support groups."

Over the years, she became more involved. "I fell in love with the place. It was one of the best experiences of my life," Eileen explains about her 18-year career at JF&CS. "It was the longest I've worked anywhere, and I'm still friends with some of the staff from there. I felt a sense of family and people supporting one another; it is not an easy job, especially for the social workers. They extend their support to the far reaches of the Jewish community."

Eileen saw firsthand how JF&CS supports those in need. "I believe that the agency is very important to the community. As a child of Survivors, I was really touched by programs like Café Europa. These programs are very special. Sometimes

people are just going through challenges alone, but then people with expertise make them feel like what they are going through is normal."

She became a Monthly Mitzvah Maker and hopes to continue giving for years to come. "Once a year is not enough for me. I contribute what I can. I've seen how it has helped a lot of people over the years. It needs to continue, and the agency needs the community's support. It is important to get the word out, 'You'd be surprised about what's going on there.' It will always be in my heart, and sharing helps the community see what is going on."



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