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SPRING AND SUMMER AT JF&CS



As the weather slowly begins to warm, we at JF&CS are gearing up for exciting spring and summer events. We'd like you to join us at one, some, or all of these amazing experiences, even if you haven't before.

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SUNDAY MAY 29 • UJA WALK WITH ISRAEL

Here are the three ways you can participate and help JF&CS demonstrate how important UJA is to the work we do:

1. [Walk](#) with Team JF&CS and our captain, Gilian Horenfeldt.
2. [Volunteer](#) with us at the Social Services Rest Stop (first selection in the dropdown list)
3. Can't come that day? That's okay, you can [sponsor the JF&CS team!](#)

TUESDAY MAY 31 • JEWISH FOLKS TELLING JOKES

Tickets are selling quickly and we expect the show to be filled to capacity as in 2012 and 2014. It's not too late to get great tickets, though. [Click here](#) to sponsor or to purchase general or VIP tickets to the event here.

SUNDAY JULY 3 • TORONTO PRIDE PARADE

Join JF&CS (and Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau) as we march the parade route at this annual celebration of equality, diversity and of course, pride. [Click here](#) to let us know you would like to walk with us.

LET'S GET REAL.

Reality - More than 400 women struggling with domestic violence reached out to JF&CS for help last year. Thanks to our donors,

Join the Monthly Mitzvah Makers!

[Click here](#) for more information on JF&CS' monthly giving program.

We Can Help You

[Learn](#) about our programs and services.



JF&CS provides safety planning, counselling and emergency financial assistance to women and children affected by domestic violence.

This is just one of the 'realities' mentioned in our 2016 annual campaign, and the others are just

as shocking. On May 31st, you'll see a powerful message appear on the southwest corner of Bathurst and Lawrence. To learn more about these myths and realities, [please click here](#).

OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND!



Often there are clients at JF&CS that need more than basic assistance, like new eyeglasses, a laptop, tuition assistance, extra-curricular activities for their kids, and dozens of other examples like these. This is where JF&CS Opportunity Funds come in. They 100% donor-funded and dedicated

to serving our clients above and beyond their basic needs. The BrightEnd Spirits Fund is one such example. In 2010, a community member named Lorne Vineberg asked us to use his donation to establish a fund that would provide assistance to Jewish seniors lacking money for urgent necessities like medical costs, dentures, transit assistance, over-the-counter medications, and any other expense that would provide them with relief and peace of mind.

Several Opportunity Funds exist at JF&CS and have truly changed lives. To learn more about some of our most accessed funds and how you can contribute to them, [please click here](#).

IN HER OWN WORDS...

"JF&CS allowed me to continue to foster a strong sense of Jewish identity in my children. They talked to my synagogue and helped me arrange subsidies for not only my shul membership but also the kids' Jewish schooling, and even my oldest child's Bar Mitzvah. I was given generous subsidies so that I could afford to send my children first to a Jewish day camp and ultimately to a Jewish overnight camp. Every Pesach for years JF&CS provided me with not only a financial supplement to cover the cost of pesadik food but also a box of food including a kosher chicken. Every year JF&CS invited us to their Hannukah party where my kids could light hannukiot and eat latkes with other Jewish kids and there was a stash of toys upstairs from the Drive for Dreidels so my kids never went without a Hannukah present either.

JF&CS allowed me to shelter my children from the worst of being poor, and helped to give them a relatively normal life with many of the things

that their peers have ... and it stopped them from hating me because we are poor."

---Former JF&CS client.

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