

[Get Involved](#)

[Visit Our Website](#)

[Donate](#)

THE DRIVE FOR DREIDELS BEGINS SOON!

Connect



**Get
Involved**

[Events](#)
[Volunteer](#)
[Emerging](#)
[Leaders](#)

**Join the
Monthly
Mitzvah
Makers!**
[Click here](#)
**for more
information
on JF&CS'
monthly
giving
program.**

**We Can
Help You**

[Learn](#)
**about our
programs**

Drive for Dreidels

COMMUNITY CHANUKAH GIFT DRIVE

There are thousands of Jewish children in the GTA whose parents cannot afford to buy Chanukah gifts without your help. Please share some holiday happiness by dropping off new, unwrapped toys or urgently needed gift cards/monetary donations.

DECEMBER 1 until DECEMBER 13 DROP OFF LOCATIONS AND TIMES

National Council of Jewish Women of Canada—Toronto Section
4700 Bathurst St | 416.633.5100
Mondays - Thursdays 8:30am - 4pm
and Sunday, December 11 from 10am - 3pm

Miles Nadal JCC
750 Spadina Ave (at Bloor) | 416.924.6211
In the lobby & outside the Fitness Centre during MNJCC hours

Joseph & Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus
9600 Bathurst St | 905.303.2353
At the Serruya Family Welcome Centre during campus hours

Every year, around this time, people begin to ask us about our Drive for Dreidels. We love how proactive and generous our community is around Chanukah, and how much you want to help Jewish children whose parents simply cannot afford to purchase gifts at this time of year.

We know that Chanukah begins quite late this year (December 24th) but we hope you'll shop early and pick up an extra toy or gift card for the Drive.

All of the info you'll need is in the flyer (left), but if you have any specific questions, please don't hesitate to contact us 416.638.7800 x 6999
www.jfandcs.com/d4d

If you would prefer, here is a link to make a monetary donation to the Drive:



EVERY STEP OF THE WAY.

For more information visit
www.jfandcs.com/d4d or call 416.638.7800 x 6999
2016 DRIVE FOR DREIDELS IS A PARTNERSHIP WITH: JEWISH FAMILY & CHILD, NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN OF CANADA - TORONTO SECTION, THE COOPER/SHEAR FAMILY, MILES NADAL JCC, JOSEPH & WOLF LEBOVIC JEWISH COMMUNITY CAMPUS AND UJA FEDERATION

Thank you in advance on behalf of the thousands of children and youth who will benefit from your generosity this year!

**and
services.**



WE STOOD UP FOR KIDS!

October was Child Abuse Prevention Month across Ontario and many events occurred province wide to mark this important advocacy month. On October 27th, JF&CS Executive Director, Brian Prousky joined Toronto's three other children's aid societies for the Stand Up For Kids Awards at Queen's Park. This year's winners included Lynn Factor (pictured on Brian's left), a generous benefactor and tireless advocate for children and youth in care. Brian also had the opportunity to spend time with the new Minister of Children and Youth Services and Anti-Racism, Liberal MPP Michael Coteau (pictured on Brian's right).

Thank you to all who attended events, shared social media posts and took an active interest in Child Abuse Prevention Month.

UNITED WAY EMPLOYEE CAMPAIGN



United Way
Toronto & York Region

JF&CS has been uniquely positioned as the third largest recipient of United Way funding for many, many years. In fact, they have supported us since before they were even called the United Way! We are proud of this longtime partnership, and to demonstrate that pride, we hold an annual two-week employee campaign to raise funds for them. Typically we have more than 95% staff participation and raise around \$20,000. We do this through pledges, raffles, social events and even candy grams! We look forward to sharing our campaign stats and successes with you in our December issue of Family Matters.

IN HER OWN WORDS...

"For about 5 years now, I have been part of a women's program at JF&CS called 'Brunch at the Branch'. At first I was quite shy. I was cautious about exposing too much of myself and my problems to others, and I was afraid of negative feedback. But listening and being included in the initial meetings slowly gave me back my confidence and drive. I became more aware of my appearance and started to improve myself... make up, hair, clothes, etc., I started taking pride in the way I looked and learned that you can look and feel great without it costing a fortune.

The ladies ... myself included... are so appreciative to all the compassionate donors whose generous contributions have added so much enjoyment to our lives, making it possible for us to experience so many exciting and educational opportunities. From seeing plays to visiting the aquarium, the ROM, the AGO, just to name a few. We are all financially limited, but that doesn't mean we shouldn't be allowed to feel special.

I have also been privileged to be part of Maxie's Garden in Kensington market. This is a program partnership with JF&CS and Shores. We worked together to plant a vegetable garden, tend our crops and reap our harvest for our own enjoyment. It's been several summers now and this participation has helped me thrive in many ways.

Again, I can't stress how much JF&CS has helped me. From financial assistance and counselling to experiencing many amazing events, I've really become who I knew I could be.

Be confident that the donations that you make to JF&CS are very well spent. You change lives through the amazing services provided by Jewish Family & Child. They certainly changed mine."

Jewish Family & Child | 4600 Bathurst St, 1st Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M2R 3V3

416-638-7800 | emails@jfandcs.com

[Privacy Policy](#) | [Visit Our Website](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)