



*A collection of
legacy stories*

featuring Aaron and Toby Brotman

A Message from Richard L. Cummings



Dear friends,

I am honoured to share my passion for the essential work of JF&CS. The agency's impact is so very significant that it is felt by those who receive service and those who deliver service. Our donors who freely give their time and generous financial support ensure that the excellence and sustainability of Jewish Family and Child Service is available to all in need of its service and compassion.

The legacies shared in the Gordon S. Wolfe Legacy Society newsletters are for all generations. I, myself, will honour the legacy through a planned gift. It is a privilege and a responsibility that I am pleased to embrace.

Please take a moment to read the inspiring story below about one of our generous donors, and consider joining me in establishing an endowment and/or leaving a gift to JF&CS.

Best wishes,

Richard L. Cummings

Past President (1997 – 1999) and former Executive Director of JF&CS (2006 – 2015)

Aaron and Toby Brotman

Aaron and Toby Brotman were active members of their community. Together, they raised their family in a home where Jewish values and traditions were honoured.

Aaron passed away in 2017 after fighting a battle with cancer. Before he passed, he asked that donations made in his memory be gifted to JF&CS. It was no surprise to his family that he chose a Jewish organization for these donations as Aaron had dedicated many years volunteering in the Toronto Jewish Community,



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Aaron and Toby Brotman

and Judaism was an integral part of his life and identity. On his passing, his family established the Aaron Brotman Memorial Fund.

Toby continued to support JF&CS and the Aaron Brotman Memorial Fund by making regular, ongoing donations. Toby gave for a variety of reasons, such as honouring the achievements of friends and family, celebrating life cycle moments, and marking Jewish holidays.

Toby recognized Judaism as a core aspect of her identity. It was clear to her, when she was facing her own battle with cancer that she shared Aaron's vision

about contributing to the agency.

As a result, she, too, instructed her daughters to direct donations made in her memory to JF&CS. Aaron and Toby's commitment to JF&CS reflected their priorities in life.

Aaron and Toby cared about people facing difficult times and were supported by JF&CS themselves when they experienced challenges in their own lives. Aaron and Toby's youngest daughter started her career as a JF&CS employee, and they were very proud of her affiliation with the agency. All three of their children chose to work in social service professions.

Aaron and Toby were dedicated to the vision of JF&CS. The Aaron and Toby Brotman Memorial Endowment Fund has been established to continue supporting JF&CS clients' greatest needs in perpetuity.

Gordon S. Wolfe

Gordy was a visionary and brought to the agency new and controversial programs that targeted some of the most vulnerable members of the community. Establishing the Gordon S. Wolfe Legacy Society honours his memory and provides an opportunity for everyone to be a champion of JF&CS' mission.



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