



Where can you create a lasting

Jewish legacy and secure the knowledge, guidance and support to turn your philanthropic desires into permanent charitable deeds?

The Foundation of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation is the place where donors plan their philanthropy and invest their assets to sustain a strong and vibrant Jewish future.

For more than four decades, hundreds of individuals and families have entrusted The Foundation with the job of building the necessary communal resources to advance our Jewish community in Miami and to strengthen the vital programs and services we value for the people of Israel and Jews worldwide.





Your legacy gift can feed those who are hungry, care for vulnerable elderly Jews, educate children or fulfill the vision you have for a better tomorrow for our people.

Legacy gifts remain for all time, ensuring that your hopes and dreams for the Jewish people endure for generations to come.

Whether you want to create inspiring programs to strengthen Jewish identity, safeguard our people or encourage the next generation to embrace their rich Jewish heritage in new and innovative ways, you can count on The Foundation to be your conduit to make it all possible.

Your Jewish legacy really can make a lasting difference.



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About The Foundation of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation

The Foundation of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation promotes lasting and creative philanthropy by developing meaningful partnerships with individuals and families to achieve enduring charitable goals for Miami's Jewish community. We support the Federation's mission of caring for those in need, strengthening Jewish life and advancing the unity, values and shared purpose of the Jewish people. Through the acquisition, professional management and distribution of capital resources, The Foundation ensures that the programs, services and institutions that serve our people in Miami, in Israel and abroad will be enhanced and sustained for the ages.

The Foundation's team of philanthropic advisors will work with you and your family to help create a plan that reflects your Jewish values. We can match your philanthropic objectives with the ongoing work of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation, the needs of the community today and the anticipated needs of tomorrow. The community's vision and understanding of the big Jewish picture, combined with your personal philanthropic desires, can create an extraordinary synergy that will make a real and lasting impact on people's lives.





Achieving Personal Financial Goals While Giving Vital Support to a Cause You Believe In

What is planned giving?

Planned giving is a means of providing vital support to a philanthropic cause while structuring your charitable donations to maximize tax benefits and achieve personal financial goals.

What is an endowment?

An endowment is a fund established to provide an ongoing source of financial support, which can be designated for a specific purpose by you, or determined by the Federation.

How can I create an endowment fund?

You can create an endowment fund independently or with your spouse or other family members, at once or over a period of time, during your lifetime or by bequest.

What are the tax benefits?

Planned gifts allow you to maximize the benefit of your charitable giving, while also minimizing your income, estate, capital gains or gift-tax liabilities. You can create an endowment using cash or almost any appreciated asset.

How is an endowment fund managed?

The Foundation of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation serves as steward of endowment and financial planning. Working with financial professionals, The Foundation invests these assets and makes distributions as designated by the donor.

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Through The Foundation, you can create a lasting Jewish legacy in a wise and enduring way. The Foundation offers many options for giving during your lifetime or by bequest – an ideal way to touch our Jewish community. These options provide significant tax benefits, as well.

What are my options?

Philanthropic Funds

Think of a Foundation Philanthropic (donor-advised) Fund as a kind of “charitable bank account” that you can establish with as little as \$5,000. Such a fund allows you to make charitable contributions and realize significant tax advantages when the time is right for you. Once this is established, you, your family or anyone you designate may recommend distributions from the fund be made to the Federation and almost any other qualified charitable recipient, Jewish or non-Jewish, local or otherwise, at any time.

Endowment Funds

You may permanently designate the charitable purpose or beneficiary of your gift at the time it is made. Choose one or more specific programs, charities or fields of interest in any combination.

Charitable Trusts

Two categories of charitable trusts are available. Charitable Remainder Trusts pay you or your designee(s) an income for life or a period of years. An endowment is established in your name at the end of the trust term. Charitable Lead Trusts contribute to endowments within The Foundation during your lifetime or for a period of years. The corpus is returned at the end of the trust term. In either case, you realize significant tax benefits.



Charitable Gift Annuities

Charitable Gift Annuities are contractual agreements between you and the Greater Miami Jewish Federation. You make an irrevocable gift of cash or marketable securities to the Federation. In return, you receive a guaranteed fixed income for life. The amount of the annuity payment is based on the age(s) of any one or two annuitants at the date of the gift, among other factors. After paying the established income for life, the remaining principal of the annuity becomes a permanent legacy in your name.

Life Insurance

Gifts of new life insurance policies can enable you to build substantial future endowment gifts through reasonable, tax-deductible premium payments. A donation of an existing policy may also offer tax benefits.

Bequests/Memorials/Honorials

These gifts allow you to honor parents, grandparents, family members or loved ones, or to establish a legacy in your own name. Dedications are available in nearly every financial range.

Jewish Community Trust Fund and Campaign Endowment Fund

These two funds perpetuate your giving by allocating only a portion of the investment yield from the funds each year. The Jewish Community Trust Fund, the Miami Jewish community's unrestricted endowment, allows the Federation to respond to unforeseen needs and opportunities in the future. The Campaign Endowment Fund helps to strengthen the Annual Federation/UJA Campaign, which is essential to our Jewish community.

Letters of Intent

This personal commitment establishes your promise to make a gift, either during your lifetime or through a bequest.

How do I begin to work with The Foundation?

Contact one of our philanthropic advisors at 305.576.4000 or e-mail us at foundation@gmjf.org for a confidential, no-obligation consultation.

Start thinking today about the true and lasting impact your philanthropic vision can have on the future of the Jewish people. Let us show you how.

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