

JEWISH COMMUNITY GRANT/ ALLOCATION REQUEST FORM



Jewish
Federation



This program funding request is submitted for consideration by: *(check one)*

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This program funding request ALSO is (or WILL BE) submitted for consideration by: *(check all that apply)*

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AGENCY INFORMATION

AGENCY NAME				AGENCY WEBSITE			
Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City				www.jfskc.org			
APPLICATION CONTACT		EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR		PRESIDENT			
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YEAR FOUNDED		AGENCY FISCAL YEAR		TOTAL AGENCY BUDGET <i>(complete budget form and attach)</i>			
1901		January-December		\$2,185,571			

PROGRAM INFORMATION

PROGRAM NAME		DATE PROGRAM INITIATED		PROGRAM TIME PERIOD					
Jewish Senior Network		2001		Ongoing					
AMOUNT REQUESTED		PROPOSED PROGRAM BUDGET		PREVIOUS YEAR FUNDING					
\$5,000		\$386,634		\$14,990					
DOES AGENCY HAVE AN ENDOWMENT (RESTRICTED/UNRESTRICTED) FOR THIS PROGRAM? <i>(If answered Yes, list amount(s) available for use in the program period.)</i>						YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PROGRAM NEED ADDRESSED <i>(PROVIDE BRIEF DESCRIPTION)</i>									
Jewish Senior Network (JSN) serves Jewish seniors age 65 and above, and Jewish adults age 25 and above with disabilities. JSN provides four distinct services: 1) Information and referral, 2) No-cost needs assessments, 3) No-cost case management services, and 4) Financial subsidy to those who qualify financially. Needs assessments provided by JSN enable individuals to meet with a case manager to identify their needs and develop a plan for meeting them. Case management services provide important linkages to resources and supports. Financial subsidies provided by JSN benefit clients on limited or fixed incomes by enabling them to purchase necessary goods and services, allowing their budgets to stretch further, and reducing their anxiety level.									
HOW WILL THE JEWISH COMMUNITY BENEFIT FROM THIS PROGRAM?									
JSN is a significant support and resource to Jewish seniors, adults with disabilities, and their families. JSN has provided vital service and support to more than 250 Jewish individuals and households this year and the need is rapidly growing. JSN helps Jewish older adults and those with disabilities experience a better quality of life and an enhanced ability to maintain independence while living in their own homes. Seniors are a national priority as defined by the United Jewish Communities, as well as a local priority as determined by the Kansas City Jewish Funders Council comprised of the Jewish Federation, Jewish Community Foundation, Jewish Heritage Foundation and Menorah Legacy Foundation.									

PROGRAM DESIGN

TARGET POPULATION TO BE SERVED		PROJECTED NUMBER TO BE SERVED		NUMBER SERVED PRIOR YEAR	
Type of client (Senior, Youth, etc.)	Seniors (age 65+), and Adults 25+ with disabilities.	# Jewish Served	300+	# Jewish Served	250+
		# General Community Served	0	# General Community Served	0
ESSENTIAL PROGRAM SERVICES/ACTIVITIES (<i>list up to 5</i>)		STAFF RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTSION (<i>name/title</i>)			
Needs Assessment Interview		Laura Breitberg, LCSW, LCSW Amy Breashears, LMSW		Older Adult Case Manager / Therapist Older Adult Case Manager	
Case Management		Laura Breitberg, LCSW, LCSW Amy Breashears, LMSW		Older Adult Case Manager / Therapist Older Adult Case Manager	
Subsidy Reimbursement		Christine Jamerson		JSN Coordinator	
Information & Referral		Laura Breitberg, LCSW, LCSW Amy Breashears, LMSW Christine Jamerson		Older Adult Case Manager / Therapist Older Adult Case Manager JSN Coordinator	
Improve Program		Laura Breitberg, LCSW, LCSW Amy Breashears, LMSW Christine Jamerson		Older Adult Case Manager / Therapist Older Adult Case Manager JSN Coordinator	

PROGRAM GOALS/MEASURES OF SUCCESS (*LIMIT RESPONSES TO TWO PAGES MAXIMUM*)

SPECIFIC PROGRAM GOALS (<i>list 5</i>)	EXPLAIN HOW YOU DEFINE SUCCESS RELATIVE TO GOAL	MEASUREMENT TOOLS TO CALCULATE SUCCESS
Provide appropriate information and referrals to individuals upon request.	100% of callers receive accurate information/referrals.	A database record is created for everyone who calls JSN requesting information or referrals.
Improve the quality of life for Jewish seniors and adults with disabilities by providing case management services.	100% of Jewish seniors age 65 and above and Jewish adults age 25 and above with disabilities seeking case management services complete a needs assessment evaluation, and receive case management services at no cost.	Case managers develop short-term and long-term goals for the client, and track the time spent and the percentage of the goal(s) met for each month. Annual client satisfaction survey is sent to clients to ascertain the impact that case management has had on their lives (i.e., accessing needed goods and services, assistance with applying for State and Federal services, etc.)
Improve the quality of life for Jewish seniors and adults with disabilities who qualify for financial subsidy for approved goods and services.	100% of Jewish seniors age 65 and above, and Jewish adults age 25 and above with disabilities and seeking financial subsidy participate in a needs assessment evaluation and complete a financial assistance application to determine eligibility. 100% of those qualifying for subsidy and who have provided proper documentation will be reimbursed within 2 weeks, according to their approved reimbursement percentage for approved goods and services.	All client receipts are reviewed for eligibility, and all client reimbursements are tracked in a database. Client satisfaction survey is sent to clients annually to ascertain the impact that subsidy reimbursement has had on their lives (i.e., ability to afford prescriptions, obtain dental services, etc.) Completed surveys are tallied. The goal is for 85% of survey respondents to be "Highly Satisfied" or "Satisfied" with JSN services.
Enable client to sustain independent living as long as possible.	Clients will report how they have benefited from case management services, information, referrals, and financial subsidy, enabling them to remain independent, healthier, and happier.	Annual client satisfaction survey.

JEWISH COMMUNITY GRANT/ALLOCATION REQUEST – ONE PAGE SUMMARY

AGENCY NAME		PROGRAM NAME
Jewish Family Services		Jewish Senior Network
AMOUNT REQUESTED	PROPOSED PROGRAM BUDGET	PREVIOUS YEAR PROGRAM FUNDING
\$35,000	\$386,634	\$14,990
PROGRAM NARRATIVE		
<p>Jewish Senior Network (JSN) is a comprehensive service of Jewish Family Services. JSN was created by the Jewish Federation in 2001, and developed as a collaborative effort with key Jewish and greater community providers including JFS, the JCC, Village Shalom and the Rabbinical Association. JSN has played an important role in coordinating this comprehensive network to avoid duplication between Jewish and greater community resources, identifying unmet needs in the Jewish community, and tapping the widest array of resources offered by the entire community. In October 2009, JSN was transferred from the Federation to JFS to improve coordination of services and streamline operations. As part of the move, the administrative support has been reduced by 1 FTE. JSN provides four distinct services to our clients: Information and Referral Services, Needs Assessment, Case Management, and Financial Subsidy.</p> <p>With JSN now a part of JFS, staff continues to respond to the information and referral requests of Jewish seniors, adults with disabilities and their families regarding their needs for information, services, and/or financial assistance to provide a continuum of care. JFS is in the process of implementing a comprehensive database which will track the demand and use of services by all clients served by JFS. Jewish seniors continue to be directed to appropriate area social service agencies that could meet their needs; needs assessments and means tests will be conducted for clients seeking subsidy; case management services and follow up with clients will be provided on a regular basis to ensure they are receiving proper service; subsidies will be provided to eligible clients; and client satisfaction with services provided will be monitored.</p> <p>As the Jewish community ages faster than the rest of the United States, demand is quickly increasing for services – Jewish and otherwise – to supplement traditional nursing homes. The demand calls for a continuum of care for older adults that enhances quality of life and ability to maintain independence while living in the community. A coordinated plan of care is personalized for each person served by JSN, including such things as community-based services and programs, assisted living and skilled nursing care facilities, acute medical and end-of-life care. This individualized plan increases the chance that the client is receiving the balance of services and care they need or want, and decreasing the need for higher levels of care, such as skilled care facilities. JSN hopes to continue its collaborative efforts with Jewish and greater community providers to meet the needs of this growing population and to ensure that clients are able to maintain their dignity, feel they are a part of the community, and that quality care is assured.</p> <p>There has been substantial growing demand for JSN services, stretching both financial and human resources. During recent months the number of individuals completing the needs assessment process has increased from 38 in 2008 to 67 in 2009, a 76% increase. Likewise, subsidies provided to clients for approved goods and services have increased from \$137,293 for 114 households in 2008 to \$176,531 for 137 households in 2009, a 29% increase. New clients are submitting receipts more quickly and for higher expenses than new clients in previous years. The number of case management hours provided increased from 1,431 in 2008 to 1,825 in 2009, a 28% increase. While the number of JSN client households receiving case management services has increased from 104 in 2003 to 156 in 2009, social work staffing has remained flat.</p> <p>The case load has increased sharply and, because most new clients need more intensive case management than existing clients, the time needed per client has also increased. Consequently, the capacity of our existing case management staff to respond adequately and appropriately has been stretched.</p> <p>The increased amount requested in this proposal includes two components: an increase in funding for the subsidy fund and a proposed increase in social work staffing. The huge increases in subsidy requests have depleted the JSN subsidy reserves. Without an increase in funding, JFS will be forced to reduce subsidies or remove categories of eligible expenses.</p> <p>At present, we have 1.1 FTE case managers assigned to JSN: an additional .5 FTE is needed to provide the appropriate level of case management services for our clients and to ensure continued ability to provide an effective and responsive program. If we are not able to fund the additional part-time social worker, the effectiveness of the case management services will be reduced. We believe that the current case load has become excessive.</p> <p>Details about trends for subsidy expenses, case management hours, and possible methods to save subsidy dollars are included in the JSN Grant Appendices, requested by some funders.</p>		