

JFS Life & Legacy Plan

Case Statement

Jewish Family Services (JFS) is proud to be the oldest Jewish social service agency in Richmond and at the forefront of providing critical services to those who need it most. For over 166 years, the Jewish philosophy of *Tikkun Olam*, or “repairing the world”, has guided our efforts, from our earliest days to today as we continue to meet changing needs through compassionate service.

Beyond helping individuals and families overcome challenges, we provide services that address the deeper humanitarian issues our community faces and enact long-term, deep change. Whether finding families for orphans displaced by the Civil War, working with Russian Jewish refugees in the aftermath of World War Two and Operation Exodus, counseling runaway youth and veterans in the 1970’s at the Daily Planet, or helping LGBT families through the adoption process, JFS addresses immediate needs while setting the stage for a brighter future.

JFS is a nationally accredited full service health and human services organization that responds to the most critical needs facing our community. We offer the highest quality services that transform people’s lives, no matter their income level and especially when they have nowhere else to turn to for support. Throughout our history and as we move forward, we have and will continue to tackle “big” issues facing our community, such as our aging population, mental health needs, and access to health services for underserved communities.

By becoming a JFS Legacy Donor, you will ensure that JFS:

- Continues to respond to changing community, social, and economic situations through the lens of Jewish values
- Provides high quality service and compassionate care to all who need it, regardless of ability to pay
- Provides critical social services when unforeseen crises occur
- Helps individuals and families overcome life’s challenges

Please JOIN US in securing the future for generations to come by making a legacy gift to JFS.