

# Who We Are

Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles (JFS) has fed families, provided LA's aging population with life-changing care, empowered and sheltered survivors of domestic violence and their children, treated mental illness, and offered counseling to at-risk children and their families for over 160 years. Our services support tens of thousands of people in our community, regardless of age, race religion, economic status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

# JFS Needs Your Help

Our achievements and goals are guided by our values. Through JFS, you can turn your values into meaningful action.

Maintaining the comprehensive family of services we provide to the people of Los Angeles requires the continued generosity and dedication of valued partners like you.

With a gift in your will or trust, or by beneficiary designation, you can help JFS sustain our vital services for generations to come.

## We're Here to Help

We can provide guidance on many different types of gifts and help you find one that best matches your needs and philanthropic goals. Your gift will make a tangible difference for those in need for generations to come.

Visit our website at [jfsla.org](http://jfsla.org) or contact us at [Development@jfsla.org](mailto:Development@jfsla.org)

### Mailing address:

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Los Angeles, CA 90010



**It's important for us to show that the Jewish community is here for the greater Los Angeles community. We plan for the future, and a future beyond us. We have put JFS in our will because we want JFS to be here for the next generation when we're gone.**

— Marcia and Richard Volpert



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# Support the Future of Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles



A family of services.  
A family that serves.



**I was raised with the idea that we owe service to our community, because there are always those that are in need. My parents showed this to me at an early age, and it's my pleasure to carry on their legacy.**

— Shana and Don Passman

## Benefits to You

- Naming Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles through a bequest in your will or trust will not cost you anything now.
- With most gifts, you can change your mind at any time. You are not locked into a decision you make today.
- There is no minimum gift required. Every gift makes a difference.
- Your gift ensures your lasting legacy of compassion for generations to come.



**Doing something to help the agency continue to grow and prosper, to continue helping so many, makes us happy. Even if we are no longer present to help, we can help ensure that others will be able to continue the work—the so-important, so-needed work.**

— Ann and Philip Colburn

## Ways to Make a Lasting Impact

**There are many ways to create a legacy that offers you flexibility and benefits today.**

- Name Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles as a beneficiary of your will or trust, designating the gift of your choice (i.e., cash, real estate, personal properties, or securities).
- Provide income to yourself or a loved one through a charitable gift annuity while helping members of the community secure their basic needs and find a pathway to hope and change.
- You can leave all or part of your retirement accounts, commercial annuities, life insurance policies, or other appreciated assets to JFS. With this option, you create your lasting legacy of compassion for the most vulnerable in our community while reducing your income taxes and possibly easing burdensome estate taxes for your loved ones in the future.
- You can make an irrevocable gift to a charitable remainder trust (a “CRT”), which will make distributions to you or other family members of a specified amount, at least annually. When the term of the CRT expires, the remaining balance of the trust is distributed to one or more charities. A CRT can provide you with income tax benefits during your lifetime.
- You can make an irrevocable gift to a charitable lead trust (a “CLT”), which will make distributions to one or more charitable beneficiaries of a specified amount, at least annually, for a term specified in the CLT. When the term of the CLT expires, the remaining balance of the trust is distributed to or held in trust for the benefit of one or more family members designated in the trust. A CLT can provide you with estate or gift tax benefits.

If you are interested in any of these options, please contact an attorney.

**We hope you will let us know about your gift so we can thank you for your generosity.**

## Our Promises to You:

- We will respect your privacy and keep your gift anonymous unless you tell us otherwise.
- We will use your gift in the way you intended.
- You can change your plans and/or beneficiaries at any time. You are not bound by a decision you make today.
- We will continue to meet the highest levels of financial transparency in order to remain worthy of your legacy gift.

## Suggested Bequest Language

To leave your legacy gift to Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles, please use the following language:

*“After taking care of all expenses, debts, and other specific provisions, I give, devise, and bequeath \_\_\_\_% of the rest and residue [or \$\_\_\_\_ if a specific amount] to Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles, a Los Angeles, CA, charity [Tax ID# 95-1691013] currently having offices at 3580 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA, 90010.”*