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**Jewish Community Foundation President and Chief Executive Officer
Marjory Kaplan Receives San Diego Business Journal's
Women Who Mean Business Award**



Jewish Community Foundation of San Diego President and Chief Executive Officer and Miriam and Jerome Katzin Presidential Chair holder Marjory Kaplan is among a group of women recently named a recipient of the San Diego Business Journal's Women Who Mean Business award. These women were recognized for their outstanding contribution to business, the government and the San Diego community. This is the 16th year honoring Women Who Mean Business in San Diego County.

Kaplan was chosen by a group of independent judges from 167 nominees. The winners were announced and recognized on stage at the Journal's recent Women Who Mean Business luncheon.

Kaplan has served as chief professional of the Foundation since 1994. During her tenure, Foundation assets have grown to approximately \$207 million from \$14 million. In fiscal year 2008-09, the Foundation topped the list of the region's foundations in funds granted for the fifth year in a row, awarding and facilitating more than \$62 million in 4,700 grants to 1,000 Jewish and general organizations in San Diego, Israel and around the world.

With Marjory's entrepreneurial oversight, the Foundation has also developed innovative programs, many of which have become national models including the Endowment Leadership Institute (ELI), a unique, high-quality, results-oriented program with the goal of transforming the culture of legacy giving in San Diego, and Youth Philanthropy, a program that encourages young people to become philanthropists by teaching them to give strategically and effectively.

"Under Marjory's strong and creative management, the Foundation has become a philanthropic force for change in San Diego and beyond," noted Murray Galinson, Chairman of the Foundation's Board of Directors. "We are pleased and proud that San Diego Business Journal has recognized her innovative leadership."

About the Jewish Community Foundation of San Diego:

Since 1967, the Jewish Community Foundation has partnered with individuals, families and community organizations to help them achieve their philanthropic goals and to increase current and future support for a vibrant and secure Jewish community in San Diego, Israel and around the world.

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