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GLI Convenes Community Leaders to Strengthen Governance

The Foundation has launched the Governance Leadership Institute (GLI), a two-year collaborative initiative to strengthen governance practices for San Diego's Jewish organizations, schools and synagogues.

Seventy-five community leaders representing 14 organizations from all affiliations and parts of the region attended an inaugural program on May 15 that featured **Dr. Jeffrey R. Solomon**, a recognized expert on board governance, president of the Andrea and Charles Bronfman Philanthropies and board member of the Council on Foundations.



Left to right: Gail Littman, Jane Scher, Jeffrey Solomon and Marjory Kaplan.

Paul Van Dolah, principal of Van Dolah & Associates, who has worked with the Foundation to guide the development of GLI, led the training portion of the kickoff program.

"The participants' energy level, engagement and collaborative spirit were extraordinary," said **Jane Scher**, GLI committee chair. "Together, we can raise the bar so that volunteer leaders feel fully inspired, fulfilled and rewarded by their board service."

The Foundation appreciates the support and involvement of the 60 **Wexner Heritage Program alumni** from San Diego, who have partnered with the Foundation through the conception, design and funding of the

program. The Wexner Heritage Program educates Jewish communal leaders in the history, thought, traditions and contemporary challenges of the Jewish people.

GLI builds on the Foundation's Endowment Leadership Institute (ELI), a four-year-old program that has transformed the culture of giving in San Diego. Through ELI, more than 600 families have promised an estimated \$158 million to ensure the vitality of the future Jewish and general community. Good governance will ensure that these endowments are effectively stewarded.

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Foundation Grants Exceed All Records

The Foundation closed another record-breaking year on June 30, continuing to increase philanthropy in San Diego, Israel and around the world.

The Foundation is the largest grant maker in the region, awarding approximately 5,000 grants totaling more than \$67 million to 1,200 charitable organizations in fiscal year 2007-08, compared with 4,700 grants totaling \$55 million to 1,100 Jewish and general organizations in the year prior. Grants were awarded through donor advised funds, family foundations and restricted funds to programs addressing education, the arts, health and human services and other areas.

"These grants impact the lives of individuals in communities around the world," said Marjory Kaplan, CEO.

Jewish Women's Foundation Achieves Positive Impact Through Grants

The Jewish Women's Foundation (JWF) is a group of more than 75 women who have joined together to improve the lives of Jewish women and girls in San Diego, Israel and around the world. This year, the JWF expanded its grant-making to these three excellent programs:

- **Shalom Baby**, an outreach initiative of the **Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center JACOBS FAMILY CAMPUS** reaches out to Jewish and interfaith families with newborns and young children.



Shalom Baby moms and newborns participate in a playgroup at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center JACOBS FAMILY CAMPUS. Since its inception five years ago, more than 2,000 families have been involved with the Shalom Baby program.

- **Project SARAH**, a program of **Jewish Family Service**, provides counseling, case management and advocacy to individuals and families impacted by domestic violence.
- **JGirls & JMoms**, a new component of the **Agency for Jewish Education's** January 2009 **Limmud Day of Community Learning**, will address mother-daughter relationships within the context of Jewish identity and values and encourage intergenerational conversations.

The JWF also awarded grants to Jewish women who lost homes in the San Diego wildfires and, for the fifth year in a row, to the **Supporting Jewish Single Parents (SJSF)** program of **Jewish Family Service**.

The Deni and Jeff Jacobs Fund Awards Major Grant To Child Development Center



Educational Enrichment Systems (EES) unveiled its newly named **Jeff and Deni Jacobs Child Development Center**

in Linda Vista. Deni Jacobs is an active EES board member and is chair of their Ensuring the Future Campaign, which began with great stride through a grant from the Deni and Jeff Jacobs Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation. The success of the campaign will add more than 100 new preschool spaces in San Diego County, allow EES to recruit and enhance compensation to its professional teachers, fund the construction of an early childhood education campus in Vista and expand services in Linda Vista.

EES is a child development agency serving low-income working families. It operates preschools in Oceanside, Vista, Linda Vista, Poway, Chula Vista and San Marcos.

Chai South Africa Supports Seniors and Disabled

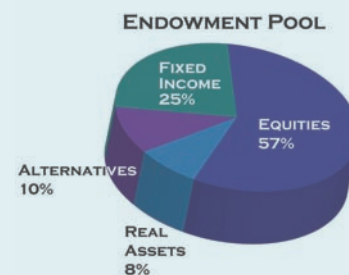
Chai South Africa, a donor advised fund administered by the Foundation, supports the most vulnerable populations in Jewish communities in South Africa and Zimbabwe. Advised by a group of former South Africans living in San Diego, the founders, **Claire Ellman, Charles Jaffe, and David and Felicia Mandelbaum**, are deeply concerned with supporting the aged and developmentally disabled living in Southern Africa.

Since Chai South Africa's inception in 1999, the Foundation has granted more than \$2 million



through the fund, mobilizing thousands of donors from around the world to care for those in need in Southern Africa, where food and water can be in short supply, electricity is erratic, medical needs are increasing, and pensions remain meager.

Investment Pools Introduced



The Foundation's new investment pools became effective July 1 and now include a second vehicle for long-term investment horizons, the Endowment Pool.

For more information about the investment pools, contact Jeremy Pearl, CFO.

Welcome New Funds

Donor Advised Funds

Florence Ackerman Memorial
Meryl and Warren Goldberg
Tiana Pidgeon
Edith Sanderson Memorial
Siegler Family
Lambert/Tuttleman
Stephen and Joy Weiss
Anonymous

Community Funds

Chabad of Downtown San Diego
Math for America San Diego
Tikvot for Rehabilitation
Through Sport

Endowment Fund

Stanley and Dorothy Winter
Jewish Family Service of
San Diego Endowment

Hillel Offers Alternative Spring Break



University of California, San Diego students took a break from their work with the women's cooperative to spend time with local children in El Salvador.

Thanks to a special program of Hillel of San Diego, funded by the **Brodie Price Fund** and the **Chortek Family Foundation**, college students engage in meaningful *tikkun olam* projects around the world during spring break. In four years, more than 100 university students have taken part in alternative breaks to El Salvador, Honduras, Uruguay and Brazil.

"It was an amazing opportunity to see the Foundation's grants at work," said Marissa Garfield, the Foundation's donor services & grants manager, who participated in the El Salvador trip. "As the students examined the tough issues of poverty, *tzedakah* and our obligations as Jews, they learned how their choices can positively affect the lives of others."

Tikkun Olam Camp 2008

August 11-15



Only a few spots still remain in this unique, hands-on program for high school students.

Learn about the community, give away thousands of dollars and earn community service hours.

For more information about Tikkun Olam Camp and to apply, visit www.jcfsandiego.org or e-mail marissa@jcfsandiego.org.

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Murray Galinson Succeeds Sheila Potiker as Foundation Chair

San Diego community leader and philanthropist **Murray Galinson** assumed the chairmanship of the Foundation July 1, succeeding **Sheila Potiker**, who served with distinction for the last two years.

"This nonprofit board is the most active, talented and best organized I have ever worked with, and it attracts the best and brightest in our community," said Potiker. "I know the Foundation will be in excellent hands with Murray as chair."

Galinson served as the president and chief executive officer of San Diego National Bank from 1985 to 1998, and he continues to serve as board chair. Earlier in his career, Galinson was a professor at California Western School of Law and was Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of California and the District of Minnesota.

He was recently elected chair of



Jewish Funders Network and has served on many Jewish and secular philanthropic boards, including California State University, where he is the immediate past

chair; California Western School of Law; the Galinson Family Foundation of the Jewish Community Foundation; Price Family Charities; and the Weingart Foundation.

In addition, **Andrea Oster**, community leader and chair of United Jewish Federation, was appointed to the Foundation board. The Foundation thanks **Kenneth Polin**, **Andrew Ratner** and **Eric Weitzen**, whose board terms have ended, for their invaluable service.

Foundation Sponsors Challenge Grant for Senior Transportation

This fall, local seniors will have a safe, reliable and easy way to get to medical appointments, synagogues, shopping, senior centers, and cultural events.

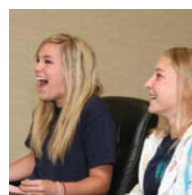
On the Go, a program of **Jewish Family Service** developed by the **Jewish Senior Services Council**, will provide a variety of transportation options.

A challenge grant issued by the Foundation will enable **On the Go** to launch September 1. The Foundation secured a consortium of 13 funders to offer a \$1.25 million dollar-for-dollar matching grant challenge. To date, almost

\$2.1 million has been raised toward a total goal of \$2.5 million. There is still time to participate in the challenge grant opportunity which expires August 31.

Senior transportation was identified as the top priority by the **United Jewish Federation's** Jewish Community Strategic Plan. San Diego's large geographic region and lack of effective public transportation intensifies the need.

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