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-- Strengthening Communities --New Partnership with Jewish Federation of Somerset, Hunterdon & Warren Counties

We are pleased to announce a new partnership between the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Mercer (JCFGM) and our northern neighbor, Jewish Federation of Somerset, Hunterdon & Warren Counties (JFedSHAW). Our Foundation is proud to serve as an advisor on the launch of a new LIFE & LEGACY program, specifically designed to sustain Jewish life in the JFedSHAW region. Additionally, JFedSHAW and other Jewish agencies will be entrusting JCFGM to manage their endowment and other organizational funds. We are honored to team with each institution to safeguard and grow their assets, helping to ensure their future. The Somerset, Hunterdon & Warren Jewish organizations are eager to engage in this new partnership. Ellen Teller, JFedSHAW President, conveyed great enthusiasm. "There is no better time than now and no better reason to work together and strive to provide a strong future for our tri-county Jewish community. We are excited to become part of the LIFE & LEGACY team with the help and resources of Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Mercer."



Above: Ellen Teller, JFedSHAW President



Above: Chip Loeb,



Above: Robin Wishnie, JFedSHAW **Executive Director**

Foundation President Chip Loeb shared his own JCFGM President excitement. "We are delighted to partner with the Somerset, Hunterdon & Warren communities and look forward to many years of working together to further our shared vision." JFedSHAW Executive Director Robin Wishnie also welcomes this new collaboration. "One of the central roles of JFedSHAW is to ensure the well-being and longevity of Jewish communal institutions. The LIFE & LEGACY program is an extremely effective way to do this. We're excited to work with the Greater Mercer Foundation to bring this program to the



Somerset, Hunterdon & Warren Counties Jewish community." A virtual kick-off of the JFedSHAW LIFE & LEGACY program is scheduled for October 29. LIFE & LEGACY was established in 2012 by the Harold Grinspoon Foundation.

Virtual Community Workshop

Letters from the Heart

The Jewish Practice of
Sharing Values from
Generation to Generation

Sunday, November 22 at 7:00 pm

For centuries Jewish families have written letters, often called ethical wills or legacy letters, to articulate and pass on deeply held values and beliefs. Join this virtual community workshop to learn about the historical roots of this practice and how you can create your own today.



Featuring Rabbi Abigail Treu

Interim Rabbi at Congregation Agudas Achim in Columbus, Ohio, and previously at JCC Manhattan

To register, please email rsvp@foundationjewish.org

For more information, contact Amy Zacks at 609-524-4374 or amy@foundationjewish.org

Spotlight on Foundation President Chip Loeb

Chip Loeb recently stepped into the role of President for our Jewish Community Foundation after serving as a Trustee for five years and Treasurer for the past four of those years. Having grown up in a household with parents who were actively involved in both the Jewish and secular communities, Chip was flattered to be asked, and honored to join the board of an organization that fostered philanthropy and legacy giving. His aim is to continue the work of prior leaders, so that when his term ends the Foundation is stronger than when he became president. "I hope to support and further develop our outstanding staff, continue to strengthen operations, and broaden the Foundation's role in philanthropy within the Mercer-Bucks area and beyond." It's all part of a long-range strategy to ensure the Foundation can be sustained and do good for our community for years to come.

As a longtime member of Congregation Beth Chaim and currently serving on the JCC Princeton Mercer Bucks board, Chip is no stranger to Jewish communal life. When connecting with others in the Jewish community, Chip explains that "the Foundation is here to help you build and carry out a plan to achieve your philanthropic goals." The Foundation is also doing great things to build endowments that will help to ensure that we have strong local Jewish organizations for generations to come.

If you have a question or comment for Chip, please feel free to contact him at president@foundationjewish.org.

End of Year Instructions on Transfer of Securities

When transferring securities to your Donor Advised Fund, Endowment Fund or Custodial Fund at the Jewish Community Foundation, please use the following account information:

Broker: Vanguard Broker Services (800-992-8327)

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Account Number: 45433463

Please notify our staff at <u>info@foundationjewish.org</u> or at 609-524-9914 when making a transfer of securities. This way we can identify your transaction and accurately deposit assets into your fund.

Please make your end-of-year transactions by **Tuesday, December 15** to allow time for processing. Thank you!