

Outstanding Jewish Communal Professional Award

Nominations are now being accepted for the **Outstanding Jewish Communal Professional Award**. The purpose of the award is to recognize mid-level career professionals with exceptional promise and to encourage their commitment to a career in Jewish communal service. The recipient, who must be a Jewish communal professional whose organization serves the greater Baltimore community, will be awarded a \$1,500 grant to subsidize his/her participation in a professional development opportunity.

PLEASE SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR NOMINATION BY FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2020.

The following are the eligibility guidelines and responsibilities/expectations of the award winner.

Eligibility:

1. Nominee will embrace the opportunity to develop and grow personally and professionally.
2. Nominee must be professionally employed in the field of Jewish communal service at least 20 hours per week at the time of nomination.
3. Nominee must be professionally employed in the field of Jewish communal service in the greater Baltimore area at the time of nomination.
4. Nominee should be working in the Jewish community for at least five years.

Responsibilities/Expectations of Award Winners:

1. Develop a plan (including estimated costs) within three months of receiving award for utilizing the award and present plan to DFI for approval.
2. Serve on the DFI Recognition Committee for the following two years.
3. Monies awarded must be used within 15 months of the award being presented to recipient.
4. Recipient may be called upon to participate in media coverage related to their receipt of the award (i.e. interview, press release, website).
5. Integrate the information they obtained through the professional enrichment experience into their work as a Jewish communal professional.

Recent recipients were: (for a complete list of recipients go to thedfi.org/fellowshipsandawards)

- 2012** Renée Dain, The Associated: Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore
- 2013** Paul Lurie, Jewish Community Center of Greater Baltimore
- 2014** Gila Haor, SHEMESH
- 2015** Erica Bloom, Jewish Volunteer Connection
- 2016** Chana Siff, The Associated: Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore
- 2017** Meghann Schwartz, Jewish Federation of Howard County
- 2018** Lauren Shaivitz, CHANA
- 2019** Sarah Mersky, Baltimore Jewish Council

This award will be presented at DFI's Celebration of Professional Leadership on Wednesday, May 20, 2020 from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. at the Har Sinai Oheb Shalom Congregation, 7310 Park Heights Avenue.

Please submit applications for nomination to Shirley Hott at shott@thedfi.org by Friday, March 13, 2020.

Outstanding Jewish Communal Professional Award Nomination Form

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1. Name of Nominee _____

2. Number of years professionally employed in the field of Jewish communal service _____

3. Current place of employment _____

Current position/title _____

Address of organization _____

Phone Number _____ E-mail _____

4. Please verify the following eligibility requirements:

Nominee is employed in the field of Jewish communal service at least 20 hours per week yes no

Nominee is employed in the field of Jewish communal service in the greater Baltimore area yes no

Nominee has been working in the field for at least five years yes no

5. Please tell us on the following page, in 750 words or less how the nominee demonstrates the following attributes.

A. Commitment to Jewish communal service

B. Commitment to strengthening and enriching Jewish life and Jewish identity

C. Knowledge of the issues facing the Jewish community

D. Approaches Jewish communal service in a creative and innovative way

E. Ability to work as a team player and work collaboratively in the larger community

F. Demonstrates leadership in the greater Baltimore community

G. Interest in continuing professional development in the field of Jewish communal service

6. Name of person submitting nomination _____

Organization _____ Position _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ E-mail _____

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Please contact Cindy Goldstein, 410-843-7563, for questions and to let her know to expect your nomination.

The Darrell Friedman Institute for Professional Development at the Weinberg Center is a proud member of The Center for Leadership, a new community-wide program of The Associated that engages, develops and inspires leaders. The Center provides opportunities for both lay and professional leaders, empowering them along their leadership journeys as we work together to ensure a vibrant Baltimore Jewish community.

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