



JFCS Jewish Family and Children's
Service of Minnesota

Executive Summary

impact report

Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minnesota provides essential services to people of all ages and backgrounds to sustain healthy relationships, ease suffering and offer support in times of need.

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A COMMUNITY UNDER UNPRECEDENTED PRESSURE

- **Rising Economic & Social Strain:** Low-wage workers face severe inflation, daycare shortages, and a critical lack of affordable housing.
- **Escalating Crises:** The Twin Cities face rising social tensions, a sharp increase in antisemitism, and the lasting mental health and economic impacts of *Operation Metro Surge*.



STRATEGIC EVOLUTION & EXPANDED REACH

- **Historical Merger:** On January 1, 2026, Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis and Jewish Family Service St. Paul merged to form **Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minnesota (JFCS)**, creating a unified statewide footprint.
- **Broad Impact:** JFCS delivered critical programming to **15,555** individuals and families across all backgrounds last year.



FINANCIAL REALITY

- **Burgeoning Infrastructure:** Driven by the merger and rising community demand, the annual operating budget has grown **60%** since 2021—rising from **\$10 million** to over **\$16 million**.
- **Funding Headwinds:** Crucial federal, state, and county funding sources have been reduced or eliminated, creating urgent financial gaps.

KEY PROGRAMMATIC ACHIEVEMENTS



LIFTING CHILDREN & FAMILIES

14,000+
books distributed
to young children
through PJ Library

12,799
home visits
conducted via
ParentChild+



WORKPLACE SUCCESS

1,318
career participants
enrolled

78%
year-over-year
surge of low-
income parents
served through the
Minnesota Family
Investment Program

*Average hourly starting
wage of \$15.13*



SENIOR INDEPENDENCE

483
seniors helped to
live with dignity

10,212
kosher meals
delivered

5,806
rides provided to
older adults and
Holocaust survivors



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

7,718
people connected
(50% increase)

1,110
volunteers engaged
(18% increase)



CLINICAL & MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

3,890
clinical counseling
sessions provided

2,801
helpline calls
answered

Nearly
2X
increase in
emergency food box
distribution



OUR IMPACT



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