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Dear Friends,

The Jewish Federation of Victoria and Vancouver Island needs you to be part of our 2025-2026 United Jewish Appeal fundraising drive.

Who Are We and What Do We Do

Since 1987 we have been an umbrella organization, a unifying force for the Jewish Communities of Victoria, Vancouver Island and Gulf Islands and a member of Jewish Federations of Canada-United Israel Appeal. Our mission is to enhance the quality of Jewish life locally and elsewhere. We raise money through our United Jewish Appeal campaign, distribute it to local organizations and individuals in furtherance of our mandate, organize events, coordinate security, provide antisemitism workshops, advocate for our community, connect members of our community to each other and our community to other Jewish communities in Canada and beyond.

We have one part-time paid employee and most of our services are delivered by our dedicated Board, Committees and individual volunteers.

Through our membership in Jewish Federations of Canada-United Israel Appeal, we contribute our fair share to support projects in Israel, the Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs, The Joint Distribution Committee and The Jewish Agency.

What We Have Done for You Lately

This past year we organized the October 7 Commemoration, Yom Hazikaron, Yom Ha Atzmaut events, rallies supporting Israel, conducted antisemitism training and workshops, provided resources and coordinated security for our institutions and events, provided shabbat meals and allocated funds to organizations and individuals to support Jewish education and culture and those in need.

Help us canvass by emailing executive.director@jewishvictoria.ca.

Enclosed is a brochure that provides information about our campaign and ways to give. We need your help to reach our campaign goal of \$250,000. Together we can do this!

Donate online today at [JFVVI Donations](#).

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