

# Seize the Dream Annual Gala

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Jewish Family Service of Metrowest (JFS) provides vital social, health and community services to alleviate suffering, enhance lives and support people in need.

#### 2020 Seize the Dream Honorees

#### BOB FIELDS AND THE TEAM AT COMMCREATIVE



Entrepreneur. Volunteer. Husband. Father. Musician. Artist. Bob Fields has led a distinguished and colorful life in which he has worn many different hats. After a career in marketing at leading brands like Gillette and Foster Grant, Bob founded CommCreative, which has grown into one of the industry's leading B2B marketing agencies.

Bob has distinguished himself by applying his entrepreneurial spirit-and love of the arts-to community work. He founded the Community Kiln at the Brick Stack Arts Center in Framingham, a studio where everyone is welcome to come together to experience, learn about, and celebrate ceramic arts.

Over the years, Bob has dedicated his time to serving on several boards that reflect his various interests, including the Framingham State University Foundation, The Danforth Museum of Art, WICN Public Radio, and the MetroWest Chamber of Commerce.

JFS however, remains closest to his heart. Bob has been a board member since 2010 and during that time, he has played a significant role in JFS' mission to help strengthen the community through programs that offer support and comfort to seniors, immigrants, low income families and more.

Both as a board member and in harmony with his exceptionally talented and responsive team, Bob has embodied CommCreative's "THINK WITH YOUR HEART" philosophy and fueled impact with strategy and expertise that accelerates JFS' drive to advance social, health and educational equity in our community. Now retired, Bob continues to address community needs wherever he goes. He truly *Thinks* and *Acts* with his big heart every day.

#### MARC JACOBS



Marc Jacobs, MSW, LICSW, has been the Chief Executive Officer of JFS since 1996. His career exemplifies civic engagement, a moral compass unrelenting in addressing social and health inequities and building collaborative partnerships to have collective impact.

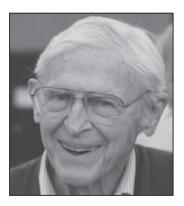
Marc held mid-level and senior staff and management positions in organizations serving youth and families at risk prior to joining JFS. He

has led national training and curriculum projects; and is widely published in the areas of youth development, life skills education with adolescents and foster parent training. He holds Master's Degrees from Boston University School of Social Work and from Clark University.

Marc has received significant leadership awards. In November 2018, he was named Middlesex Savings Bank Foundation's 3rd Annual recipient of the John R. Heerwagen Award for Nonprofit Leadership. The award recognizes a strong, nonprofit leader whose work has significantly benefited the lives and wellbeing of residents within the Foundation's community.

In 2017, William James College awarded Marc its prestigious Mental Health Humanitarian Award for his social justice leadership. Also in 2017, The Joukowsky Family Foundation awarded its Sharp Rescuer Prize to Marc and his team for their tireless work supporting Syrian refugees in a large community wide project.

As Marc's hero and legendary civic leader Hubie Jones recently wrote, "You are truly a long distance runner for social justice".



## THE THIRD JFS MAX MICHELSON HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Max Michelson 1924-2017

Jewish Family Service of Metrowest (JFS) is proud to award the third *Max Michelson Humanitarian Award* to Barbara and Samantha Shapiro – extraordinary individuals who transform kindness into action; leading lives of purpose that break down barriers, inspire change and build community.

Max Michelson was mentor, friend, teacher, guiding light to so many of us.

 ${\sf Max}-{\sf Holocaust}$  survivor, co-founder of JFS, community leader – provided wisdom and hope.

Max inspired each of us to be better, do better, never make excuses, always move forward.

He transformed a story of pain and torment into a commitment to justice, to ending suffering and to defending the powerless.

There is shared passion, decency, commitment to family, to community and authenticity exemplified by Barbara and Samantha in everything they do, and their strong convictions and unwavering humanitarian moral compass personify the ideals and values of Max Michelson

Barbara and Samantha are deeply engaged in JFS's work with refugees and immigrants and as volunteers in the JFS Syrian Humanitarian Project, they tirelessly resettled Syrian refugees from war-torn parts of the world, welcoming them as family and helping them become integral members of the Metrowest community. With love, compassion and joy, Barbara and Samantha are a force for Tikkun Olam, embodying JFS' mission, to **accelerate social, academic and health equity.** 

Today we pay tribute to the lessons taught by Max Michelson, and it is a privilege to honor Barbara and Samantha who, like our beloved Max - **Act. Stand up for those powerless, those without a voice.** 

## 2020 JFS Max Michelson Humanitarian Awardees:

#### BARBARA AND SAMANTHA SHAPIRO



Barbara and Samantha Shapiro are committed to social justice. They both love children and helping others. And they are inspired when working side by side as a mother-daughter team. Their passions aligned in 2016 when they became a part of the JFS Syrian Refugee Humanitarian Project. With their family, they helped set up homes, shopped for baby gear, collected donations of clothes and winter gear and developed relationships with

newcomer Syrian families. Barbara had the privilege to be at the airport to welcome most of the eight Syrian refugee families resettled by the program.

"They embraced the family as an extension of their own. They provided the kids with memories and experiences they will never forget — like going to the beach, seeing the Big Apple Circus, and going trick or treating — and they celebrated every important milestone with the family since they arrived — including Hayat's birth! Rekanz thinks of Barbara as a second mom." —Lucia Panichella, JFS Senior Director, Programs and Partnerships

Barbara serves on the boards of Horizons for Homeless Children, Beaver Country Day School and formerly JFS of Metrowest and The Rashi School. Barbara plays a number of volunteer roles in the community and has been a classroom volunteer at Horizons for Homeless Children for over 11 years. In addition to remaining actively involved with some of the families welcomed by the JFS Syrian Refugee Humanitarian Project, Barbara is a trustee and involved in efforts led by her family's foundation, The Shapiro Foundation, which is focused on global refugee causes and improving the lives of the world's most vulnerable populations. Prior to retiring to become a full-time parent and community volunteer, Barbara had a career in marketing and advertising.

Samantha Shapiro is 18 years old and a senior at Beaver Country Day School. From a young age, Samantha has been exposed to social justice and has sought opportunities to make a difference. She volunteers at Family Table, packing and delivering groceries to those in need. In grade school, she collected school supplies to deliver to Yemin Orde Youth Village in Haifa, Israel. She visited refugee camps with her family in Lesbos, Greece. She is a summer camp counselor and babysits every chance she gets. And she spends as much time as she can visiting Syrian families and their children...and practicing her Arabic (which she takes in school)! Samantha plays hockey goalie and is captain of her tennis team. She is part of the Jewish Actors Workshop (JAWs) at Temple Beth Elohim in Wellesley and recently completed a short documentary about the journey of one Syrian refugee family. She will be attending Bates College in the fall.

Barbara and Samantha reside in Needham with husband/father Ed, and son/brother Joshua (when he's not away at college). They are members of Temple Beth Elohim in Wellesley.



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A message from JFS Board President David Milowe and CEO Lino Covarrubias

**Seize the Dream** celebrates exceptional, committed community members, professionals, and for the second time, an equally outstanding corporation---whose caring and action inspire others and change lives. At this particular time in history, we are honored to celebrate those who help JFS respond to individuals and families in need.

Barbara and Samantha Shapiro, Marc Jacobs, and Bob Fields with the CommCreative team have dramatically changed the lives of children and families locally and globally.

For decades, **Bob Fields and CommCreative**, now under the leadership of President Ashley DePaolo, have focused their efforts locally. They have created and sustained a culture where giving back and making positive impactful change in the community is as important as succeeding as one of the top marketing agencies in New England.

**Marc Jacobs** has been an outstanding leader focused on battling for the most vulnerable children and families. At JFS, he has created a culture of innovation, caring, and an inexhaustible, laser-focused mindset to never settle for mediocrity. He has taught us to always strive to provide the very best service to those in need.

For their leadership in resettling Syrian refugees from war-torn parts of the world, and helping them become integral members of the Metrowest community, **Barbara and Samantha Shapiro** are recipients of the third *Max Michelson Humanitarian Award*. Barbara and Samantha are the most caring and loving volunteers, and they have embraced these families as part of their own. They personify what it means to be engaged in Tikkun Olam, and as Max would always say "Act. Stand up for those powerless, those without a voice. Be embraced by a caring and protective community."

Attacking inequity is at the forefront of all JFS efforts and impacts. With a deeply committed staff, dedicated board of directors, and fabulous volunteers, JFS challenges injustice, protects the most vulnerable, and works collaboratively with our partners to maximize our combined efforts for social good. Sound and effective organizations stand out during the most challenging of times. JFS is certainly standing out by finding creative and impactful ways to meet the continually growing needs in our community.

Stories, some very personal, are being shared tonight. We are proud to highlight the work accomplished on behalf of over 5,000 individuals.

**Outcomes and impacts, with clear measures and strong data**, are at the forefront of all JFS programs.

**JFS** is instrumental in **significantly reducing poverty** in the Jewish community.

**JFS** is instrumental in inventing new and vibrant models for **harnessing the power of volunteers** to transform lives.

**JFS** is instrumental in **enabling elders to remain independent** in the community.

Your involvement and generosity make impacts possible.

Our partnership with Combined Jewish Philanthropies (CJP) is deep and aligned. With CJP, and with partners from our amazing network of Jewish community organizations as well as with academic, healthcare, and other partners, we are leveraging and multiplying resources and results.

JFS continues to be awarded 4 Stars by Charity Navigator, with an unsurpassed score of 100 for the second year in row. JFS must always strive to exceed our own expectations of success and remain focused on helping the most vulnerable in our community. It is our calling and the reason why JFS exists.



Thank you for joining us on this journey.

David Milowe

The

President, Board of Directors

Lino Covarrubias
Chief Executive Officer



Dear Friends.

CJP is proud and honored to be part of Jewish Family Service of Metrowest's Seize the Dream event and to congratulate the Max Michelson Humanitarian Award recipients and all honorees.

While we cannot join together in person, the spirit of our community is as strong as it has ever been. We stand with you, virtually, for this special night.

We value our partnership with JFS to help the most vulnerable in our community. Through JFS' work, families with young children, the elderly, people with special needs, refugees, and others can find the assistance they need to pay bills, purchase food and medicine, and live healthy, fulfilling lives in our community. This work has never been more critical. The needs here – and around the world – can seem overwhelming right now, but together we are making a positive difference for thousands. JFS is bringing hope to people in challenging times.

Max Michelson was a Holocaust survivor. He embodied hope, transforming his pain and his loss into a lifetime committed to social justice and helping people in need by founding JFS.

It is so fitting that Barbara and Samantha Shapiro, two people so deeply committed to social justice, are honored with an award bearing Max Michelson's name. They share his values and his determination to make the world better and to defend the powerless.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Marc Jacobs on his retirement to JFS. You have enriched Jewish life and helped so many in our community and beyond.

Finally, best wishes to Bob Fields and the staff at CommCreative for their outstanding contributions to seniors, immigrants, low-income families and others.

May you go from strength to strength.

Sincerely

Rabbi Marc Baker

Ma G. B.

President and CEO

Cindy Janower

Cindy Gave

Chair, Board of Directors

I am honored to be recognized alongside Ashley DePaolo and the team at CommCreative. I am proud of our long-standing commitment to JFS and that this tradition will continue under Ashley's leadership as JFS is challenged like never before.

Congratulations to Marc Jacobs on a standout career. I have always been impressed by the level of leadership that Marc, Lino Covarrubias and the board have brought to JFS, and the succession of Lino as CEO ensures that the agency will be in good hands, year after year, even during the most difficult of times.

It is also an honor to stand with Barbara and Samantha Shapiro as they receive the Max Michelson Humanitarian Award. Compassion, determination and a commitment to social justice defined Max's life, and Barbara and Samantha - strong and selfless volunteers - inspire us to do what we can to serve this community, in our own way, to the best of our abilities.

And to JFS, we salute all the volunteers, team members and Board of directors for all they do.

The core values of what JFS contributes to the quality of life for those in need in our community cannot be accomplished without YOU!

With gratitude for your time and caring,

**ROBERT FIELDS & LISA MCCARTHY** 

I write this tribute as we are Covid-19 quarantined and JFS is in the middle of supporting, problem-solving, providing comfort and aid to countless members of our community who are in harm's way.

It makes it an even greater privilege being honored by JFS with Bob Fields and the team at CommCreative, and with Barbara and Samantha Shapiro.

Bob, since my beginning days at JFS we have had countless conversations; I have admired your growth as a community leader and as a philanthropist. The bio speaks to what you have done, what I have been inspired by is your deep caring for those who face challenges and inequity. You get things done. Bob, with the entire CommCreative team, are fully engaged in improving lives, doing it without fanfare nor wanting recognition. With Ashley as Bob's successor, CommCreative continues as an important community leader.

**Barbara** and **Samantha**, I admire that you ever so quietly and humbly lead lives of purpose and joy; that you change lives in the most personal ways; and demonstrate that caring relationships and kindness transform lives and inspire others to become involved with you in these journeys. I am so proud to see you receive the *Max Michelson Humanitarian Award*.



From the very first Syrian refugee family arrival in 2016, Barbara and Samantha have been a spectacular Mom-Daughter Duo--- compassionate, caring and productive in supporting these young children and parents; working in tandem and also individually (especially since Samantha got her driver's license!). JFS is fortunate, as are other organizations where Barbara and/or Samantha have been involved.

Samantha (and her brother Josh) will be part of a next generation of community leaders. Our community's future is in good hands.

With great respect and regards,

MARC JACOBS & FAMILY (Joanne, Sara, Alisa and grandson, baby Noah)

Thank you to JFS of Metrowest for the incredible honor of receiving the Max Michelson Humanitarian Award named for an inspirational man with a deep commitment to justice. We are humbled to be recognized for something that has become an integral part of our lives and to have the privilege to work with a remarkable organization that does so much for so many.

JFS provides innovative and impactful programs that support immigrants, families in need and older adults. And they treat people of all ages and backgrounds with dignity and compassion. When our family partnered with JFS to create the Syrian Refugee Humanitarian Project—and in a matter of months welcomed 8 Syrian families to Greater Boston—JFS seamlessly expanded their services and built a team that provided extensive volunteer training, English as a second language, translation services, social/emotional support, vocational assistance and so much more.

More recently, the world has faced an unprecedented health crisis that has had a deep impact on vulnerable communities. And of course JFS has adapted and expanded their programs in response to this desperate need in order to provide critical services to those they serve. We are continuously amazed and inspired by JFS and all that they do, and we are honored to play a role in these efforts.

We are especially proud to share this evening with Marc Jacobs and to celebrate his retirement after 24 years as CEO of JFS. Marc, your commitment to the community and unrelenting compassion and leadership have helped shape JFS into the impressive organization it is today.

Congratulations also to honoree Bob Fields and the team at CommCreative. Bob, your dedication to serving the community with your "think with your heart" philosophy and 10 years on the board of JFS have made an indelible impact.

With deepest gratitude to our family and friends for celebrating with us and for supporting JFS in continuing their mission. And to Ed and Joshua for being the best husband/father and son/brother and for always encouraging us and being by our sides.

#### BARBARA & SAMANTHA SHAPIRO

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Offer Encouragement to New Americans.

**Provide Much Needed Office Support.** 

For more information about our programs and volunteer opportunities at **JFS of Metrowest**, please call 508-875-3100. You can also learn more about us by visiting our website, www.jfsmw.org.



## Special Thanks

On behalf of the Executive Team, thank you for joining us tonight and supporting JFS of Metrowest.

The planning for this year's event brought many new challenges, and we extend a special note of appreciation to the many auction donors who contributed so generously as well as the following individuals and businesses that made SEIZE THE DREAM 2020 possible:

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We also thank the following contributors who had committed to participating in this year's event. The services they provide are key to the success of the annual gala and we are grateful for their continued support.

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1993	JFS, in honor of its Bar Mitzvah
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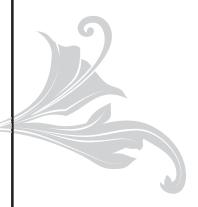
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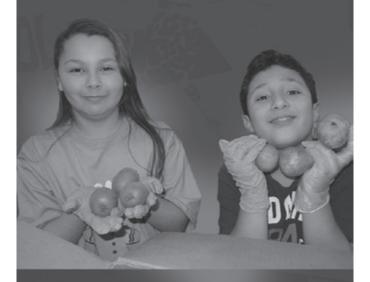
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#### Dear

## Mom & Samantha,

We have seen you adopt a new family over the past three years. You both drop what you're doing, no matter what, and get to Framingham to be with the people you love most in this world (other than us!) and to help however you can.

We are so proud of you and so excited for the recognition of your amazing efforts AND the extraordinary ability we all have to impact others.

Every single day you remind us how to be better people.

We love you,

JOSHUA & ED

We celebrate with you the leadership and legacy of

Marc Jacobs

at Jewish Family Service of Metrowest and congratulate with appreciation

All The Honorees

מזל טוב

Barbara and Ed Scolnick

### In Loving Memory of

## Susan "Sue" Copeland



The board and staff of JFS of Metrowest are saddened by the passing of our dear friend Sue Copeland. Sue's passionate support and generosity for JFS programs supporting vulnerable children and their families will forever remain in our hearts.

זכרונה לברכה

Thank you for your vision, guidance and leadership of our community

BARBARA & JAY GAINSBORO

### Congratulations to the

Seize the Dream Honorees

Bob Fields/CommCreative

and

Marc Jacobs

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Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

We are proud to support JFS of Metrowest.

Thank you to all of the JFS staff and volunteers for Standing Up for Those Left Behind.

MARSHA & HARVEY CHASEN





#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

## Bob Fields and the team at CommCreative, Marc Jacobs and Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

Thank you for your visionary leadership that has inspired the Greater Boston/JFS Community

Barbara, Ellis and Ashley Olivia Morris



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## Heroes Among us

#### Marc -

24 years of dedication, leadership and innovation. You are a visionary who built a team poised to take JFSMW into the future, and you accomplished it all with tremendous heart.

#### Barbara and Samantha -

Your unwavering generosity to make this world a better place is inspiring. We are greatly enriched by our close family friendship.

#### Bob -

Your entrepreneurial spirit, love of the arts and community work has set you apart as a true leader, volunteer and philanthropist, and for this we thank you.

With gratitudeCHESTER & DIANE BLACK

## Bob Fields and the team at CommCreative

Marc Jacobs

and

Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

Congratulations on a well-deserved honor

**BOB & CARI BAND** 

#### Congratulations to

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and

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Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

on well-deserved honor

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to improving the lives of those left behind.

**ALLISON & BRAD KATES** 

We join in celebrating the career of the remarkable

Marc Jacobs

Leadership that is unparalleled, And a heart that is even larger.

Thank you, Marc, for a wonderful journey of joyful caring.

Your legacy will live forever!

**ARON & SUSAN AIN** 

#### Samantha and Barbara

Congratulations on this well-deserved recognition!
Your dedication to reaching out to those most
vulnerable is inspirational. You both demonstrate
compassion in action, and your warmth, kindness
and selflessness is a model for others.

#### Marc

Thank you for your 24 years of incredible leadership in JFS and dedication to the Metro West Community. JFS stands today as a model in addressing social and health inequities due to your vision, passion, and determination.

#### Bob

A leader, volunteer and philanthropist. We thank you for all you do for the community and beyond.

KEN & JODI BRING

Mazel Tov to Seize the Dream honorees

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**LOU & ROSANNE KATES** 

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JESSICA & CHUCK MYERS

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## Marc Jacobs

Thank you for your vision, guidance and leadership of our community.

A heartfelt congratulations to

Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

for receiving
The Max Michelson Humanitarian Award.

**ED & PEGGY BARRY** 

# Congratulations

### Samantha and Barbara

We are inspired by your passion and dedication to supporting those in need. It's been an honor getting to know you.

#### Marc

We are grateful for your long term commitment to JFS and making sure the future is promising and bright. We feel fortunate for all your hard work.

#### Bob

We are thankful for your leadership and creative contributions to the community. It's a pleasure to see the benefits of your engagement.

JOE, DANA, DYLAN & SKYLAR VOLMAN

Thank you for your vision, guidance

and leadership of our community

MICHAEL & KARENTICHNOR

To all the honorees,

Thank you for all you do for our community!

**BETH & LARRY GREENBERG** 

"These are the days that must
Happen to you. You shall scatter
With a lavish hand all that you
Learn or achieve, and those who
Love you shall rise to your example
And be inspired."
Walt Whitman

Thank you

Barbara & Samantha

for scattering your love & compassion with
such a lavish hand so we can all be inspired.

**BARRIE LANDRY** 

Thank you for your vision, guidance and leadership of our community

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Thank you to all the JFS staff and volunteers for standing up for those left behind.

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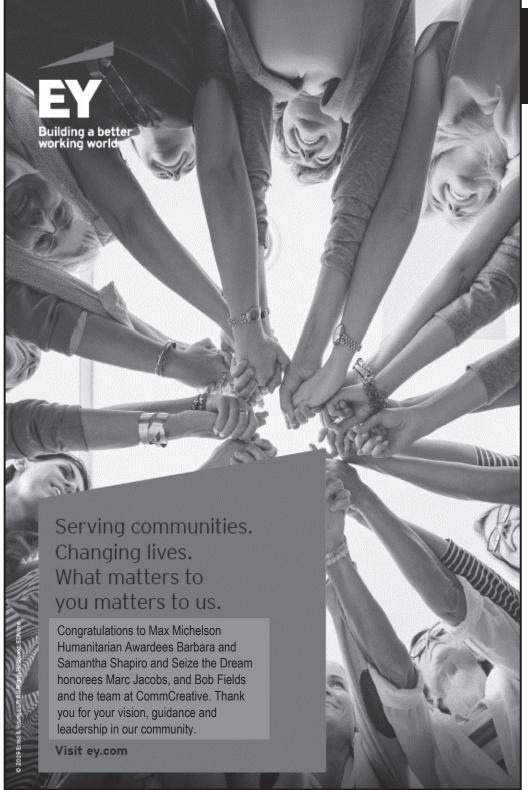
# Marc,

It has been a pleasure to work with you through the years. You can expect us to handle JFS with the same care and inspiration moving forward as we carry on. We wish you the best in your future endeavors.

**ALLAN & REBECCA CHASEN** 

Congratulations on a well-deserved honor

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and

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Marc Jacobs.

Your extraordinary leadership has positioned JFSMW for a most successful future.

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#### Mazel Tov to Seize the Dream honorees

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#### Marc

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Through you we see the magic that happens when the fit is just perfect. JFS Metrowest reflects your values in every way and you reflect the very heart of JFS Metrowest.

May you all go from strength to strength

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Renée and Steven Finn

# KOL HAKOVOD, MARC!

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Bob Fields and the team at CommCreative

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Mazel Tov on this well deserved recognition.

Your former president and first spouse,

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Mazel Tov to Seize the Dream honorees

# Bob Fields/CommCreative

and

Marc Jacobs

and

Max Michelson Humanitarian Awardees

Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

Thank you for your vision, guidance and leadership of our community

DANA & DANIEL FINN

### Congratulations

# Barbara and Samantha



We are grateful for the work you do to give back. And grateful for the many memories we have shared!

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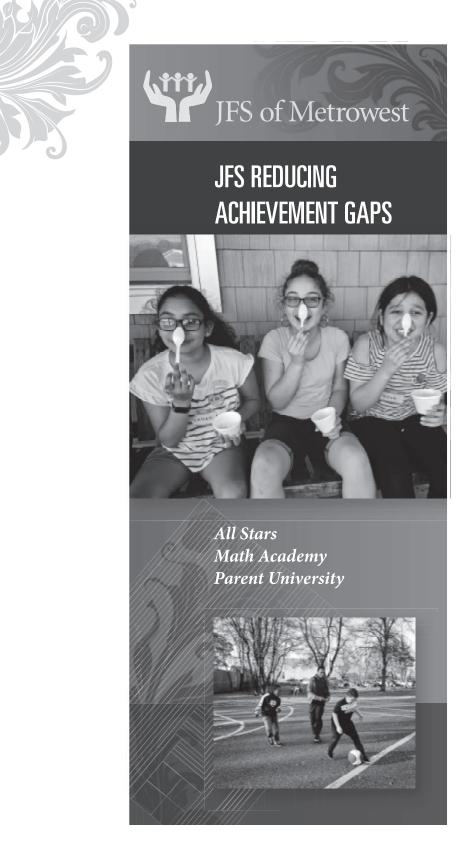
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To Our Wonderful Honorees:

Marc Jacobs and Bob Fields

Thanks, especially to Marc for such great leadership and vision which has brought JFS to its outstanding place in the community

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and
Marc Jacobs,
and
Max Michelson Humanitarian Awardees
Barbara and Samantha

**BARBARA & ANDREW SCHULTZ** 

#### Mazel Tov to

### Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

on their inspiring leadership in this important arena.

With Love,

CINDY, ANDREW, MIKKI, SAMMI & ALEXANDRA JANOWER

#### Mazel Tov to

Barbara and Samantha!

Thank you for all you do to make the world a better place!

Much Love

SUSAN, JULIA, CARLY & JAKE PATKIN

# Congratulations to you

#### Samantha and Barbara

We are so proud of you both. Keep doing all you do to help make the world a better and kinder place.

We love you

SHARI, JOHN, EMILY & SAM

Mazel tov on a well deserved honor.

With all our love and admiration,

THE GOTBETTER FAMILY

Barbara and Samantha,

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Mazel tov to the Max Michelson Humanitarian Awardees, Barbara and Samantha Shapiro.

These human rights warriors tirelessly lift the lamp, lighting a path to security for the world's most vulnerable populations and serving as a beacon to others.

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RICHARD STARFIELD, ILANA HURWITZ
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**DEBBIE & BARRY LIPSETT** 

#### Barbara and Samantha,

What a dynamic duo! You are the embodiment of joy in leadership, humility, and loving kindness. You inspire us by being a voice for those who are often left unheard and by rolling up your sleeves to do the hard work. We are blessed to call you our friends and are so excited to celebrate this well deserved honor with you!

Mazel Toy!

LOVE, KATHY, SCOTT, SOPHIE, MAYTA, & ZEV

#### Mazel Toy to our honorees

Bob Fields and the team at CommCreative and

Marc Jacobs,

and

Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

Thank you for all you do to strengthen our community

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Thank you,

Marc Jacobs

and

the entire JFS staff
for your unwavering dedication
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With gratitude and appreciation for all you do on behalf of the Jewish community,

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#### Marc!

Under your leadership and vision, you and the JFS Metrowest staff have made innumerable contributions to the community.

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and

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#### Congratulations to

Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

for their endless dedication to helping others and to all the Seize the Dream Honorees. And thank you to Jewish Family Service of Metrowest for assisting so many people in need.

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#### Well deserved honors

MARC, your incredible vision and leadership combined with drive and dedication, have been (and will continue to be) lasting inspirations for our entire community for today and for all those days yet to come!

BOB/CommCreative, thank you for your caring & creativity with commitment to our community and beyond. The world is a better place through your extraordinary dedication to excellence!

BARBARA & SAMANTHA, what better role models for the Max Michelson Humanitarian Award than mother and daughter who have made a commitment to Tikkun Olam! Your passion to support people in need demonstrates the mission of JFS.

#### JUDI RAPHAEL

Congratulations on a well-deserved honor.

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Your selflessness, love and caring for others are just a few of the amazing traits that make you the giving women you are.

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Congratulations to

Barbara and Samantha

for this well deserved honor.

With love,

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#### Barbara and Samantha

From generation to generation your family exemplifies the importance of teaching the next generation.

Congratulations!

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Congratulations,

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on a well-deserved honor,

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Your friend,
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-Mahatma Gandhi

Mazel tov to

Barbara and Samantha Shapiro

on receiving the Max Michelson Humanitarian Award.
You truly embody the Jewish values of
Tikkun Olam and G'milut Chasadim.

Love,

SARAH, JAMIE, JOSH, HANNAH & RACHEL FLECKNER

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for leading the agency to such great heights.

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**BRENDA & ARNOLD ZALTAS** 

Congratulations honorees.

We appreciate your work to help the vulnerable populations in our community.

MICHELLE & ADAM WILEN

Mazel Tov to

Bob Fields/CommCreative
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Thank you for your vision, guidance and leadership of our community

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Congratulations, Marc, Barbara, Samantha, Bob, & CommCreative!

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Kol Hakavod!

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In honor of the vision and leadership of

Marc Jacobs

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Mazal Tov to all our Seize the Dream honorees who are powerful and effective advocates for children and their families.

A special note of thanks to

Marc Jacobs

for his dedication, commitment and extraordinary leadership of JFS. It was an honor to get to know him, work with him as a board member but most of all call him my friend!

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#### Mazel Tov to

Samantha & Barbara!

Your countless hours with your adoptive family in Framingham has changed the lives of a (large) family forever.

It's the most powerful connection we've witnessed.

Your life-changing work is only possible because of Marc's vision and leadership.

Thank you to

Marc

for transforming our community for so many years!

LOVE, LARRY, JESSE & RUTHIE

Thank you,

Barbara and Samantha,

for your inspiring and generous leadership, and for including us on part of the journey. It has enriched our lives.

With affection and gratitude,

AMY AND JONATHAN FLEMING

You have inspired JFS to dream more, learn more, do more and become more.

May your legacy continue

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Congratulations to

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and
Barbara and Samantha Shapiro
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Our congratulations and

best wishes to

Marc Jacobs

on his retirement, and our deepest thanks for his years of service and his friendship towards our family

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Congratulations to all the honorees.

A special Thank You and Mazel Tov to

Marc Jacobs

on all he has done for JFS over the years.

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Thank you for your vision, guidance, and leadership of our community

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This award is so symbolic of how you both seize the dream.

You give your heart and soul to every cause and person you love.

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With love and admiration.

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Kol HaKavod!

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Marc Jacobs

and

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Mazel tov to Marc Jacobs on your retirement from JFS. Your leadership and contributions have enriched Jewish life in our community and beyond.

Best wishes to Bob Fields and the staff at CommCreative as they receive this recognition.

Congratulations to the 2020 Seize the Dream honorees.

CJP is proud to partner with Jewish Family Service of Metrowest as they work to repair the world.

Thank you for all you do.

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Before her time at WCVB, Emily worked for duopolies WSYX-TV and WTTE-TV in Columbus, Ohio where she served as a political reporter.

During her distinguished career, Emily has reported on a range of topics including daily government and public policy stories, legislative initiatives, election campaigns and the impact of budget cutbacks. Emily interviewed President Barack Obama in 2010 and enjoyed covering the Patriot's Super Bowl win from Arizona in 2015.

Emily strives to be involved with the community by supporting the local efforts of many organizations including St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, the American Heart Association and JFS of Metrowest.

A native of Andover, MA, Emily graduated from Ithaca College with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She also holds a Master's degree in International Communications from Leeds University in England.



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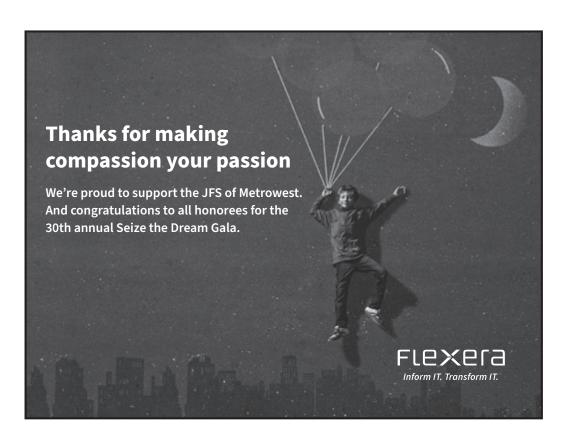
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Senate President







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### INTRODUCING THE JFS INNOVATION FUND



The JFS Board of Directors is proud to establish the JFS Innovation Fund to honor Marc Jacobs' retirement and his impact upon JFS and our community.

Two decades ago, Marc was the sole recipient of the CARLISLE Foundation's 2000 Creative Entrepreneur Award for demonstrated leadership, creativity, vision and selflessness. As Marc said back then, "that this award represents the collective body of my and JFS work and contribution to the community adds special value".

Encouraging and cultivating new ideas, incubating new approaches, collecting and analyzing data and demonstrating impacts, creating deep and vibrant partnerships, experimenting with different solutions to accelerate social, academic, and health equity are deeply embedded in the JFS culture.

To date, numerous initiatives have emerged, some successful, sustained long term or brought to larger scale, while others did not work but provided valuable lessons. Marc and JFS have received prestigious social justice leadership awards as a by-product of taking courageous paths where others stepped back.

Dreaming and imagining, with solid research and design will be at its forefront. JFS will have "test kitchens" encouraging a next generation of young leadership (both from within and from outside JFS) to bring their own creative and entrepreneurial spark to help build a kinder, stronger community and they will be encouraged and supported by seasoned mentors.

The JFS Innovation Fund will be a catalyst to ensuring continued experimentation and developing new solutions as needs change in our community, and in our society.

To learn more, call **508-875-3100 x430** or email **development@jfsmw.org** 

Jewish Family Service of Metrowest

# **Legacy Giving Program**

The Jewish Family Service of Metrowest (JFS) Board of Directors endorsed the creation of JFS's Legacy Giving Program to meet the current demand for client services and to sustain the agency's ability to meet future demands.

The Legacy Giving Program, through the establishment of endowments, ensures that funds are available for JFS to:

- · Meet future needs
- · Maintain consistent program funding
- Expand financial resources
- Respond in the event of an emergency

To ensure that your interest in and support of JFS programs and services endure, please consider creating a named fund, establishing an endowment, and/or including JFS in your estate planning.

Together, we can maintain the agency's promise to the community to stand up for those left behind.



## **Priority Program Areas**

for Endowment Funding

Civic Engagement, Community Service and Leadership

Education, Mentoring for Low Income Children and Families

Hunger, Basic Needs, Family Assistance, Employment

Healthy Aging in the Community for Frail, Vulnerable Elders, Support for Family Caregivers

### JFS Staff

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Rosemarie Coelho Chief Learning, Performance and Strategy Officer
Amanda Coughlin Senior Director, Operations and Revenue Programs

Lucia Panichella Senior Director, Programs and Partnerships

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Marc Jacobs

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Jewish Family Assistance Network Daniel Woodward – Immigrant Services

#### **Children and Families**

Includes: Adoption Choices, Citizenship Assistance and Resettlement, Pathways to College Success, Pathways to Academic Growth, Empowerment and Success (PAGES), and other community programs

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Anne McManus
Yuriy Roudenko
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#### **Family Assistance**

Includes: Children's Clothing Closet, Family Assistance Network, Healthy Harvest and Weekend Nutrition, Information and Referral Network, Lucy and Joe's Food Pantry, and Ready for Success Employment Support

Malvina Drummond-Goldfarb Myrna Winter

Abrielle Salloway

### JFS Staff

**Elder and Family Caregiving Service** 

Includes: Allies in Aging JFS Elder Care Solutions, Healthy Aging Initiative, Homecare, Kesher, Patient Navigator and Ally Navigator, Warm Connectors, and other community programs

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# Accelerating Social, Academic and Health Equity

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JFS is committed to providing the best social, health and community services to:

- Strengthen children and families
- · Keep frail older adults safe and healthy
- · Help those needing assistance make ends meet
- Stand up for those left behind
- Build community



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