



WELCOME NEW TRUSTEES



We Proudly Introduce Four New Trustees

Our passionate and dedicated [Board of Trustees](#) represents a broad spectrum of Los Angeles industry leaders. We're pleased to welcome our newest members: Matthew Louchheim, Marc Rohatiner, Alexandra Shabtai, and Andrea Sonnenberg, who are all distinguished professionals in their respective fields. In this unprecedented time of the coronavirus pandemic, we asked them how they've been using this time at home in new and creative ways.



Matthew Louchheim is vice president of corporate development for Bobrick Washroom Equipment, Inc., a 100-year-old washroom accessory, partition, and child-seating company. He is a governor of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) and founded Haskalah, HUC-JIR's association of young professionals and alumni. Matt is also treasurer of his family's foundation, which focuses on childhood literacy. He serves on the Tocqueville Society Cabinet at United Way of Greater Los Angeles and is a member of Temple Emanuel of Beverly Hills. Matt received his bachelor's degree in history at Yale University and his MBA at Stanford Graduate School of Business.

“As a new trustee, I especially look forward to learning from the people behind The Foundation's success, including other trustees, the leadership team, and staff.”

What is one new thing you have created, learned, or tried during the coronavirus “stay-at-home” order?



The order forced me to confront one major void in my skill set: I had no idea how to cook. Each week, I'm expanding my recipes and techniques, while gaining a greater appreciation for food as well as the entire culinary workforce.

Marc E. Rohatiner is a partner in the litigation department of Wolf, Rifkin, Shapiro, Schulman & Rabkin, LLP, and he also sits on the mediator and arbitrator panels at Alternative Resolution Centers (ARC 4 ADR) and the American Arbitration Association. He served as president of Beth Jacob Congregation for four years and has remained very active in the congregation, including as the chair of the Rabbinic Search Committee, and is now chairing its Renovation Committee. Marc is also a past president of Builders of Jewish Education, a member of The Jewish Federation's Board of Directors and Executive Committee, and a member of AIPAC's National Council. Marc previously served on the boards of Shalhevet High School and Hillel Hebrew Academy and was a Jewish Big Brother for five years.



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I have been afforded substantially more free time to test what just a few months ago was theoretical speculation – my eventual retirement. Happily, I have found I can now devote at least two hours a day to online lectures or classes on a variety of subjects. Even after the "reset," when I am again working at full speed, I will still make time for these outlets.

“Because I have been involved in many diverse organizations that were beneficiaries of Foundation grants, my appreciation for the unique role The Foundation plays has been repeatedly reinforced.”

Marc E. Rohatiner



Alexandra Shabtai is a native of Los Angeles. She graduated from Boston University with a bachelor's degree in psychology and completed a master's degree at USC Marshall School of Business in social entrepreneurship. In 2014, she founded a passion project, SPArT, as a response to a need for funding for social practice art in Los Angeles. At the same time, she became engaged in her family's foundation. She currently serves on the Advisory Board of Diane and Guilford Glazer Philanthropies, which is dedicated to supporting Jewish life and the Jewish people, among other focus areas.

“The Jewish Community Foundation has been instrumental in facilitating the living legacy of my grandparents. It has been an incredible partner to me as I have journeyed toward a deeper sense of my philanthropic approach.”

Alexandra Shabtai

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Since the roads have been so much more manageable, my husband and I cleaned up our bikes, bought a kid's bike seat, and have been taking family bike rides!

Andrea Sonnenberg is the co-founder and CEO of Wise Readers to Leaders, a community-wide collaborative literacy program serving 450+ children from low-income schools. She also is the vice president of administration for Latitude Real Estate Holdings. Andrea practiced law for several years as a litigation associate at Pillsbury, Madison and Sutro and was a senior attorney at Paramount Pictures. She serves as chair of the Board of Wise Readers to Leaders, chair of the Board of USC Hillel, and co-chair of the Legal Network of The Jewish Federation of Los Angeles. Andrea has worked as a volunteer attorney for Bet Tzedek Legal Services and for KIND Legal Services. She graduated cum laude from the USC Marshall School of Business in finance and received her JD from Loyola Law School.



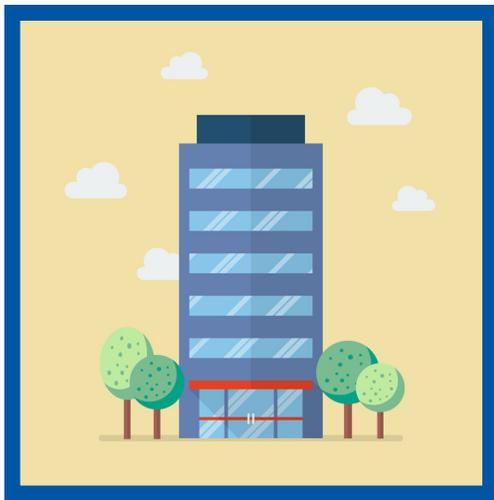
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One thing I have tried is singing as part of the online Shabbat service for Stephen Wise Temple. ✖

“The Jewish community, working together, can help heal the world. I believe the Jewish Community Foundation is a manifestation of this model and of the command to be a light among the nations.”

Andrea Sonnenberg



CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE GRANTS

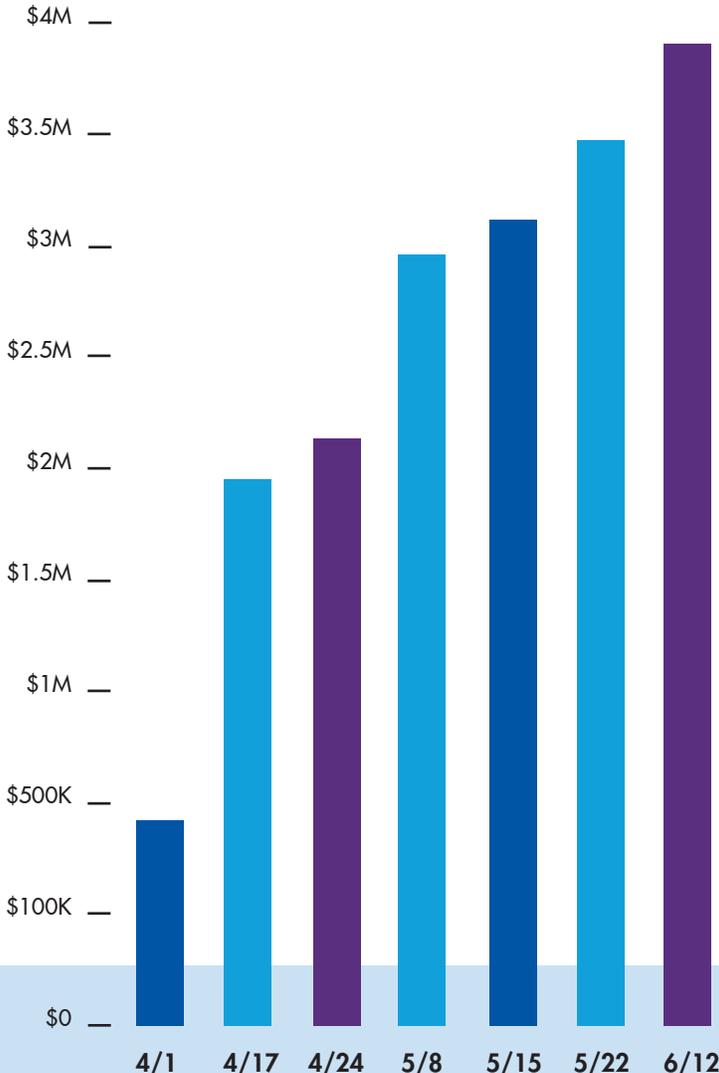
From mid-March to early June, over 350 grants were given by our donors to nonprofits providing coronavirus relief and services, totaling nearly **\$4 million!**



Our multi-million dollar Foundation coronavirus relief plan will be announced soon!

Visit our [Coronavirus Response Hub](#) to learn about giving opportunities.

Cumulative Coronavirus Donor Grants March 16 – June 12, 2020





MEET LORI KLEIN

Vice President, Center for Designed Philanthropy



We welcomed Lori Klein as vice president of [The Center for Designed Philanthropy](#) in January 2020. She is responsible for managing all grant making programs as well as helping donors establish meaningful charitable legacies and maximize the impact of their giving. She will guide The Center's family philanthropy planning activities, engaging multiple generations in giving that reflects their values and their visions for bettering the world.

From: Los Angeles

Education: Master's in Jewish communal service, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion
Master's in social work, USC
Bachelor's in psychology, UCLA

Background: Most recently was the executive director at Students 4 Students. Served as associate chief program officer and as senior vice president of Caring for Jews in Need at The Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles, as the associate director of the Zelikow School of Jewish Nonprofit Management at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR), and in various programming and fundraising positions in the Jewish community. In 2010, the Jewish Communal Professionals of Southern California honored her with a mentorship award, and HUC-JIR awarded her an honorary doctorate in Jewish nonprofit management in 2016.

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What initially attracted you to the work of The Foundation?

I love The Foundation's ability to make a difference in the community beyond each individual or family's philanthropy. I believe everyone's unique history shapes how the world is viewed, and I enjoy learning about each Foundation donor's motivation as a philanthropist. I was excited at the thought of sharing my knowledge of the Los Angeles Jewish community and nonprofit landscape to help donors and The Foundation make strategic grants.



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Who are your influences?

I have many professional, personal, and historic role models, but I am primarily influenced by my parents and grandparents. They instilled in me the values of hard work, integrity, family, community, and *tikkun olam*. My paternal grandfather came to this country as an immigrant from Hungary via Canada. He had an incredibly strong work ethic and worked hard to provide for his family. He put his family and community first and modeled the importance of taking care of others and giving back. He taught me to question and challenge what I heard and saw while keeping an open mind and sticking to my convictions. I have carried these lessons with me throughout my life.



(L-R) Rick Hasen (husband), Lori Klein, Deborah Hasen-Klein, Shana Hasen-Klein, Jared Hasen-Klein

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How has the coronavirus pandemic affected your work at The Foundation?

Our grantees need to respond to their constituents in ways they never imagined while facing their financial challenges at the same time. We have spent a lot of time learning about the changing needs of our community. We are sharing that information with donors to inform their philanthropic giving, both one-on-one and through a hub we created on our website. After careful evaluation, we have refocused our grantmaking to be responsive to emerging needs. We continue to provide tools, resources, and expertise to our donors and our grantees with a new focus.

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What was it like to face this crisis so soon after joining The Foundation team?

I am fortunate to work with a stellar team of professionals and lay leaders to refocus our work expeditiously and seamlessly. This crisis has allowed me to get to know some of our donors and grantees better, meet other funders, and think about how we can be responsive in a strategic way. Joining The Foundation at this time has given me a glimpse into the resiliency, compassion, and dedication of our donors, leadership, and staff.

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What are your goals for the Center for Designed Philanthropy?

I want current and future donors to continue to build trusting relationships with us so we can assist them in being effective grantmakers. I also want the Center to be a place that facilitates intergenerational giving. We are in a unique position to help children and grandchildren understand their family legacies and then discover organizations and programs that are both meaningful and aligned with their parents' and grandparents' values. By helping them find this common ground, we will create a vibrant new generation of philanthropists.



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What matters most to you?

First and foremost, I value my family, both the earlier generations and our children. My husband and I have tried to raise our three children with integrity and to instill in them the same values and goals we learned from our parents and grandparents. I value a pluralistic and inclusive Jewish community and am committed to making sure it is viable in the future. It is important for me to live a purposeful life that is based on Jewish values and to give back to my community and help make the world we live in a better place.

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I hosted a Zoom Seder for 50 people using an online Haggadah I created. And I only needed to cook and do dishes for five people! ✨

Online Donor Salon with Dr. Avi Weiss: How Coronavirus is Affecting Israeli Society

The first in a series of Foundation online donor salons featured Professor Avi Weiss, president of the Taub Center for Social Policy Studies in Israel and professor of economics at Bar Ilan University. The presentation included key points from an extensive report on the subject of coronavirus in Israel.

Dr. Weiss explained how early adopting of social distancing contributed to relatively low rates of confirmed infections per capita and very low mortality rates in Israel. Factors working in Israel’s favor included its young and healthy population and its familiarity with emergency situations. Unfortunately, late behavior changes among Ultra-Orthodox populations led to higher infection rates in those communities. He examined the disruptive effects of the coronavirus on Israeli labor markets and education, ending on a positive note saying that new remote work opportunities could expand



the workforce to include more women and Arab Israelis.

The salon was moderated by Sara Hahn, program officer with The Foundation’s Center for Designed Philanthropy. The Center team works with donors to help them identify what causes they are passionate about, explore their areas of interest, and connect them with outstanding nonprofits.

The Foundation makes institutional grants, both in Los Angeles and Israel. Since 2010, The Foundation has awarded nearly \$10 million to more than 60 organizations in Israel. We recently collected data from this decade of grantmaking and were excited to find that our grants have touched the lives of nearly 900,000 people in Israel. ✨