

# bulletin

February - April 2017

NCJW®

National Council of Jewish Women  
Greater Detroit Section

**National Council of Jewish Women,  
Greater Detroit Section invites you to our...**

## Stay-at-Home Tea

**to benefit Children's Literacy  
as well as other youth projects**

**Date: February 2017**

**Time: At your leisure**

**Place: In the comfort  
of your own home**



### IT'S AS EASY AS 1-2-3

**1. Boil water and  
drop a tea bag  
into your  
favorite cup.**

**2. Choose a  
level of  
support**

**3. Sit back and  
relax, knowing  
you have made  
a difference**

#### Children's Literacy

Our mission is to give all children an equal opportunity to develop a love of reading and books. Children who read frequently or are read to, acquire stronger reading skills that will help them in the future, and is a critical feature in their intellectual development. Reading aloud to children is the single most effective practice for enhancing language and literacy achievement. Immersing children in literacy activities can help them improve their reading, writing, vocabulary, grammar, and spelling skills.

#### LEVELS OF SUPPORT

High Tea.....\$1,000  
Tea Party..... \$500  
Afternoon Tea ..... \$250

Tea & Crumpets.....\$100  
Midmorning Tea..... \$75

Tea for Two..... \$50  
Tea on the Go ..... \$\_\_\_\_\_

**To donate, visit our website: [www.ncjwgds.org](http://www.ncjwgds.org), mail  
a check payable to NCJW/Greater Detroit or call 248.355.3300, ext. 0**

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**Sandi Matz**

As we settle into winter with the cold temperatures and snow all around us, we reflect on the last few months. I hope you all had a wonderful Chanukah, celebrating with family and friends and had your share of latkes, and other traditional

holiday foods. When I close my eyes I can see my Nana shredding potatoes, peeling onions, and the smell of her frying the most delicious golden brown latkes, never to be duplicated. Jewish holidays always seem to be centered around food and the memories created for us.

Speaking of memories. The Memory Book created by the 125th Anniversary Celebration chairs, Jacqui Elkus and Irma Glaser has come to a close. Make sure to go to our website ([ncjwgds.org](http://ncjwgds.org)) and read the wonderful memories shared by our board as well as general members. Jacqui and Irma did a fantastic job with the help of Lori Issner making sure all of our remarkable memories are preserved. I would be remiss if I did not send out a special thank you to Jacqui's son Bryan for his help in creating the site which enabled us to successfully record our memories.

In November, Janet Moses and Sue Simon chaired our Fall Focus Event. Jack Lessenberry was our featured speaker and presented to a very large crowd at Temple Shir Shalom, where we learned what happened with the election and the direction in which we are heading.

Ah.... the direction in which we are heading: Many of you have heard these words before, but I think they are worth repeating. This past presidential election was a divisive election no matter who won; however, our organization and our section is not divided on the issues that impact the lives of women, children, and families. We will continue to fight for and work diligently to achieve our goals. We will work on reproductive justice, gun violence prevention, promote the vote, protect the vote, education, equal pay for equal work, and many more. This is a progressive Jewish organization, the mission statement of NCJW reads:

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***Inspired by Jewish values, NCJW strives for social justice by improving the quality of life for women, children, families, and by safeguarding individual rights and freedoms.***

It is **our** obligation to follow this mission, therefore protecting and promoting the rights of women, children, and families. This message will be delivered over and over again. We take our cues from our national organization where our resolutions and principles are developed. Advocacy is important

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

to our Section. We have established a new SPA (State Policy Advocates) committee under the direction of SPA's Cathy Cantor and Irma Glaser to research the issues we have chosen to explore and will report back to the membership. Keep an eye out for more information about this new committee.

In December, NCJW co-sponsored an event sponsored by a new young women's group in the community called the THREAD. The keynote speaker was Anat Hoffman and she spoke about Women of the Wall, at the Berman Theater. It was a wonderful event and very well attended by the community.

We are in the process of examining our community service projects under the chairmanship of Sharyn Gallatin. Sharyn's committee held hearings on all of our community service projects and will make recommendations to the board whether to keep working on a project or to let it go. Sometimes a project no longer meets the standards we have established and it is time to stop and make room for another. A big thank you to Sharyn and her hard-working committee.

At the end of March a group of NCJW/Greater Detroit board members will travel to Atlanta to attend the NCJW Annual Convention. We will be sure to bring back new information from National and make sure everyone is up to speed as to the future of NCJW.

Our Annual Stay at Home Tea invitation will be in the mail shortly and I encourage you to participate, sit back, relax, enjoy a cup of tea and know that you are making a difference in the lives of women, children, and families.

**SAVE THE DATE:** I am so excited to share with you that the NCJW/Greater Detroit Thespians will once again take the stage with the performance of What Am I Doing Here? This witty and delightful play was written and will be directed by local playwright Judi Schram. Put Thursday evening, June 8th on your calendars. You don't want to miss seeing NCJW members on stage yet again.

Check out the rest of the bulletin for interesting programs coming up in the next few months. We are once again going to the DIA in conjunction with a Federation program, chaired by Myrle Leland and Janice Sobel, we have Nosh & Knowledge lunchtime programs in the office and a new/prospective membership event that will take place in March, chaired by membership chairs Jan Goldfarb and Sallyjo Levine.

There is always something interesting happening at NCJW. If you are already involved please share your enthusiasm with your friends, and if you haven't found your place yet, give me a call and we will find just the right place for you so that you too can make a difference in the lives of women, children, and families.

Warmly,

Sandi



## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



**Susan Gertner**

For 125 years, NCJW/Greater Detroit has been an organization that has been making a difference. Courageous, passionate, and pioneering women have worked together to improve the quality of life for women, children, and families. Today is no different than in our beginning days, we still need to continue to work together in order to make a difference. We can only do that with the support of all of you. Whether it is with your time or a dime, we need your support. Our goal is to reach out to others, to invite them to join with us to make sure our voices are heard. Please invite your friends and family to join us. In honor of our 125th Anniversary, we have extended our \$25 membership special for new annual members until February 28, 2017.

There are so many options on how to support your NCJW/Greater Detroit: join a committee; volunteer for one of our many community service projects; shop, donate or consign items at our stores; help us spread the word about our stores; attend a program; buy a tribute card; shop at Kroger, Amazon Smile, or Johnny Pomodoro, and choose us as your designated non-profit; sign on to our Action Alerts; or become a donor for one of our fundraisers. Choose one way or choose many ways, but either way WE NEED YOU!

We have many exciting programs planned for the coming year which I hope you will consider attending. The most exciting is our Spring Fundraiser: a chance for thespians to come out and participate in our play, *What am I Doing Here?* written by Judi Schram. If you were involved or came to watch our performance of *Vagina Monologues* or *Love, Loss and What I Wore*, you know our members have talent. If you are not comfortable being on stage, there are many ways to get involved in the performance. Just give us a call and let us know you want to help out.

As we begin our plans for our Women of Vision 2017 Benefit Luncheon, we are inviting corporations and individuals to become a sponsor. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please let me know.

I wish all of you a very happy and healthy new year. I hope that NCJW/Greater Detroit is in your plans for 2017 and you will join us in any way that you can.

## Project Friendship

Our Project Friendship Sunday Brunch events for Kadima clients are always so varied. We have provided these biweekly brunches for clients of Kadima with mental health challenges for the past nineteen years.



On November 6th Kadima participants had a wonderful opportunity to visit our National Parks via the IMAX screen at the Henry Ford Museum. The film was in 3D, and it felt as though we were virtually there. It was beautiful! Before the film clients were given money to indulge in treats. It was a wonderful way to spend an afternoon. Many thanked NCJW before heading out.



**I-r: Sandi Matz, Barbara Berger**

Sandy Lada, again, outdid herself by bringing freshly picked vegetables in their natural state for our Harvest Meal on November 20th. The fun game that she created for clients and volunteers was in guessing what these vegetables were. Our lunch was deliciously prepared with freshly roasted vegetables with rolls, hummus, and a fresh salad. We were all educated, and had such a fun time.

If you have a desire to add sunshine to someone's life, and can give a few hours of your time on a Sunday morning, please contact the NCJW office.

**Please join us at one of our upcoming events on Sundays 10:30am – 1:00pm:**

**February 5 – Robin Beck Music and Brunch**

**February 19 – Movie Day and Presidents Trivia**

**March 12 – Purim Party**

**March 26 – Game Day and Brunch**

**April 9 – Passover Brunch**

**April 23 – Spring Art Project and Brunch**

**Chairs: Barbara Berger, Sandy Weiss, Carol Wiseman**



**I-r: Sissi Lapides, Sandi Matz, Barbara Berger, Nancy Josephson, Leah Lapides, Michael Berger**





## Coleman A. Young Elementary School

**Dear National Council of Jewish Women,  
December 5, 2016**



This letter, which is just a small indication of our BIG appreciation for the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), is to give thanks and ensure that you realize how appreciative this staff is for the services NCJW renders here at Coleman A. Young Elementary School. When we all first met four years ago, I knew instantly the NCJW support for our school would be genuine and invaluable. You all understood the magnitude of the task that was presented to us and the courage and consistency that it would take to be victorious for these children and the community. Although the issues and needs seemed endless, NCJW never yielded or questioned whether to engage and be involved. As a matter of fact, the NCJW increased their efforts and involvement in ways that were never initially discussed.

The Monday and Tuesday tutorial sessions became just one of the many blessings we have received from NCJW. First and foremost, relationships amongst your members and this staff and students are certainly lifelong connections, as I personally have witnessed. Helping to organize a library that has been inoperable for years has helped show our students how important WE all feel reading is, and how this foundational skill can change the course of your life. In addition, your involvement in other school events such as: monthly reading, Open house, Black History Month, assisting our community with clothing donations, and various others has added to what we have been able to offer and gave further evidence that the NCJW are helping us to realize our school vision.

As Principal of Coleman A. Young, I cannot thank NCJW enough for what you all have provided to me personally (many things were not even intentional). Your organization has shown me what true commitment looks like.

***With Sincere Gratitude,  
Melissa C. Scott, Principal***

## NEW TRIBUTE CARD PRICES



NCJW/Greater Detroit is well-stocked with packages of five tribute cards for sale.

If you are in need of a card to acknowledge a special life event or remember a special person, we "headline" Thinking of You and Celebrate cards along with our generic blue card. "News worthy" too are the All Kids Playground and Back 2 School Store cards.... perfect for supporting causes you believe in and care about.

### **New Tribute Card Prices are as follows:**

- Blue, All Kids Playground, Back 2 School Store, Celebrate, Thinking of You Cards Package of 5 cards for \$36  
or  
Individual Cards for a contribution of \$10 - \$24
- Silver Cards for contribution of \$25-\$49
- Gold Cards for contribution of \$50-\$99
- For a Contribution of \$100+ a Personalized Certificate is sent

**For \$3.50 we will mail your packet to you**



## Jewish Youth Awards

NCJW/Greater Detroit is proud to continue its tradition of honoring outstanding high school seniors with its annual Jewish Youth Awards. Candidates will be judged on a written essay and on their leadership both in the Jewish and/or secular communities. The program is open to Jewish High School seniors, and all are encouraged to apply. Funds totaling \$6500 will be awarded to eight finalists during an awards ceremony on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, 7PM at the NCJW office. Applications are due February 28, 2017. Judging will be held on Sunday, April 23, 2017. Application information and requirements are available at [www.ncjwgds.org](http://www.ncjwgds.org).

Funding for Jewish Youth Awards is provided by the Dina and Herman (z'l) Brodsky and Esther (z'l) and Nathan (z'l) Katz Jewish Youth Awards funds.

**Chairs: Lauren Mandel, Julie Silberg**



### **Bookstock 2017.**

***Have fun while giving back to the community!***

Sorting for Bookstock is every Wednesday through the end of March at the JCC, room 107B and C, from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

The Colossal Collection dates are Sundays, February 12th, and March 19th. On those days we collect books from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, and then sort them until 3:00 pm, at the JCC, room 107B and C.

Sale dates are Sunday, April 23rd through Sunday, April 30th. Location: Laurel Park Mall, 37700 West Six Mile Road, Livonia.

NCJW special Bookstock Day is Wednesday, April 26th. If you cannot work that day, sign up for another day – be sure to sign up as an NCJW volunteer.

**Chairs: Deede Auster, Charlene Green, Sue Rollinger, Fran Stern**



Thank you to everyone who helped with our "Shoes to Share" 2016 shoe drive. We so appreciated your help in connecting with schools and synagogues in Metro Detroit, in picking up, and dropping off boxes and bags filled with shoes, and with sorting all of the shoes that were brought to the NCJW office! This year we collected over 2,810 pairs of shoes from six synagogues as well as the Jewish Federation, and twenty-two schools. Suite 100 in the NCJW Office building was overflowing with shoes! We were excited to involve some of the BBYO teens in our community service project. We donated the shoes to a dozen agencies in Oakland and Wayne Counties. The agencies were all thrilled to receive these shoes and boots.

Ruth Zerin, co-chair of Shoes to Share, shared that the teacher who handed out the shoes at Coleman A. Young Elementary School in Detroit said that the students were like "kids in a candy store." They were so excited to try on and be able to keep their "new" shoes. Thanks again for your help in making the 2016 "Shoes to Share" shoe drive such a success.

We look forward to October, 2017 for our next "Shoes to Share" project!

**Chairs: Gail Katz, Ellie Slovis, Ruth Zerin**





## RE|SALE NEWS

### re|design HOME consignment

2017 marks the 5th Anniversary of our store. Watch your emails for a special celebration in the spring. Shoppers, donors, consignors, and NCJW members will all be invited. Come celebrate with us! Follow us on Facebook and you will see new amazing, beautiful items that are for sale in our store.

#### NEW SHOPPERS WANTED

Help us spread the word about our stores. It's easy:

- share our post on Facebook
- stop by the office and pick up cards about our stores to display around town; no need to make a special stop, bring them when you go to your hairdresser, gym, or if you own your own business
- share our e-blasts with friends and family



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### UPCOMING SALES:

#### FEBRUARY 12-14 VALENTINE'S DAY SALE

Spend \$25 or more and  
receive 20% off your  
purchase

Spend \$50.00 and receive a  
fashionable handbag

#### SATURDAY, FEB. 4TH AND SUNDAY, FEB. 5TH SUPERBOWL WEEKEND

50% off all clothing plus a  
chance for an additional  
discount. Be the lucky  
winner and pick a football  
to reveal your special  
discount (excluding furs).

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1ST

75% off your purchase

#### THU.-FRI, MARCH 2-3

Stuff a bag with items for  
\$12 a bag

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH

Store closed in preparation of  
Spring Showcase

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH

Spring Showcase, noon-4pm

### COME SHOP WITH US

#### Did you know we offer daily specials to our customers?

MONDAY: Seniors 60+ 20% OFF

TUESDAY: Weight Watchers  
Members 20% OFF

WEDNESDAY: Berkley City  
Employees 10% OFF

THURSDAY: Military Discount 10% OFF

FRIDAY: Teachers & Students 10% OFF

#### Donations needed

- It's still cold outside, so we are still in  
need of fur coats, winter coats, as well  
as casual, career, and evening attire for  
men and women. Children's clothing is  
also always in demand.

Think spring and donate designer  
clothing, shoes, jewelry, accessories and  
hangers for our Spring Showcase on  
Sunday, March 5th.



Don't forget the 4th Thursday  
of the month is Dollar Days.  
Select items are only \$1 each!



## STATE POLICY ADVOCATES



**Cathy Cantor**



**Irma Glaser**

In December, co-SPAs Cathy Cantor and Irma Glaser attended a meeting at our office for a coalition in which we participate, Council of Organizations and Others for Education about Parochiaid or CAP. We discussed a number of items pertaining to the public schools that the state legislature was considering for passage in the lame duck session that ended in 2016. One of the topics was: The Senate package of school reform bills, SB102, SB1177 and SB1178, designed to offer a defined contribution, 401k retirement option to Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System participants at some undetermined future date. Currently, new hires pay to have a hybrid benefit consisting of a combination of pension and defined contribution. This system seems to be working well. Money comes into the retirement fund to support current retirees and money also goes to

employees' choices of investment for their future retirement. The bills were offered out of committee as a possible savings to Michigan taxpayers without enough time to discuss and/or to address other possible problems. When state senators were presented with the transition costs of \$25-33 billion to convert a successful working process to strictly a 401k, they backed off for now, but these bills will come up again in 2017.

We also discussed the possibility of an Amicus brief to be filed concerning public funds being used for private and parochial schools. Voters have spoken twice about this issue, and rejected it; yet a \$2,000,000 allocation was attached to another bill that passed in the fall.

Also, we learned that Governor Snyder circulated a proposal that would begin using some of the School Aid

Fund along with the state's General Fund to pay personal income tax refunds. He planned to attach this proposal to HB 4605, currently in Committee, to run it in the remaining days of the lame duck session. After significant pushback, he has withdrawn his proposal until the new legislature meets in January.



At this time, all income tax refunds come solely from the General Fund even though 24% of the income tax revenues are dedicated to the School Aid Fund. Under Snyder's proposal, the General Fund would save \$400,000,000. There is talk that this savings is needed to help raise additional revenue for the Michigan roads. However, critics point out that it could cost the School Aid Fund the equivalent of \$300 per student. A representative of the Tri County Alliance of school officials of Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb counties points out that this loss of funding could lead to weakening the quality of education, layoffs of teachers, and possible school closures. If these bills do move forward in 2017, Cathy and I will be sending Advocacy Alerts regarding these and other issues, so please act on them with emails, phone calls, and visits with your legislators, and share them with your friends, family, and affinity groups.

Finally, let's share some good news: The Michigan Court of Appeals has ruled in two separate cases that school districts have the authority to ban firearms from their premises, even if a person has a permit to carry a concealed weapon. The court held that schools can establish "weapons free zones" because that is what the Legislature intended the statutes creating these zones to do. If the rulings stand, the debate about changing Michigan law to prevent people from openly carrying firearms in schools will be over.

## INSTALLATION 2017

### Save The Date

**Spring Installation Luncheon and Annual Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 17, 2017**

**Guest Speaker: JOCELYN BENSON,  
CEO of the Ross Initiative in Sports for Equality**

**Location: Knollwood Country Club, West Bloomfield**







**Angel Ball 1962**



**Meals on Wheels 1992**

### **125th Anniversary**

What a wonderful year of celebrations for all! We all look forward to continuing our mission to improve the lives of women, children, and families.

**125th Anniversary Chairs:**  
Jacqueline Elkus, Irma Glaser



**125th Anniversary High Tea 2016**



**Orchards 1962**



**Marion & Tillie c.1930**





# Chocolate Coffee & Judaism

*An Illuminating &  
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**Sunday,  
February 26, 2017  
3:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

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## A DAY AT THE DIA

**3:30 p.m. - The Essence**

**Special Guest Rabbi Deborah Prinz**  
**"Jews on the Chocolate Trail"**

Explore the surprising Jewish historical  
connections to the world of chocolate

and

**Professor Howard Lupovitch**  
**"Jews and Coffee: A Stimulating History"**

Two dramatically different histories of how coffee  
has affected Jewish life

**5:15 p.m. - A Taste of  
Bitter/Sweet**

Enjoy a kosher chocolate buffet, sample gourmet  
coffees and teas; get a "behind the scenes" view  
of the Detroit Institute of Arts' special exhibition  
"Bitter/Sweet: Coffee, Tea & Chocolate" with  
Curator Dr. Yao-Fen You; meet Rabbi Deborah  
Prinz, author of *On the Chocolate Trail*.

**6:30 p.m. - Private Tour**

After hours viewing of the  
Detroit Institute of Arts Special Exhibition -  
"Bitter/Sweet: Coffee, Tea & Chocolate"

### LOCATION

Detroit Institute of Arts  
5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit

### COST

Members: \$38

(Friends of Melton; Friends of Cohn-Haddow; NCJW;  
Jewish Community Center; DIA)

General Admission: \$45

**Advanced registration required  
by February 21.**

Purchase tickets at  
[jewishdetroit.org/chocolate](http://jewishdetroit.org/chocolate)  
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## SAVE THE DATE

### SPRING PLAY FUNDRAISER

#### "What Am I Doing Here?"

...adaptation from *Lights Out in the Attic*,  
written and directed by Judi Schram.



**THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 8, 2017**

Audition dates to be announced at a later date.  
If you would like to be involved but prefer not  
being on stage, we have a place for you.

**NCJW  
Programming**



**THURSDAY, FEB. 16, 2017,  
12:00 PM**

**NCJW OFFICE**

#### Mayyim Hayyim: A Jewish Perspective on Water Justice



Rabbi Alana Alpert, serving  
Congregation T'chayah and  
Director and Co-founder of  
Detroit Jews for Justice will be  
speaking about the spiritual  
and political significance of  
water from the Jewish  
tradition, access to clean  
and affordable drinking water  
in the state of Michigan, and  
the struggle for water justice

in Flint, and around the world.

All are welcome!

**RSVP by February 13th by calling  
248-355-3300 ext. 0, or register and  
pay online at [www.ncjwgds.org](http://www.ncjwgds.org)**

**Cost: \$10 for NCJW members,  
\$15 for non-members.**

**A dairy lunch will be provided.**



#### HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS

**Please join us for a very special program  
sponsored by the Human Trafficking  
Awareness Committee:**

#### HUMAN TRAFFICKING, A SURVIVOR'S STORY

**Deborah Monroe, a trafficking survivor,  
will speak about her experience.**

**Wednesday, February 8, 2017  
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm at the NCJW office**

**Light refreshments, no admission charge**

**RSVP by Friday, February 3, 2017**



## **NCJW MEMBERSHIP EVENT** **“TALK AND TILES”**

*We're on a roll! Our \$25 new annual membership special was so successful that we are extending it until February 28, 2017.*

To introduce ourselves to new and prospective members, a free event will be held on

**Tuesday, March 21st**  
**1-3pm and 6:30-8:30pm**  
**at the NCJW office.**

We will be creating a large mosaic, showcasing the NCJW logo, and plan to hang it in the office. This event is being called “TALK and TILES.” Board members will be available to greet our guests and inform them about many of the projects and programs that we offer. Refreshments will be served.

Please invite anyone you think would be interested in hearing about NCJW.

To RSVP, please call the NCJW office  
248-355-3300 ext. 0

Chairs: **Jan Goldfarb, Sallyjo Levine**

### **Bereavement Spousal Support Group**

The support group will be held  
Wednesdays, February 1, 2017 –  
Wednesday, March 8, 2017, 1:30-3:00  
pm at Congregation Shaarey Zedek in  
Southfield. Facilitators Florence  
Herrmann and Anna Himelhoch will lead  
the group. There is no charge for this  
program but donations to NCJW are  
appreciated. Pre-registration is  
required, please call 248 355 3300 ext 0.

## **GIVE THE GIFT OF MEMBERSHIP**

Share your passion for NCJW/Greater Detroit with a gift of membership to your daughters and granddaughters. Shopping could not be easier! Our \$25 new annual membership special continues through February 28, 2017. Life membership is \$350. Your contributions are vital to the success of our programs. We thank you for your support and are grateful to have you as a member.

**Chairs: Jan Goldfarb, Sallyjo Levine**

### **WE WELCOME OUR... NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS**

Linda W. Aviv	Julie Manning
Gail Bennett	Steven Matz
Linda Bodzin	Linda Munson
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# BACK 2 SCHOOL Store

a project of NCJW/Greater Detroit

Plans are busily underway for our fourth Back 2 School Store which will open for business on Sunday, August 20, 2017. Last year we served over 350 children and we are planning on doing even more this year. As in the past, we will provide each child with a complete set of new clothing, including new underwear, socks, pants, shirts, winter coat, gloves, hat, and new pair of shoes, along with a new backpack, filled with school supplies, and personal care items. Each child will "shop" with a personal shopper, for the clothes they want, and will be able to leave the Store with a complete outfit and filled backpack.

There are many ways to help, from fundraising, hospitality, purchasing, public relations, set up, day of volunteering, and tear down. The beauty of this project is that there are many ways to get involved. If you are interested in being a part of this amazing project, please contact the NCJW/Greater Detroit office at 248-355-3300, ext. 0. We look forward to your participation and thank you for your support as do the children who will be served that day.

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## Back 2 School Store Tzedakah Box



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