

# Donate Now To The Atlantic District Funds

**Celebrate Everyday Happenings!** Show your family and friends that you share their joys and sorrows by recognizing those special moments in life when we need and want to be there for each other. Send a donation of \$18 or more and we will send a lovely acknowledgement card to whomever you designate. Your gift will not only bring joy or comfort to those you honor, but it will also provide scholarship funds to train our future leaders and ensure that Reform Judaism remains strong into the future.

Incoming/Outgoing Board	Birth/Baby Naming	New Home
Bar/Bat Mitzvah	Engagement/Wedding	Speedy Recovery
Confirmation	Graduation	Retirement
Birthday/Anniversary	Holiday Greetings	Death/Yahrzeit

WRJ Atlantic District has two special funds that would benefit from your donations and you can choose which one you would like to support:

- The WRJ Atlantic District Scholarship Fund
- The Jeanette Miriam Goldberg Youth Fund

Here's how:

1. Download the form and complete the information required. Here's the link to the form: [WRJ-Atlantic-Tributes-Donation-Form](#)
2. Cost is \$18.00 for the first card and \$9.00 for each additional card purchased at the same time.

We will also share the news of all donation recipients with our Atlantic District sisters in our quarterly newsletter unless you opt out of sharing.

## **Scholarship Fund**

The WRJ Atlantic District Scholarship Fund provides financial assistance for women affiliated with the WRJ Atlantic District to enable attendance at District events.

All attendees must be willing to pay some of the cost to attend! Therefore, Scholarship money to include up to 50% of the registration fee and up to 50% of hotel accommodations, depending upon the number of applicants and the total available funds for distribution. The amount of the scholarship is to be determined by the executive committee.

### **Individual or Sisterhood/District Donations can be for:**

- To honor incoming/outgoing board members of their sisterhoods or district board
- In celebration of birthdays or anniversaries
- In honor of an individual or occasion
- In memory of a person or occasion
- Get well, retirement, etc.

The suggested minimum donation will be \$18. Recognition of multiple people will require \$9 incremental donations.

### **Eligibility Criteria may be made based on the following:**

- Applicant must be in good standing with her Sisterhood. The Sisterhood will be in good standing with the Atlantic District and WRJ.
- Lack of representation by an affiliated Sisterhood for 2 or more years at WRJ Atlantic District convention or retreat meeting events.
- A newly affiliated or reinstated Sisterhood which has not had representation at WRJ Atlantic District convention or retreat meeting events for 2 or more years.
- Financial hardship – a Sisterhood is unable to send any member to a WRJ Atlantic District event without assistance.

- Financial hardship – an individual is unable to attend a WRJ Atlantic District event without assistance.
- First timers who are unable to attend a WRJ Atlantic District event without financial assistance.

**Acknowledgement:**

- Donors will receive an acknowledgement letter/tax receipt recognizing and thanking them for their donation.
- Honorees will receive a card notifying them of the donation.

## **THE JEANNETTE MIRIAM GOLDBERG YOUTH FUND**

This fund was established in memory of a dedicated sisterhood woman. **Each local sisterhood is encouraged to make a voluntary contribution** on an annual basis and payment is made to the WRJ Atlantic District treasurer. We are also encouraging **individual contributions** to support this fund. All donations are used to support Jewish youth programs.

**In 1999**, the purpose of the Jeannette Miriam Goldberg Youth Fund transitioned to include support of the youth of the NFTY-PAR Region. **In 2006**, when District 5 merged with District 4 to become the WRJ Atlantic District, the use of the Jeannette Miriam Goldberg Youth Fund was extended to Reform Judaism youth organizations within the entire district.

### **A SPECIAL PART OF DISTRICT #5 HISTORY - JEANNETTE MIRIAM GOLDBERG YOUTH FUND**

At the 5th Biennial Assembly in York (Mrs. Edgar W. Warner, nee Clarice Lavine, President) in 1929, Rabbi Nathan of Philadelphia, a visually handicapped Rabbi, addressed the Assembly concerning the situation prevalent among the Jewish youth at Penn State College. Jewish boys did not want to have to fulfill the college's mandatory requirement of attendance at religious services by attending Christian services. Rabbi Nathan requested that, PFTS assume the responsibility of correcting the situation and arranging for Reform Rabbis in Pennsylvania to travel to Penn State College to conduct Jewish religious services and deliver religious lectures. The 5th Biennial Assembly voted sufficient funds to pay the traveling expenses of Rabbis living within reasonable proximity of the college and authorized additional funds for equipment and maintenance of a meeting place.

At the 7th Biennial Assembly in Scranton (Mrs. Max Grumbacher, President), Dr. Abram Sacher, National Executive Director of Hillel, was the keynote speaker. Mrs. Grumbacher convinced him of the urgent need for a Hillel Chapter at Penn State College and Dr. Sacher agreed to initiate such a chapter. Hillel at Penn State was established in 1935.

In the interim, Jeannette Miriam Goldberg, an active PFTS member, from Temple Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood, Philadelphia, had passed away. During her lifetime, Miss Goldberg had been greatly concerned with the welfare of Jewish youth. Shortly after her death, while PFTS was looking for a fitting memorial to this dedicated woman, the director of Hillel at Penn State College, related the need for a rotating loan fund for Jewish students, and in 1936 the “Jeannette Miriam Goldberg Fund (JMG)” was established. The fund was to be administered by the Hillel Director in cooperation with the PFTS Chairman of the Jeannette Miriam Goldberg Fund. The use of this fund by Penn State College students continued until the early 1950’s when, according to the Director of Hillel, the need for such a student loan fund was no longer necessary.

At that time, PFTS, voted to channel the fund into the recently established Camp Joseph and Betty Harlam at Kresgeville, Pennsylvania, for the purchase of needed permanent camp equipment. Since then it has been the fund for permanent camp equipment and Pennsylvania Federation of Temple Youth (PAFTY) scholarships. JMG was a special fund and consequently, contributions were not a part of the operating budget of NFTS District #5.

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# Fund Donation Acknowledgement Card



WRJ Atlantic District acknowledges a donation to the:

- Jeanette Miriam Goldberg Youth Fund  
 Atlantic District Scholarship Fund

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**Stronger Together**

The **Jeanette Miriam Goldberg Youth Fund** provides funds to the National Federation of Temple Youth & NFTY Mitzvah Corps for leadership development scholarships for teens within the Atlantic District & provides funds for local URJ camps.

The **WRJ Atlantic District Scholarship Fund** provides financial assistance to help women within the Atlantic District receive leadership training by enabling attendance at Atlantic District events.

*Inspired by the Past — Committed to the Future*

