

Over the last nine years, our Foundation has granted almost \$34,000 to the Ezra Center of California to provide kosher meals to seniors in Orange County. Your participation in our Jewish Community Foundation benefits and positively impacts our local institutions.

The Ezra Center of California

For the last 16 years, the Ezra Center has served as a touchpoint for seniors in northern Orange County. With the help of a group of passionate volunteers, this daytime center for active adults provides nutrition, socialization and programming to up to 250 individuals.

The Center believes that healthy, well-motivated and challenged individuals are most likely to be happier and fulfilled. Providing a Kosher Nutrition Program in addition to health assessments and up to nine different activities per week in a warm, safe and caring environment ensures a quality experience for our local seniors.

Sixty to Eighty kosher meals are served each week, with an emphasis on healthy and nutritious options. These meals, available both in the Center or for "take out," enable attendees to obtain at least one nourishing and complete meal several times per week.

Aside from the physical nutrition served, Center participants socialize and eat as a community. Many of these individuals would

otherwise eat alone in their own homes, but through the Center they celebrate holidays and birthdays, play cards and games, and share stories with friends in a consistent and comfortable meeting place.

A Program Committee fully staffed by volunteers presents a wide range of activities and topics at the Ezra Center each week. Programs include Tai Chi, financial and investment strategies, opera and cultural performances, monthly book club meetings, bereavement groups, Torah study and a variety of field trips.

Our Jewish Community Foundation of Orange County is proud to support this exceptional program providing ongoing nutritional, physical and educational support for our active seniors in Orange County.



Passover Seder at the Ezra Center

What's New at the Jewish Community Foundation?



We are pleased to introduce our new Director of Administration, Anice Katz. Anice is a seasoned professional with over 30 years of experience in office administration, management and basic accounting. She previously worked for Freeman/McCue Public Relations as an Office Manager and Administrative Assistant for the last 20 years. While employed at Freeman/McCue Public Relations, Anice managed 30 employees, and she was responsible for human resources, the payroll system, financial reporting, customer service and converting a software financial system during a restructuring period.

Originally from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Anice moved to Southern California many years ago and now resides in Irvine. Both she and her daughter are active members of the Jewish community and belong to Congregation Shir Ha-Ma'alot. Anice's daughter celebrated her Bat Mitzvah last June, and she will be volunteering her time helping to teach Hebrew to young children in the coming year.

As Director of Administration, Anice's responsibilities are diversified and will include overseeing the day-to-day operations of the Foundation and all fund administration. She will be in charge of financial reporting and oversight of the Foundation's annual audit. Anice will serve as the staff representative attending and assisting all committee meetings and the Board of Directors, and she will act as

guardian of the Foundation's current and historical records. She will further act as a Foundation representative conducting business with banks, credit card companies and stock brokers. Most importantly, Anice will be charged with customer service to maintain current and future Foundation participants. She will be a very busy lady.

The other News from the Foundation is that the current Director of Administration, Myrna Shields announced her retirement plans in December, 2011. After 20 years of service Myrna was forced to give notice that she would be leaving the end of 2012, due to vision problems. Myrna realized that this unusual length of notice was necessary to allow time to find a suitable replacement and to allow her time to assist the Foundation in its selection and implementation of the new administrative service. This service will not only give the Foundation's donors the ability to view their accounts online, but they will be able to make contribution requests and change personal information as well.

Myrna will be relocating to Scottsdale, Arizona to enjoy her retirement. She stated she will not miss the work, but she will miss the people. But as most of you know, Myrna cannot just sit, so she will continue her "pet sitting" sideline for friends and acquaintances. In fact, she will be back in California in September 2013, to "baby sit" two dogs for the month. Nice way to retire.

While we will all miss Myrna, the Foundation is fortunate to have found in Anice an experienced, trustworthy, responsible and hard-working

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