

JCFOC GRANT RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT: ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE



JCFOC funded 66 grants to 37 institutions last year. The ADL has received grants from both our General Grants Program as well as the Weissman Arts Grants Program (a joint program of JCFOC and Jewish Federation of Orange County) to enable it to continue its ability to monitor, track and respond to anti-Semitism in the United States.

Regional Director of the ADL in OC since 2016, Rabbi Peter Levi is a veteran Jewish community professional with years of varied experiences in community relations and interfaith affairs. With our spotlight on the grants received by the ADL for education programming, Rabbi Levi shares the impact of these grant dollars in his own words:

“ADL's education programs No Place For Hate® and A World Of Difference Institute is how we proactively create a world without hate. No one is born a bigot. At ADL, we take our experience and expertise and help schools build sustainable, inclusive and healthy campus climates. With JCFOC's support this past 2020/2021 school year, we were able to expand our reach. **Since the Jewish Community Foundation Orange County is our only grant supporting education programming, its continued support will enable us to continue our impact in creating a world without hate in our local schools.**

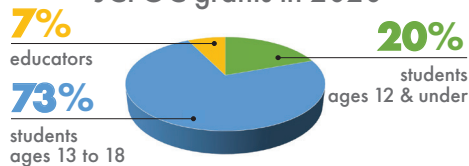
ADL also offers special education training to Jewish and pro-Israel students on how to respond to anti-Semitism and the delegitimization of Israel which is unfortunately all too common on college campuses. In addition to our programs for middle and high school

students, JCFOC funded the Youth Leadership Initiative: Jewish Identity, Israel and the College Campus, a joint project of the ADL and the Rose Project of Jewish Federation of Orange County. The program took 25 high school students through a dynamic eight-week program to learn with experts as they explore their Jewish identity and connection to Israel while gaining knowledge and skills to counter anti-Semitism and Israel delegitimization on their future college campus, on social media, and beyond.

While we hope that our education programming can be preventative, we are often invited into a school in response to an incident of bullying or bigotry. When this happens, we work with a school community to do an assessment of their needs and then create a personalized program to support their community.”

42,783

students and educators from schools throughout Orange County participated in ADL education programs and training funded by JCFOC grants in 2020



PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Cook Elementary School
El Morro Elementary School
Heritage Computer Science Academy
James Guinn Elementary School
Patton Elementary School
Simmons Elementary School
Stanley Elementary School
Top of the World Elementary School
Violette Elementary School

INTERMEDIATE / MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Alamitos Intermediate School
Bell Intermediate School
Don Juan Avila Middle School
Fitz Computer Science Immersion Academy
Jordan Intermediate School
McGarvin Intermediate School
Thurston Middle School
Walton Intermediate School

HIGH SCHOOLS

Aliso Niguel High School
Bolsa Grande High School
Capistrano Valley High School
Costa Mesa High School
Dana Hills High School
Garden Grove High School
La Quinta High School
Laguna Beach High School
Los Amigos High School
Newport Harbor High School
Pacifica High School
Rancho Alamitos High School
San Clemente High School
Santiago High School
Oxford Preparatory Academy

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2020 GRANTS IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

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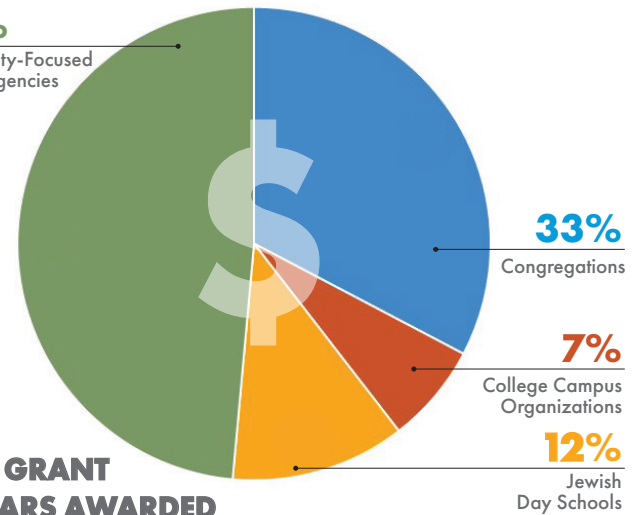
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ORGANIZATIONS

135,990⁺

EXPERIENCES were
funded by **JCFOC grants**
to Orange County Jewish
organizations in 2020.

48%

Community-Focused
Jewish Agencies

**% OF GRANT
DOLLARS AWARDED
BY ORGANIZATION TYPE**

COVID-19 GRANTS

22 COVID-19 grants were distributed to
16 Orange County Jewish institutions.

37% of funds for these COVID-19 relief grants distributed by the JCFOC General Grants committee and Weissman Arts Grants Committee came from individuals responding to our COVID-19 Relief campaign.

Over 3,725 meals, gifts,
shabbat/holiday packages, and COVID supplies
were delivered to OC community members.

1,275 kids, teens, & adults engaged
in **ISRAEL EDUCATION** and Israel-related
programming, enhancing OC's connection
to and knowledge of Israel.

There were over **1,200** culinary adventures
provided through the **Blaze Bernstein School
of Culinary Arts at the Stern Family
Kitchen** at the Merage JCC. The classes and
workshops were often in conjunction with youth camps,
preschool or the JCC's social action team, JCC Cares.

FEMALE EMPOWERMENT

1,432 WOMEN participated in a
variety of programming specifically geared towards
enhancing female empowerment and Jewish identity
while increasing the connections between women in the
Orange County Jewish community.

TOLERANCE EDUCATION

The ADL expanded their reach and impact with anti-hate
programs in **31 schools** throughout Orange County.
With JCFOC grant funding, 35% more students and 78%
more faculty received critical tolerance education.

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