

# Our Shared Sacred Partnership:

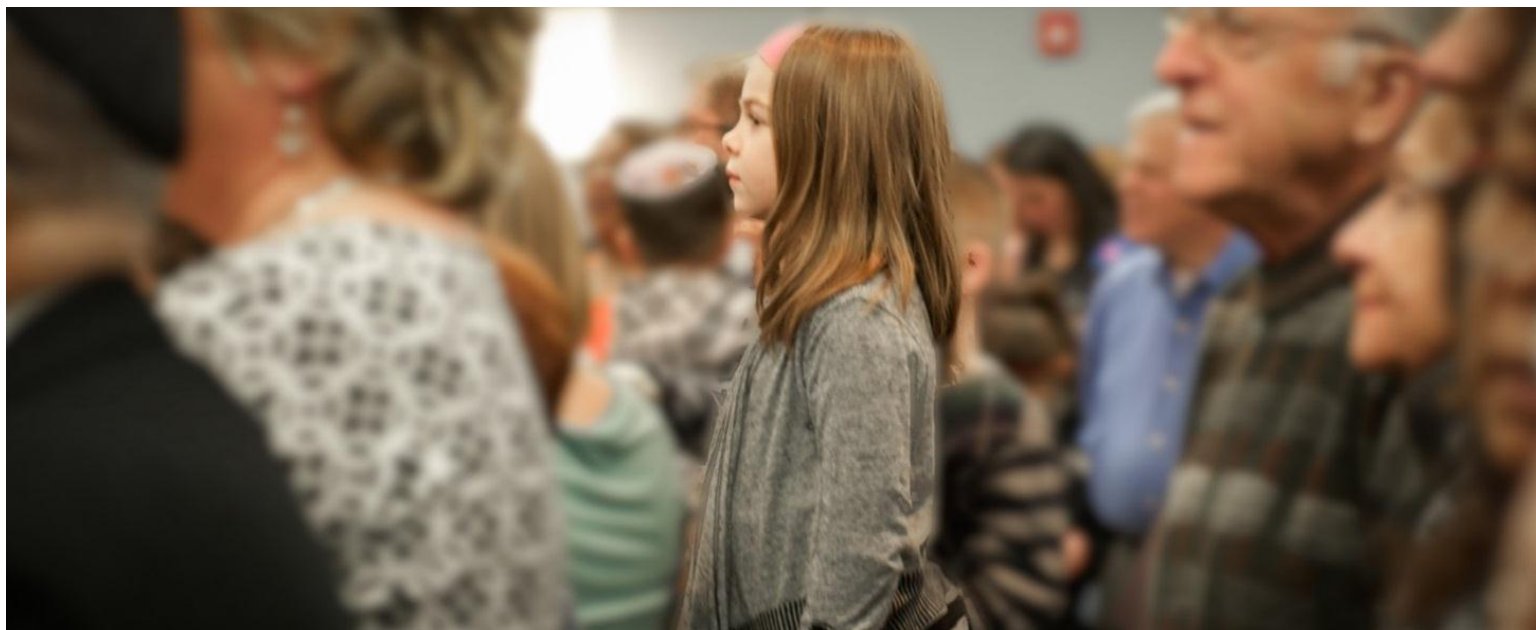
## BJBE's New Self-Directed Membership Program

### Welcome to the BJBE Community!

BJBE is home to a unique and groundbreaking new self-directed membership program. Our Shared Sacred Partnership is based on three commitments:

- 1** **A commitment to meeting our members where they are.** We invite you to reflect on what would be affordable for your family; what would be a meaningful commitment, a gift of the heart; and what will support BJBE's financial needs.
- 2** **A commitment to community.** We are removing financial barriers to membership to attract new families, improve retention, and increase engagement through a self-directed model.
- 3** **A commitment to streamlining requests.** At many synagogues, you receive a separate solicitation for annual giving. At BJBE, your Shared Sacred Partnership commitment includes membership, other annual giving, and High Holy Day tickets. This means fewer distinct financial requests.

Instead of paying assigned dues amounts, each household now has the freedom and responsibility to consider an annual commitment that is meaningful, that is affordable, and that will support BJBE's needs.



# How Our New Self-Directed Membership Program Works

## STEP 1: DISCOVER A NEW SENSE OF BELONGING AT BJBE

We all come to BJBE from different places, seeking different things. We all find a home here. At BJBE, we all belong. Our self-directed membership model is just one way that we welcome all congregants and foster a unique sense of belonging.

Our ultimate goal is to help you find a special sense of belonging and your own special entry point into Jewish life based on your particular passions—so that when you walk through it, your soul will sing, your spirit will soar, and in time, you will come face-to-face with your destiny.

## STEP 2: LEARN MORE ABOUT BJBE

BJBE will provide you with information about our mission, our community, our impact, and the resources required to sustain our institution. We are committed to providing you with the information you need to make an informed giving decision.

## STEP 3: CONSIDER YOUR SHARED SACRED PARTNERSHIP COMMITMENT

We trust members to do what is right for their household and for BJBE and to consider an annual commitment that is affordable, meaningful, and in line with BJBE's financial needs. Our overall goal is for households to contribute on average \$3,100. We know that not all households can afford this amount. If you can give more, please do. Your generosity helps those who cannot give at this level.

## STEP 4: RETURN THE ATTACHED COMMITMENT FORM

Your Shared Sacred Partnership commitment includes membership, other annual giving (formerly Sustaining Gifts), and High Holy Day tickets; this means fewer distinct financial requests. Security fees, educational fees (b'nai mitzvah, JLC, and ECC), building maintenance fund, Sisterhood, some special events, and memorial giving will be paid separately, when applicable

### Ready to join our dynamic, welcoming congregation?

Return your forms by email to Anne Robbin at [arobbin@bjbe.org](mailto:arobbin@bjbe.org) or mail to Congregation BJBE | Attn: Anne Robbin | 1201 Lake Cook Road | Deerfield, IL 60015

Contact Anne Robbin, Membership & Communications Director, with any additional questions at [arobbin@bjbe.org](mailto:arobbin@bjbe.org) or 847.940.7575



## Welcome to BJBE! SHARED SACRED PARTNERSHIP COMMITMENT FORM 2019-2020

We are delighted that you are joining BJBE's sacred and beloved community. We ask that you use this form to make your annual Shared Sacred Partnership commitment at a level that is meaningful, that is affordable, and that will support BJBE's needs.

**Please return these forms either by mail to 1201 Lake Cook Road, Deerfield, IL 60015, by email to [membership@bjbe.org](mailto:membership@bjbe.org) or drop off at BJBE c/o Anne Robbin.**

We are counting on each member to consider a meaningful commitment to our Shared Sacred Partnership. Our overall goal is for households to contribute on average \$3,100. We know that not all households can afford this amount. If you can commit more, please do. Your generosity helps those who cannot commit at this level.

In gratitude for your exemplary support, Partners who commit at the \$3,600 level and above will be recognized in the following categories unless anonymity is requested.

### RECOGNITION LEVELS

Visionaries	\$36,000+
Guardians	\$18,000-\$35,999
Pillars	\$7,200-\$17,999
Supporters	\$5,400-\$7,199
Anchors	\$3,600-\$5,399

Names \_\_\_\_\_

My household's Shared Sacred Partnership commitment for the 2019-20 fiscal year is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Recognition:

- I/we wish to be recognized in donor listings as: \_\_\_\_\_
- I/we wish to remain anonymous.

*(See reverse for payment options.)*

*Please note: fees associated with programs and services outside of your Shared Sacred Partnership commitment (listed on the attached fees page) will be billed separately.*



**Payment Schedule**

- Single annual payment due at time of submission of Shared Sacred Partnership form
- Equal monthly payments
- Equal quarterly payments (July/October/January/April)

We ask that every member pay at least ¼ of your commitment by August 1, so that we may process your High Holy Days tickets.

**Payment Options 2019-2020**

**I/We will pay by:**

- Personal check.
- Credit card. *Please note that this option will incur a 2.5% processing fee for VISA/MasterCard/Discover and 3.5% processing fee for American Express.*

Credit Card Number	Expiration	CVV Number
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

- Automatic deduction payment plan. There is no charge for this service! Payments will be withdrawn on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month according to the payment schedule selected above. Please include a voided check when you return this form, if you select this option.

I/we authorize Congregation B'nai Jehoshua Beth Elohim to initiate debit (withdrawal) entries from my/our checking account according to the schedule and amount listed on this commitment form. I/we acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions must comply with the provisions of U.S. law.

Bank Name	Account Number	Routing Number
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Thank you for making your BJBE Shared Sacred Partnership commitment.**

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- Email to [membership@bjbe.org](mailto:membership@bjbe.org)
- Drop off c/o Anne Robbin at BJBE

## New Member Supplement

*Welcome to BJBE!*

	Adult Member A	Adult Member B
First name, middle initial		
Last name		
Preferred name/nickname		
Hebrew name (if known)		
Home phone		
Cell phone		
Email		
Address (City, State, Zip)		
Second Address <i>(if applicable)</i> From:            To:		
Birthdate		
Anniversary date <i>(if married)</i>		
Religious tradition in which you were raised		
Previous affiliation		
Occupation/Title		
Place of employment		
Business phone		

Please list any relatives who are members of the Congregation BJBE Community and their relationship to you:

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## Children

Name:	Preferred name:	Age:
Birthdate:     /     /	Gender:	School Grade:
Name:	Preferred name:	Age:
Birthdate:     /     /	Gender:	School Grade:
Name:	Preferred name:	Age:
Birthdate:     /     /	Gender:	School Grade:
Name:	Preferred name:	Age:
Birthdate:     /     /	Gender:	School Grade:

## Yahrzeits *Please list those family members whose Yahrzeit (anniversary of death) you would like us to remember.*

Name	Relationship	Date of death <i>(please list secular date)</i>

Which anniversary would you prefer your loved one remembered on?    Secular       Hebrew

To complete your application, please email a family photo to Anne Robbin at [arobbin@bjbe.org](mailto:arobbin@bjbe.org). Please return these forms by:

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## BJBE Fees 2019-2020

The following are additional fees you may incur, when applicable. Fees for some events and programs as well as room rentals are billed separately. If applicable, you will see these fees reflected on your statement.

### Associate Membership

Associate memberships are available to those who remain members in good standing of another congregation and who do not have children enrolled in our Jewish Learning Center. The minimum contribution for an Associate membership is \$550. Associate membership does not include tickets for the High Holy Days.

### Heightened Security Fee

The safety of our members, students, and staff is of the highest priority and remains a serious commitment with the leadership of our congregation. The **Heightened Security Fee of \$190** helps to ensure the safety of those who work, learn, meet, and pray in our beautiful facilities.

### Building Maintenance Fund

New members who have not yet fulfilled this obligation must undertake a minimum commitment of \$3,200 to the BJBE Building Maintenance Fund. This commitment is payable at the rate of \$400 per year for 8 years.

Members under 35 years of age with no children of school age may have their Building Fund commitment deferred upon request until they either have children of school age or the older spouse reaches the age of 35.

### Jewish Learning Center and Chava Center Fees

**BJBE's Early Childhood Program at the Chava Center** provides a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment, thoughtfully designed to facilitate the social, emotional, physical, intellectual, and Judaic growth and development of learners from two to five years old. For more information about our early childhood program offerings and fees, please contact Susie Wexler, Early Childhood Director, at [swexler@bjbe.org](mailto:swexler@bjbe.org) or 847.940.7575.

Our **Jewish Learning Center (JLC)** offers an innovative and deepened approach to Judaic and Hebrew studies. Using the entire BJBE campus as an important tool to creating enriching and meaningful study for our students ages kindergarten through 12th grade, a new and exciting curriculum has emerged. The learning environment reflects the way our students learn today, and includes individualized learning, independent study, and community learning. You must be a member of BJBE to enroll in the JLC.

	Early bird (enrolled and paid in full before June 30)	After June 30
JLC Sunday	\$485	\$510
JLC Sunday & AfterSchool	\$1160	\$1210
Chai School	\$485	\$510
11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> Grades	\$180	\$180

### Bar/Bat Mitzvah Fee

There is a \$1500 Bar/Bat Mitzvah fee which covers the prayer class, tutoring, and instruction your child will receive during the eight months prior to the ceremony. Also included in this fee is a portion of Oneg Shabbat on Friday night, the bimah flowers, and a small Kiddush following the Saturday service. In addition, the fee from the company providing security staff at Bar/Bat Mitzvah services & related celebratory events will be passed through to the family.

*Please contact Sally Sachar at [ssachar@bjbe.org](mailto:ssachar@bjbe.org) or 847.940.7575 with any questions regarding BJBE fees. All fees are subject to modification by the Congregation at an appropriate meeting.*