

JAFCO Miami Chapter's "Live Love Lunch" Honors Judith Katzen, Raises Support for Children and Families in Need

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The **JAFCO Miami Chapter** hosted its annual **Live Love Lunch luncheon** at the University of Miami Shalala Center, bringing together supporters to raise funds and awareness for children and families impacted by abuse, neglect, trauma, and developmental disabilities.

The event honored longtime JAFCO supporter **Judith Katzen** for her continued dedication to the organization's mission of providing safety, stability, and critical services to vulnerable children and families. As Judith said, "Every child has potential and is unique. If we lose one child from neglect, we lose the opportunity to discover their unique impact on the world."

The program featured a boutique and auction, luncheon, and remarks highlighting JAFCO's impact across South Florida. JAFCO alumnus Josh, who now resides in New York City where he will be completing a Master's Degree program in Social Work shared the impact the community has had on his life. "I am standing here because people I never met decided to care about a child they would never know. What you do here today ripples far beyond this ballroom. It creates safety, possibility, and futures."



L-R: Rabbi Jonathan Fisch and Rabbi Judith Siegal from Temple Judea, Rabbi Rachel G. Greengrass from Temple Beth Am

Proceeds from the event will benefit JAFCO's residential care, foster and adoption services, and family support programs across all four of JAFCO's sites.

About JAFCO:

JAFCO's mission is to provide care, safety and support to children and their families within the Jewish community and beyond who are impacted by abuse, neglect, trauma, or developmental disabilities...giving every child a place to belong. Visit www.jafco.org.