



**Jewish Family Services**  
Holocaust Survivor Program



# UPDATE

## AUGUST 2023

*Because of your compassion and generosity, Gulf Coast JFCS Jewish Family Services Division assisted more than 4,600 people throughout the Tampa Bay region this past year.*

*You helped **uplift lives** by:*

- Assisting **276 Holocaust survivors** with essential living support such as home care, transportation needs, dental and medical assistance, and social support.
- Supporting **food security for more than 2,000 people** through grocery cards and other food staples through the William and Sally Israel Food Pantry.
- Providing social support via **weekly phone calls with 96 seniors** desiring social connection through the CHATS program.
- Providing emergency assistance for **200 people** helping them with rent, utilities, or light home repair.

### **Holocaust Survivor Urgent Care Fund 2023 Update**

Gulf Coast JFCS' Holocaust Survivor Program helps survivors live safely and comfortably with dignity in their homes for as long as possible.

**30% of Holocaust survivors live below the poverty line.**

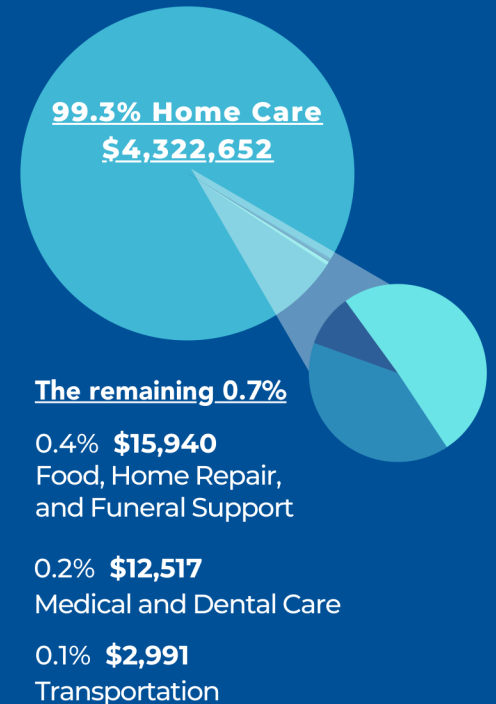
The **Holocaust Survivor Urgent Care Fund** was established to bridge the funding gap for urgently needed homecare and other vital support for Holocaust survivors to preserve their dignity and independence for as long as remains safe. Your generosity has:

- Funded an additional 1,900 hours of weekly vital in-home care for 180 survivors.
- Supported welcoming 44 new survivors needing assistance.
- Funded dental repair for 13 survivors.

*"When I came home from the hospital I was so, so frightened. I am appreciative of all the help."*

**Dina,**  
Holocaust Survivor & Client

### HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR PROGRAM FY23 EXPENDITURES



## HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR URGENT CARE FUND

Fiscal Year 23 Funds Raised:  
\$200k



Kavod SHEF Match:  
\$200k

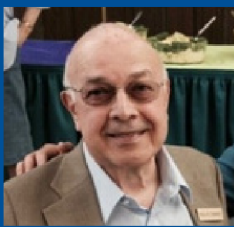
**= \$400k in Total Assistance to Holocaust Survivors in Fiscal Year 23**

# JUST A FEW OF THE MANY LIVES YOU'VE UPLIFTED



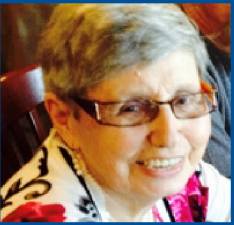
*"I feel that I have someone to talk to about my situation freely and openly without being afraid. I have company. I have a smile again."*

Now in his 80s, Haim is grateful for the weekly support he receives from Gulf Coast JFCS through the Friendly Visitor program. Community volunteers provide social support together with other support from case managers, home care providers, and transportation services to support Haim's daily needs.



While no longer able to drive, Paul remains eager to retain as much independence as possible.

Through the Holocaust Survivor Urgent Care Fund, Paul received both a motorized scooter and needed hearing aids giving him the tools to live with more independence and dignity.



*"When I came home from the hospital I was so, so frightened to try to get up by myself. I fall easily. The extra home care at night took away my fears as I had someone right with me until I could get my strength back. The lift chair is still helpful to me, I use it every day. I am appreciative of all the help."*

After her husband's death, Dina's health rapidly declined. In addition to multiple health issues, she suffered from depression and loneliness. Funding from the Holocaust Survivor Urgent Care Fund provided much-needed in-home care for Dina.

Bronya is nearly blind but living independently with the assistance of Gulf Coast JFCS coordinated homecare assistance. Her home flooded during the hurricane, resulting in the need for all new floors and baseboards and extensive drywall repair, totaling nearly \$20,000.

The Holocaust Survivor Urgent Care Fund made these repairs possible so she could continue living in her home where she knows the layout and can maneuver safely.

After Hurricane Ian caused extensive roof damage to the home of Llya, he was told repairs were not enough. He needed a new roof. While Llya had insurance, he was unable to afford his high deductible.

Through the assistance fund, his roof was replaced so he could return back to his home he had built with his family.

## WE ARE GRATEFUL TO OUR LOCAL PARTNERS:



The Jewish Federation  
OF FLORIDA'S GULF COAST



Tampa  
JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTERS  
& FEDERATION

## JUST ANNOUNCED -

## ADDITIONAL \$100K DONATION MATCH OPPORTUNITY

We are so grateful to help more survivors with this match!

Scan to  
learn more:



Please help us spread the word so we can meet this match by Dec. 31, 2023.

## YOUR SUPPORT WILL PROVIDE:



42 SURVIVORS NEEDING  
NEARLY 2,000 HOURS OF SERVICES

= \$53K

WEEKLY COST OF  
ADDITIONAL SERVICES