

2024 IMPACT REPORT

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National Council of Jewish Women New York



Turning Progressive Jewish  
Ideals Into Action

# Who We Are

NCJW NY strives for social justice for historically excluded and underserved individuals and families in New York City and state. Our hands-on approach combines direct social services—to alleviate the effects of inequity—and passionate, focused advocacy to make lasting systemic change for the future.

## *We Are Committed To...*

- *Responding Today:* We provide direct support that is empowering, impactful, and of the moment.
- *Creating a Better Tomorrow:* We engage in strategic activism to advance systemic change in NYC and beyond, fighting for economic and reproductive justice for women.
- *Honoring Yesterday:* Inspired by Jewish values, we stand on the shoulders of the visionary women who founded our organization 130 years ago.
- *Valuing One Another:* Everyone in our vibrant community—from staff and volunteers to donors and those we serve—is welcomed, understood, and appreciated for their individual worth and the tangible contributions they can make to help fulfill our mission.
- *Making Change Happen:* By mobilizing the skills, ideas, energy, and compassion of our community, we can make our city and our world a more equitable place.

**NCJW NY: MAKING CHANGE HAPPEN, FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION**

## A Message from the Co-Presidents and Executive Director



*From left to right: Wendy Hashmall, Andrea Salwen Kopel, Karol Todrys*

Dear NCJW NY community,

For so many of us, this past year has been extraordinarily difficult. At times, we've felt despair, anger, and fear for the future, often caused by events completely out of our control. We want you to know that in these difficult times, **NCJW NY is here for you.**

The NCJW NY community can not only be a source of comfort, healing, and solidarity but also a catalyst for change. Inspired by our Jewish values, NCJW NY provides so many opportunities to serve, advocate, and learn as we strive to meet the needs of historically underserved New Yorkers. When you partner with us to turn your progressive ideals into action, you can be assured that you are making a real impact.

*As you read through this report, we hope you feel just as proud as we do of our accomplishments in 2024, which your partnership and investment have made possible. We also hope you will be inspired by the incredible people highlighted in this report who are all crucial members of the thriving NCJW NY community. As we look at 2025 and beyond, we know that there will be more challenges ahead. But we also know that together, we can continue to **make change happen.** Thank you for being there with us.*

In gratitude,

Andrea Salwen Kopel  
Executive Director

Wendy Hashmall  
Co-President

Karol Todrys  
Co-President

## Hear from Our Community

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*Ilene Marquardt,  
Board member and volunteer*

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*Katherine Yang and Jack Chan,  
Hunger Program volunteers*

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*Alexandra Granados,  
Client and volunteer*

When I first spoke to my phone counselor, it was so helpful to both talk to someone and hear from someone who went through the same thing. I realized I wasn't alone.

*Esther Casas Roura,  
PLSP alumna and counselor*

She knew about the importance of choice and how giving a child the opportunity to choose what interested them could make a huge difference in their self-esteem.

*Jill Sorkin Johnson,  
NCJW NY supporter, on her mother, the late  
Faith E. Sorkin, Back 2 School Store and Children's  
Literacy Program volunteer*

## Advocating for Systemic Change

In 2024, we mobilized our community of fierce advocates to pass the ballot amendment known as Prop 1, the New York Equal Rights Amendment.

And our efforts paid off. **On election day, over 60% of New Yorkers voted to adopt Prop 1.**

Prop 1 will enshrine the right to abortion in New York's constitution. It will also protect LGBTQ+ rights, protect against age discrimination, and protect those with disabilities. We are so proud, and so grateful, that so many of you joined us in this effort. **Thanks to you, we've successfully added another layer of protection to our freedoms.**



*From left to right: Nancy Kaufman (New York Jewish Agenda), Rabbi Rebecca Rosenthal (Central Synagogue), State Senator Liz Krueger, Dr. Gillian Dean (Planned Parenthood of Greater NY), and NCJW NY Executive Director Andrea Salwen Kopel participating in a panel discussion about Prop 1 at Central Synagogue*

### Here are just some of the ways Jews for Repro NY organized in 2024:

- Mobilized hundreds of advocates who made over 1,000 phone-banking calls and sent 5,000 postcards in support of Prop 1.
- Brought 30 advocates to Albany to meet with 25 elected officials, encouraging them to support various bills expanding and protecting reproductive healthcare access in New York.
- Hosted or co-sponsored 40 events or initiatives with over 35 synagogues, Jewish communal groups, and advocacy partners around New York City, Long Island, and Westchester.
- Our teen group, Abortion Access Advocates, hosted four events including an educational panel and a hands-on volunteer opportunity where they packed abortion aftercare kits for a Bronx-based abortion clinic.

Our momentum is growing, and we're not planning on slowing down any time soon. We've achieved real victories this year, but the need for our work is still great. As we look to 2025, we will continue to come together proudly as Jews for Repro NY to fight for reproductive justice and remind everyone that abortion bans are against our religion.

***Your partnership buoys us as we gear up for the next stage in the fight for reproductive justice!***

## Alexandra Granados: Client, Volunteer, and Friend of NCJW NY

Alexandra Granados wears many hats at NCJW NY. She first came to eat at the Community Kitchen after migrating from Ecuador in 2023. In her early days of living in New York, she and her family resided in a city-run shelter for new migrants.

“Coming here made me like this country more. It became like a second home. I came from a lot of hardship before I arrived in the U.S., so being here made me feel a sense of family.”

Alexandra soon began to take advantage of the various services NCJW NY offers. She participates in ESL classes run in partnership with the Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Affairs. She has taken painting classes through Council Lifetime Learning and has attended workshops on personal finance. And, she gives back to our community as a volunteer – both at the Hunger Program and at this year’s Back 2 School Store.

“I like how the kids get to feel like they’re actually in a store. They can say, ‘I want this – I don’t want that.’ Sometimes, a parent might influence their child into choosing something, but when it’s just me and the child, I feel like I can help them be independent and encourage them to choose what they like.” Alexandra’s nephew attended this year’s Store as well. “He left very happy,” she said, proudly.

Alexandra finds fulfillment both in participating in NCJW NY programs and volunteering. “When I first came here, I had very little. Karla [Ignacio, NCJW NY’s Hunger Program Caseworker and Coordinator] helped set me up with everything I needed. I received so much from that, but I also receive so much when I volunteer. I experience the same feelings of love, companionship, and community when volunteering that I do when participating as a client, and receiving that both ways has really impacted me.”

Alexandra, who left the shelter and moved into an apartment with her family two months ago, described how being a part of the NCJW NY community impacted her on a deeper level.



*Alexandra in NCJW NY’s kitchen*

**“When I came to this country, I thought people were very cold and that they would keep their distance from me. Coming here changed my perspective on the people from this country, because I received a lot of help here. I told other people from the shelter to come here, eat, and receive support, too. Karla was able to help them with so much.”**

When asked to describe her experience at NCJW NY in one word, Alexandra didn’t hesitate: **“Maravillosa,” she said. Marvelous.**

*Special thanks to NCJW NY’s social work intern, Alma De Los Santos, for assisting in translations.*

# Our Hunger Program is about More than Just Food

Hundreds of New Yorkers rely on NCJW NY's Hunger Program each week. In the last 12 months, we:

- Served over **313,000 meals** at the Food Pantry and Community Kitchen.
- Engaged **over 100 volunteers** in the Food Pantry and Community Kitchen.
- Served **more than 2,500 New Yorkers** from all racial and religious backgrounds with life-sustaining nutrition.



*A volunteer preparing plates of food for guests at the Community Kitchen*

But our Hunger Program is about more than just food. It's about providing holistic services, resources, and support to help our clients reach a higher level of health, well-being, and economic stability.

In March, our staff team noticed an influx of newly arrived asylum seekers in need of essential hygiene products. At NCJW NY, we're constantly adapting to the needs of our clients, and this moment was no different. We organized an essential needs drive and collected hygiene items (like shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, detergent, and more) from supporters like you. **We distributed 55 essential needs packs directly to our clients.** You helped us make an immediate impact on the lives of those in our community who needed it most.

**We held a variety of events throughout 2024 focusing on our clients' holistic needs, including:**

- Financial literacy classes and nutrition workshops, both in partnership with the Food Bank for New York City.
- Services specifically aimed at our female clients because we know the task of feeding the family often falls on women. These include a menstrual product drive and a spa day.
- A resource fair bringing services including flu vaccines, self-defense classes, hearing tests, and a CPR workshop.

We also guide our clients through the often confusing system of benefits and entitlements. Our Hunger Program Coordinator and Caseworker works one-on-one with our clients to connect them to various benefits like Medicaid, SNAP (a.k.a. Food Stamps), reduced fare Metrocards, and more.

***With you by our side, we will maintain our unbroken record of never turning anyone away who needs our Hunger Program! Thank you for allowing us to continue doing this life-changing work together!***

## Katherine Yang and Jack Chan: A Mother and Son Volunteer Team Making an Impact

One day in 2022, Jack, now a senior in high school, asked his mom, Katherine, why a growing line of people appeared every Monday morning on West 72nd Street. Katherine informed him that the line was for the NCJW NY Food Pantry.

"It really struck a chord with me. It was so close by, and I'd seen it for many years and not known what it was," said Jack, who with the rest of his family call the Upper West Side home.

In response, Jack and Katherine decided to start volunteering with NCJW NY. For two years, both have come regularly to the Hunger Program to serve. Katherine volunteers at the Food Pantry and Sunday Kitchen. Jack volunteers with Katherine at the Sunday Kitchen or comes to the Wednesday Kitchen, depending on where the need is greater.

"My husband and I are both first-generation Americans," said Katherine. "Both our parents emigrated here – mine from Taiwan, and my husband's parents from mainland China. They did not come from a lot of means, spoke no English, and didn't have their own community here. Jack and his sisters have life a little bit easier than their grandparents did, and it's important for us to step back and teach our kids about the importance of community." The Hunger Program was the perfect fit.

Katherine went on: "We're big eaters. Food is a huge part of our lives. Our family doesn't really emote much, so the way we show love to each other is by asking, 'Are you hungry?' or 'Can I feed you?' There's something very warm and comforting about food, besides being a basic need. So, it made sense for us to direct our energy to volunteering at the Hunger Program."

"I actually love to cook," said Jack. "And I love cooking specifically for people. I've always loved the feeling of serving food to someone and seeing them enjoy it. It's the same kind of feeling I get here when I serve someone a hot meal at the Community Kitchen."



*Jack and Katherine in NCJW NY's Café, where the Food Pantry and Community Kitchen take place*

Jack and Katherine also spoke about the significance of sharing this experience with each other. "It's really nice to share something with her that's outside of the other things we share with my sisters and my dad," said Jack. "Every week, being able to come here, just the two of us has really brought us closer together."

Katherine agreed. "It's 'me and Jack' time that isn't device driven, it's community driven. We really enjoy serving our community alongside fellow NCJW NY volunteers who tirelessly commit to this work every week."

**"There is a lot going on in my life right now," said Jack, who is in the midst of figuring out what he wants to do when he graduates this spring. "But being able to come here regularly – it really brings me back and centers me, just knowing that I can help someone and make their day."**

Jack and Katherine have already done so much to contribute by being consistent volunteers to the NCJW NY Hunger Program for two years, but Jack wanted to increase his impact. This fall, he is rallying his friends and others in his school community to raise funds for the program. We are so grateful and inspired!



# Healthy Aging for New York's Seniors

## Council Lifetime Learning

According to a recent study by the National Academies for Science, Engineering, and Medicine, poor social relationships – characterized by social isolation or loneliness – have been associated with a 29 percent increased risk of heart disease and a 32 percent increased risk of stroke. While loneliness affects people of all ages, the study found that nearly a quarter of adults older than 65 suffer from social isolation.

At NCJW NY, we seek to combat The Loneliness Epidemic facing New York's seniors through our innovative and unique Council Lifetime Learning Program.



*Prospective Council Lifetime Learning students gather for a demo of "Art Journal Making" class at the 2024 Open House*

### Since the start of 2024:

- We welcomed over 300 seniors to Council Lifetime Learning's more than 30 classes covering creative arts, performing arts, exercise and wellness, discussion, and more.
- We welcomed more than 75 seniors to our Fall Council Lifetime Learning Open House, more than a third of whom were completely new to Council House.
- We held the first Spring Art Show, giving our art students the opportunity to showcase and sell their beautiful creations to our Upper West Side community.

Council Lifetime Learning's high-quality classes are on par with other neighborhood options, but at a fraction of the cost. We provide scholarships for those who cannot afford even our low fees, because we believe that income should never be a barrier to learning, growing, and creating community with other seniors.

## LINC (Lunch, Interaction, Nurturing, and Companionship)

The LINC (Lunch, Interaction, Nurturing, and Companionship) program continues to offer a unique community for elders experiencing memory loss and dementia. Clients attend together with their caregivers – both home health aides and family caregivers. Much more than just adult daycare, the program aims to increase mental alertness and positive self-expression for participants while building community and reducing isolation for both the participants and the caregivers.

In 2024, LINC served a roster of about 25 families. We intentionally keep LINC more intimate to allow facilitators to employ individualized strategies for each client.

Over the decades, we have established ourselves as a resource for professionals working in the fields of eldercare and memory loss. We continue to create new partnerships in these fields and create new opportunities for professionals to come together and learn.

“He is at his best when he's at LINC.”

*A caregiver about a LINC client*

## Ilene Marquardt: From *Woman Who Dares* to Volunteer to NCJW NY Board Member

In 2017, Ilene Marquardt got a call from NCJW NY Board member, and former *Woman Who Dares* Award honoree, Elaine Mandelbaum. Elaine and Ilene had crossed professional paths many times.

“She asked me if I had any interest in becoming more involved with NCJW NY and becoming an honoree myself. I was aware of NCJW NY because my mom was a member of the Essex Section in New Jersey, but I wasn’t really familiar with NCJW NY. Elaine suggested I come to that year’s Gala so I could get a better idea of what NCJW NY was all about.” Ilene, who has been an attorney in the securities industry for more than 30 years, did just that.

“The 2017 Gala really did pump me up to accept the *Woman Who Dares* Award and learn more about NCJW NY.” Ilene signed on for the 2018 Gala and spent the next year learning about everything that happens here at Council House.

“I began to understand that NCJW NY was about advocacy and Jewish values, but was also about community programming, which really struck me. I was able to tour the building with Andrea [Salwen Kopel, NCJW NY Executive Director], and I remember stumbling in on a very animated book club discussion on one floor, seeing students making mosaics during a Council Lifetime Learning class on another floor, and seeing the Food Pantry take place in the café, all simultaneously...It gave me a real sense of the organization, and I felt like it really lined up with how I felt about the importance of giving back to the community.”



*Ilene shopping with a Back 2 School student at the 2023 Store*

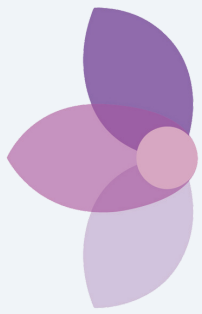
Ilene stayed connected with NCJW NY after the 2018 Gala, volunteering at the Food Pantry and the Back 2 School Store. “Hunger and the Back 2 School Store really resonate with me,” she said. “I was volunteering at the Food Pantry mainly during the COVID-19 pandemic, and I felt like we were a crucial service to the community. We were doing our part and getting our hands dirty, making a real impact.”

“With the Back 2 School Store, I’ve always liked volunteering with children. I was a little nervous going into my first Store as a personal shopper, but once you start to warm up, you realize how great an experience it is. You really create relationships with each kid you work with and see how excited they are to pick out their clothes. One year, my husband and all three of my kids and their significant others all volunteered. It was so fun and fulfilling for our whole family.”

Ilene always thought about pursuing Board service at NCJW NY, but the timing wasn’t right until this year. Now, she’s excited to jump into Board service using her unique skills to help NCJW NY build off our already indelible impact. “Focusing on manageable growth is a really good way to think about the future. We want to build on the programs we have, growing them to have greater impact,” she said.

**“Overall, NCJW NY really reflects who I am – the advocacy and community programming really align with my values,” Ilene went on to say. “Plus, we have great people here – from staff to other board members. It’s a quality organization, and I’m excited to learn even more by serving on the Board.”**

# Forty Years of Pregnancy Loss Support



## PREGNANCY LOSS SUPPORT PROGRAM

for Miscarriage, Stillbirth,  
and Newborn Death

This fall, we commemorated forty years of the Pregnancy Loss Support Program (PLSP), which was established in 1984 by NCJW NY volunteers who recognized a gap in support for parents experiencing this devastating and often misunderstood type of loss.

Although the stigma surrounding pregnancy loss is slowly eroding, thanks in part to the openness of public figures and celebrities sharing their own stories, we still have so far to go in eradicating the stigma for good. The need for PLSP remains strong.

This year, we broadened our outreach efforts, with the help of a graduate social work intern from Hunter College's Silberman School of Social Work, allowing us to reach more parents who needed our support. So far in 2024, we served **160+ families with our innovative peer support model**. In October – Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month – we welcomed PLSP participants and alumni to Council House to discuss healing modalities after a pregnancy loss with author Elizabeth Schmermund and filmmaker Esther Casas Roura (you can read more about Esther on page 10). Attendees also participated in a candle-lighting and memorial ceremony to honor the pregnancy and infant losses they experienced.

***Thank you for partnering with us to raise awareness about pregnancy loss while providing unparalleled support to those facing this reality.***

## Helping Students Feel Excited and Prepared for School

### The Children's Literacy Program

The Children's Literacy Program (CLP) aims to engage children in a lifelong love of books and reading, helping to boost literacy skills and close the gap in school performance for children in low-income communities. We send teams of volunteer tutors to after-school programs at partner agencies, where they work one-on-one with children throughout the school year. We're excited to continue expanding this program into different neighborhoods across New York City and are ramping up our efforts to recruit and engage volunteers from within each site's community. This year, we introduced our first Reading Tutors site outside of Manhattan in partnership with BronxWorks.

Overall, during the 2023-2024 school year, we tutored **48 children at three partner sites**.

## Esther Casas Roura: Using PLSP and Art to Heal After Loss

Esther Casas Roura used one word repeatedly to describe the experience of coping with her pregnancy loss: Silence.

“People have no idea what to say to you. It makes you not want to talk about it, and if you do end up talking about it, you meet this wall of silence. People just freeze.”

Esther experienced a pregnancy loss over 10 years ago and knew right away she needed additional support. Specifically, she needed someone she could talk to.

**“I was searching on the internet and found PLSP (the Pregnancy Loss Support Program). It was so overwhelming at first because it was my first time grieving like that. But when I first spoke to my phone counselor, it was so helpful to both talk to someone and hear from someone who went through the same thing. I realized I wasn’t alone.”**



*Esther Casas Roura at Council House*

PLSP’s unique model utilizes professionally trained peer support counselors, all of whom have been through the program themselves. This allows new clients to form connections with people they can relate to, creating pathways to healing.

Years after Esther finished her counseling, she decided that she, too, wanted to pursue becoming a peer counselor with PLSP. “I had gotten to a point where I felt strong enough and that I understood my grief better. At that point, I decided to put my energy into being a counselor and helping others.”

But Esther’s transition from client to counselor did not mark the end of her healing journey. “The healing never stops – the grief comes in waves. Being a counselor has allowed me to revive my story. Sometimes, it hits harder than others, and it can feel like a surprise. But that’s just a signal I still need to talk about it. So really, it’s a win-win; I know I’m helping someone else heal while continuing to heal myself.”

Esther transitioned away from her background in cancer research to her true passion, filmmaking, in 2006. She loved animation and solidified her background as a director. Her recent film, *Flocky*, is about her experience with stillbirth.

“Writing and creating this film helped me heal. I felt like I needed people to understand my pain, because that is something unique about this experience – no one understands your pain. When you break your leg, people understand what that feels like – but they don’t understand the pain of pregnancy loss.”

While working on *Flocky*, multiple people who worked with her on the film pulled her aside and shared their own pregnancy loss story with her. “Before it even came out, I already knew this film was doing what I wanted it to do: helping people heal.”

After making *Flocky* and continuing her work with PLSP, Esther realized something important: “The silence went away. The door opened to understanding my own feelings, as well as understanding others. When you go through this, feeling understood is the most important feeling you can have.”

# Helping Students Feel Excited and Prepared for School (continued)

## The Back 2 School Store

The 2024 Back 2 School Store was our most successful yet! Over four days, we served **316 students** from low-income families – **40 percent more children than in 2023**. Each student was paired with a volunteer “personal shopper,” and traversed through the Council House pop-up department store, selecting a full outfit and a backpack filled with school supplies and books – all brand new and all free of charge. We engaged **250 volunteers** at this year’s store, including groups sent by our corporate partners, VitaCoco and Morgan Stanley.

In total, we welcomed 14 partner sites, including two new sites, to the Store. We also welcomed families from our Hunger Program to shop, serving 26 Hunger Program children and continuing to make strides toward our goal of making Council House a center for holistic care and support.



*A student leads her personal shopper through the 2024 Back 2 School Store*

This exciting pilot sub-program of the Back 2 School Store employs a “community closet” model designed to support migrant and unhoused families. This initiative will bring essential items such as clothing, shoes, winter coats, and accessories directly to those in need throughout the year, alleviating stress and enabling students to focus on their education.

Little Learners’ Locker kicked off this fall right here at Council House as well as at our partner site, Union Settlement.

***We are grateful for your commitment to leveling the educational playing field for students in New York City through our Back 2 School Store & our Children’s Literacy Program!***

## After the 2024 Store...

**99%**

of parents said the quality of items at the Back 2 School Store was “Excellent” or “Good.”

**96%**

of parents said the Back 2 School Store helped their child feel more excited for school.

**99%**

of parents said they would bring their child to participate in the Store again.

In our city, school absenteeism, often brought on by school-related anxiety, is climbing. The Back 2 School Store combats this, not just by providing material goods to our student participants – but by helping student feel excited, confident, and prepared for school. This year, we introduced student surveys (alongside already existing parent/guardian surveys) for the first time to ensure we can continue to adapt the Store to provide the best experience possible.

The need for clothing and school supplies exists year-round, so we have created a new initiative: **Little Learners’ Locker**.

## Jill Sorkin Johnson: Honoring Her Mother's NCJW NY Legacy

When Jill Sorkin Johnson and her husband moved to Hoboken, NJ in the early 1990s, she got involved right away in the Hoboken Section of NCJW, eventually becoming co-president. When they moved to Montclair, NJ, she became involved in the Essex County Section, also serving as president from 2010 to 2012, and chairing the Back 2 School Store there in 2016 and 2017.

Back in the mid-1990s, her late mother, Faith Sorkin, joined a bereavement support group for widows at NCJW NY. Later, Faith started volunteering as a Children's Literacy Program (CLP) tutor, and eventually took on a leadership role, chairing the CLP volunteer committee.



*Faith and her grandsons*

"My mom had been a teacher her whole life, specifically for special education students, so the Literacy Program was right up her alley," said Jill.

Faith found NCJW NY at a turning point in her life.

"My father passed away in 1987. My parents' desire always was to sell their house in Brooklyn and move to Manhattan, so around ten years later, my mom did that herself. She created her life on the Upper West Side and NCJW NY became a part of that," said Jill. "When she needed to find a 'what next,' turning to the Children's Literacy Program to utilize her professional expertise, and her passion for education, was the perfect option."

The importance of education was a guiding value for Jill's entire family. "Both my parents were New York City public school educators, so valuing education was deep inside all of us," Jill said.

It was unsurprising, then, when Faith also started volunteering at the Back 2 School Store – first with Jill at Essex County Section, and then with NCJW NY when we started our own version of the program in 2015. Faith's philosophy around reading and education meshed perfectly with NCJW NY's approach to literacy and school readiness.

**"She was really big on telling a child that there was no such thing as a 'boy book' or a 'girl book', or a 'boy coat' or a 'girl coat,'" Jill said. "She knew about the importance of choice and how giving a child the opportunity to choose what interested them could make a huge difference in their self-esteem."**

In late 2023, Faith passed away, and Jill turned to NCJW NY to honor her memory, creating the Faith E. Sorkin Memorial Fund to benefit NCJW NY's children's programming. The creation of the Fund will allow us to continue pursuing the education-related values Faith held closest to her, expanding and strengthening our programs to be even more accessible to students around New York City.

"I wrote in my mom's eulogy that she embraced a life of *tikkun olam* – making the world better than she found it. She imparted on my brother and me, and especially on her three grandsons, that this is our purpose. These programs meant so much to her, and I wanted to be able to ensure they could continue to operate and thrive," said Jill. "Even though she couldn't be here to see the formation of the fund, I know that she would be proud."

# Get Involved

**Join the NCJW NY community of change-makers as we make an impact in our city.**

## Our Volunteers

NCJW NY engages **over 400 volunteers** every year. Whether it's working with kids as a personal shopper during the Back 2 School Store, helping to plan a lobby day in Albany for reproductive justice, or serving clients fresh produce and shelf-stable groceries at the Food Pantry, there are countless ways to get involved as a volunteer. Our volunteers do much more than pack food bags or lick envelopes: they partner with our staff and take on leadership roles to create real change.

## Learn About Volunteer Opportunities

Visit us online at [ncjwny.org/volunteer](https://ncjwny.org/volunteer)

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