



SHANA TOVA! JPAC wishes a happy and sweet new year to our member organizations, partners, colleagues, and to all California legislators on both sides of the aisle. We look forward to working together in the new year as we continue to advocate on issues of concern to California's Jewish community and all of its citizens.

SAVE THE DATE FOR JPAC ADVOCACY DAY 2020!

Join us in Sacramento on April 27-28, 2020

Hundreds of advocates from across California will come together in Sacramento for two days of networking, learning, and lobbying on issues of importance to the California Jewish community and the community at large.

Early Bird Registration will open November 1.

For more information about Advocacy Day, please visit our website:

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JPAC HELPS TO SECURE \$80 MILLION IN THE STATE BUDGET FOR PROGRAMS THAT IMPACT OUR COMMUNITIES

Continuing our legislative success of 2018, JPAC saw great legislative success in Sacramento this year. We helped to secure over \$80 million in the State Budget for a variety of programs that impact our diverse communities:

- Nonprofit security grants - \$15 million: Included in the May Revise: The California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program, administered by the Office of Emergency Services, provides support for target hardening and other physical security enhancements to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of a terrorist attack, particularly from hate crimes based on ideology and beliefs.

- LA Holocaust Museum - \$6 million: The May Revision included \$6 million one-time General Fund to the Arts Council for the Los Angeles Museum of the Holocaust. The museum is the oldest survivor-founded museum in the United States and houses a large collection of artifacts donated by Holocaust survivors. The museum is expanding in Pan Pacific Park and the \$6 million will assist with this effort.
- JPAC ask to rebuild Jewish camps - \$23.5 million: The Budget Bill included \$23.5 million one-time for local assistance for capital outlay to the Wilshire Blvd Temple Camps (Camp Hess Kramer and Gindling Hilltop Camp), the Shalom Institute Camp and Conference Center, and Camp Newman in Santa Rosa.
- Rapid Response Program (Immigration Funding - San Diego) - \$24,325,000. AB 74 - the Budget Bill, included \$24,325,000 for the Rapid Response Program. The Legislature passed the 2019-20 Budget Act on June 13, two days ahead of the constitutional deadline. The Budget Bill (AB 74) was signed into law on June 27th.
- MSSP cost of living increase - \$14.8 million: The budget bill - AB 74 includes \$14.8 million additional funding for the Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP). This one-time appropriation would be spent over the next three budget years.

JPAC LEGISLATIVE REVIEW 2019

JPAC's Legislative Agenda for 2019 included Aging With Dignity, Addressing Hate Crimes, and Ending Deep poverty. Below are the details of the legislation that we supported:

Aging with Dignity

California's over age 65 population is projected to grow significantly, increasing from 4.2 million in 2010 to more than 6 million by 2020 and will double to 8.4 million by 2030. JPAC has a long history of advocating on behalf of critical social service programs that serve those members of our community most in need.

SB 228 (Jackson) Master Plan on Aging: The bill creates the framework for a Master Plan for an Aging California that empowers all Californians to age with dignity, choice and independence. SB 228 (Jackson) passed both houses and was concurred in, it is now being enrolled and on its way to the Governor's desk.

AB 1382 (Aguiar-Curry) Master Plan for Aging: Workforce: The bill will establish, as part of the Master Plan for Aging, a comprehensive strategy for preparing and supporting California's paid paraprofessional and professional workforce as well as the unpaid family caregiver workforce. AB 1382 (Aguiar-Curry) passed both houses and was concurred in, it is now being enrolled and on its way to the Governor's desk.

Addressing Hate Crimes

JPAC has had a long history of working with our members and members of the State legislature to address anti-Semitism and hate crimes. According to the CA Attorney General, hate crimes have risen consistently over the last four years with 2018 marking an all-time high in total reported hate crimes in California.

AB 1548 (Gabriel) California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program: The bill will establish state criteria for the California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program (CNSGP). AB 1548 (Gabriel) passed both houses and was concurred in, it is now being enrolled and on its way to the Governor's desk.

AB 300 (Chu) Hate Crime and Incident Reporting: The bill will improve accuracy in reporting of hate crimes and incidents. Specifically, it would require specific reports from law enforcement agencies in California to include a checkbox indicating whether the case at hand is a suspected hate crime or incident. AB 300 was held in the Senate Appropriations Suspense File, and has become a two- year bill.

AB 1052 (Chu) Peace Office Training: Hate Crimes: The bill will require peace officers to undergo comprehensive training on hate crimes. The bill specifically requires peace officers to watch a specified hate crime video course as part of their basic training. It also requires all in-service peace officers to take a refresher course on hate crimes every three years that will be developed by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. AB 1052 was held in the Senate Appropriations Suspense File, and has become a two-year bill.

Ending Deep Poverty Bill Package

JPAC has taken an active role in advocating for State funding for programs that ensure that children, families, and seniors living below the poverty line have access to housing, healthcare, and food.

AB 24 (Burke) Personal Income Taxes: Targeted Child Tax Credit: The bill

expands on the federal child tax credit and targets this credit to families living in deep poverty. AB 24 became a two-year bill in the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File.

Earned Income Tax Credit: The budget included tax conformity and Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) through budget bill language and trailer bill language. Makes changes to significantly expand the EITC by: a. Raising the annual income recomputation floor from 3.1 percent to 3.5 percent; b. Revising the calculation factors to increase the credit amount for certain taxpayers; c. Raising the maximum income to \$30,000; and d. Providing a refundable young child tax credit not to exceed \$1,000 per each qualified taxpayer per taxable year. The provisions included in AB 91 have an estimated net General Fund revenue impact in the 2019-20 fiscal year of \$1 billion and \$680 million in 2020-21. In addition, the revenue generated by this bill is estimated to provide an additional \$1 billion total to schools through an increased Proposition 98 minimum funding level from the 2019-20 fiscal year through the 2022-23 fiscal year.

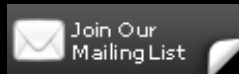
AB 898 (Wicks) Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment services: behavior health: AB 898 will direct the Health and Human Services Agency to convene the Children's Behavioral Health Action Team to identify opportunities for the state to better ensure Medi-Cal eligible children receive behavioral health services through the Medi-Cal program, that mitigate the impact of adverse childhood experiences and adverse community experiences, and to maximize the federal, state, and local funding to pay for the benefits and services needed to uphold California's commitment to the healthy development of all children. AB 898 was held as a two-year bill because the Governor's office and the Secretary of Health and Human Services expressed concerns and asked that the Author make it a two-year bill so that they can work with them on language during the interim.

For questions, please contact Cliff Berg at (916) 448-8240.

Thank you to our member organizations:

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