

Volunteer Voice

JFS VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER



JFS News

Join us for the 2024 JFS Executive Luncheon, featuring the founder of the first multi-channel lifestyle company, entrepreneur, bestselling author, and Emmy Award-winning television show host, Martha Stewart. We're bringing together the Denver philanthropic community on May 8 at the Hyatt Regency at Colorado Convention Center to learn more about JFS, enjoy lunch, and present the Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck Community Leadership Award to Temple Emanuel during their 150th anniversary, and listen to a fun, moderated conversation with lifestyle guru Martha Stewart.

[Learn More](#)

JFS Boulder Highlights



JFS Boulder introduces our new community engagement liaison: Tina Kantor

Our Boulder team is expanding with the creation of our new community engagement liaison position!

Tina Kantor recently joined the JFS staff in this role, which is geared toward meeting the Boulder community's needs and expanding our impact with new and renewed collaborations, partnerships, and outreach.



Fostering intergenerational friendships and reducing loneliness at JFS Boulder (one visit at a time)

If you are looking for a way to make a real impact on the life of a person living in Boulder, consider joining our Friendly Visitor program. JFS Boulder Friendly Visitors are matched with an older adult or an adult with a disability for weekly visits or phone calls. Currently, 20 volunteers are serving in this role. Volunteers create an important social connection by providing companionship through regular visits to people who are at risk of feeling isolated due to aging, mobility impairments, or other reasons.

We currently have seven clients in Boulder who are seeking a friendly visitor. These relationships often deepen into friendships that are genuinely meaningful to both people.

Volunteers are asked to commit for six months or more. A background check and COVID-19 vaccination are required for this role. Reach out to Boulder Community Engagement Liaison Tina at tkantor@jewishfamilyservice.org for more information, [or visit our website](#) to start your volunteer application today.

Celebrate New Volunteers!

Boulder-area realtor Lisa Ginsberg came into the Boulder JCC in early November to talk to a friend about her feelings about the war against Hamas and the rising levels of antisemitism emerging around the



globe. That friend was Stuart Feinhor, JFS Boulder Care Manager. Lisa, who had worked at the JCC and Congregation Bonai Shalom in Boulder, wanted to talk to someone Jewish. She told Stuart that she wanted to DO something positive in response to the upsetting things in the news. Stuart suggested volunteering. He introduced Lisa to JFS Boulder Community Engagement Liaison Tina Kantor. Lisa completed her new volunteer interview on the spot, and her onboarding as a JFS volunteer was soon underway. She offered to jump in and help at a few of the Hanukkah parties that Tina was coordinating at local older adult communities. She is also in the process of being matched with an isolated older adult as a Friendly Visitor.

In this picture, Lisa's passion for Tikkun Olam (repair of the world) shines in her warm interactions with residents at the Balfour Lodge Hanukkah celebration in Louisville on Dec. 11.



Sharing each other's light at Hanukkah!

JFS Boulder staff and almost 30 volunteers helped organize and run 11 Hanukkah celebrations for almost 150 residents at local older adult communities in December. People were very grateful for a chance to share the fun and joy of the holiday, meet new friends, and reflect on the many layers of meaning Hanukkah holds.

Volunteer Program Spotlight

Community Table Delivery Drivers

The JFS Community Table lunch program brings older adults together for a warm meal and good company at the Denver Jewish Community Center (JCC). This program provides a free lunch while helping keep participants connected and engaged with their community by providing a fun and enriching environment.

[Learn more about how this program depends on volunteers.](#)



Volunteer Needs

Grief Support Volunteers

JFS is seeking a volunteer with grief support background for a unique opportunity potentially once or every month. Location doesn't matter as it can be virtual or in-person.

Please reach out to volunteer@jewishfamilyservice.org if interested in learning more.

Volunteer Interpreters for JFS Job Fair

Volunteer translators are needed for the JFS Job Fair on Tuesday, January 30, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the JFS Atrium at our Denver location. Volunteers will help clients interested in learning more about job growth opportunities from the event vendors through translation services.

Languages needed include Spanish, Swahili, French, Burmese, Dari, and Pashto.

Please contact Marissa Greene at mgreene@jewishfamilyservice.org to learn more and sign up.

Click Here for Additional Volunteer Needs!



Photos From the Quarter

Thank you to everyone who contributed their time, energy, and talents these past few months to support JFS programs in so many ways!

This section is for you to help us fill in with photos from your volunteer experiences. Please submit them to volunteer@jewishfamilyservice.org.

Volunteer Appreciation Date Options

We are excited to be in the planning stages of this year's Volunteer Appreciation event. Please share your input to help us determine the best date and time.

Select a date for the Volunteer Appreciation Event

Sunday, Apr. 14 from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Thursday, Apr. 18 from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Thursday, Apr. 18 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Reminders

JFS programs and services will be closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Jan. 15, 2024.

Cancellations – If you must cancel in less than 48 hours of your shift, you must cancel via a phone call with your staff supervisor and volunteer services at 720.724.9332.

Let us know if you are no longer interested in volunteering and wish to be removed from the volunteer services email list by calling 720.724.9332 or emailing volunteer@jewishfamilyservice.org.



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