



Case Statement

Jewish Service for the Developmentally Disabled

JSDD is the answer to the question, “What will happen to my child when I am no longer here?” We provide peace of mind to the families of the people we serve. In addition, the doors of opportunities open to unlimited possibilities through a unique, holistic, alternative learning environment.

JSDD has transformed the community’s perception towards individuals with developmental disabilities from one of disabled service recipient to able, full participant in Jewish and secular life. Full inclusion of every member in Jewish community life has resulted in a richer, more progressive approach to supporting individuals with the assistance they require.

Originally a committee of United Jewish Federation of MetroWest, in 1989 we established the first kosher, community-based residential setting for men and women with developmental disabilities. Less than 10 years later, JSDD was established as an independent agency.

As the agency’s spirit of *K’vod Habryot* – Respect for All Human Beings – evolved, so did our services. As the community leader in MetroWest for advocacy of disability rights and the impetus for many emerging programs, JSDD’s impact has created opportunities.

JSDD provides:

- Supervised, supportive, community-based kosher residential services
- A continuing education, holistic learning program
- Alternatives to traditional work/employment
- Advocacy and consultative support towards accessing services
- Educational programs and resources to families and the general community

Create Your Jewish Legacy with the Jewish Service for the Developmentally Disabled

Our JSDD Legacy Society is a group of individuals just like you who want to assure that individuals with developmental disabilities continue to be supported in a dignified and inclusive way.

By joining JSDD Legacy, you will...

- Ensure the quality of services and supports continue long into the future
- Support the notion that people with developmental disabilities have the same need to be included in community life as anyone
- Contribute to the shifting of perceptions about people with disabilities



For more information about how to create your Jewish Legacy, contact Linda Press, 973.272.7141 or LPress@jsddmetrowest.org

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