

October 2019

### Interfaith Volunteering is Fast Approaching

As we find ourselves in the midst of the holiest time of the year, this must not only be a time for deep personal reflection, but also a time to think about those in our community who are in need. With the cold winter months ahead of us, those who do not always have a place to call home will need our help. Once again we are setting a goal of helping 300 members of the Baltimore Community who are



experiencing homelessness. On Wednesday, October 23, at 6:00 PM we will be joining with the Church of the Redeemer, Jewish Volunteer Connection, and Repair the World: Baltimore to help make 300 blessing bags. Last year we were successful in meeting our goal and we hope you will join us to help meet it once again. Volunteers who join us for dinner and to pack bags at the Church of the Redeemer in Towson will be encouraged to take blessing bags with them and personally give them to community members in need. [Be sure to register in advance!](#)

### Interfaith Trialogue Series Concludes

Another successful iteration of the Interfaith Trialogue Series wrapped up last month, attracting a diverse crowd from across the Baltimore region and from across the faiths. For three consecutive Wednesdays nearly thirty individuals committed to expanding the dialogue between Jews, Christians, and Muslims came together at R.House to have an honest conversation about what separates us and what brings us together. Participants delved into sacred texts from the Quran, Torah, and Bible, that were



selected by the co-leaders, and discussed them in small groups. Each text fit the series' theme of *Intersectional Moments*, allowing participants to really explore how much overlap exists between each of the sacred texts, and in turn allowing them to learn that faith does not have to be a source of division, but one of unity. We would like to thank our three tremendous co-leaders Pastor Jim Hamilton, Rabbi Ariana Katz, and Chaplain Asma Hanif along with everyone who joined us at each installment of the series for helping to create such an engaging and open space.

### Reconnecting Park Heights



The Park Heights Neighborhood is ingrained into Baltimore Jewish life and history, a designation the Northwest Baltimore neighborhood shares with Baltimore's African-American Community as well. While Park Heights encompasses only a few square miles, those living north of Northern Parkway can feel miles apart from their neighbors to the

south, living only a few blocks away. Which is why we are working start a conversation on how to bridge that gap, and we will be doing it with those who know Park Heights best: community leaders, elected officials, and residents. On November 12th at 7:00 PM at the CC Jackson Rec Center on Park Heights Avenue we will be joining with our community partners to convene a panel led by CHAI Executive Director Lisa Budlow, and featuring Council President Brandon Scott and Delegate Sandy Rosenberg along with other neighborhood leaders. Following this panel attendees will have the chance to huddle with their neighbors to have a conversation about ways we can collectively work to bridge the divides that currently exist in Park Heights.

### Upcoming Events & Opportunities

# TODAY!

## Hate Speech On Campus: A Conversation

Wednesday, October 2, 6:00 PM

Towson University College of Liberal Arts Building, Room 4310  
251 University Ave, Towson, MD 21204

[More information and registration](#)

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## Help ECYP Students Share Their Story

Throughout the school year, Elijah Cummings Youth Program in Israel (ECYP) Fellows share their experience to diverse groups in the 7th congressional district. If your organization or school is interested in hosting a group of fellows, please fill out [ECYP's speaker request form](#) or contact Kathleen St.Villier Hill at [kstvillier@ecyp.org](mailto:kstvillier@ecyp.org).

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## Interfaith Volunteering

Wednesday, October 23, 6:00 PM

Church of the Redeemer  
5603 N. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21210

[More information and registration](#)

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## Faith In The Workplace Forum

Tuesday, November 5, 8:30 AM - 4:45 PM

Temple Oheb Shalom  
7310 Park Heights Ave, Pikesville, MD 21208

[More information and registration](#)

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## Kristallnacht Commemoration Concert

Sunday, November 10, 2:00 - 3:30 PM

Beth El Congregation  
8101 Park Heights Ave, Pikesville, MD 21208

[More information and registration](#)

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## Lessons Of The Shoah 2019: Witness To Genocide

Wednesday, November 20, 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

A day of exploration and dialogue for high school teachers and students, using the Holocaust and its lessons to encourage tolerance, understanding and respect between students of diverse backgrounds.

Open to grades 9-12, Private, Public and Independent Schools

For more information contact [jparmigiani@baltjc.org](mailto:jparmigiani@baltjc.org) or 410-542-4850

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## Charting the Course for Environmental Change

Monday, December 9, 6:00 PM

Brown Advisory  
901 S. Bond St., Baltimore, MD 21231

[More information and registration](#)

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