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## STRENGTH IN UNITY: ADVOCATING FOR THE ORGANIZED JEWISH COMMUNITY

Educating and advocating on issues of vital importance to the organized Jewish community based on consensus, civility, and an expanded commitment to living Jewish values of social justice.

# 2020-2021 CORE VALUES

The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) exists to build a strong and vibrant Jewish community in Columbus and around the world. Through collaboration, advocacy, open communication, education, understanding, and respect, we shall build and deepen our relationships with communities throughout Columbus and beyond.

### **Ensuring a safe and secure Jewish community**

The JCRC firmly believes that a strong and vibrant community emanates from ensuring physical and economic security. The JCRC works closely with law enforcement and emergency preparedness agencies as the central coordinator and resource for securing our community. The JCRC advocates for expanding the social safety net to support our Jewish agencies in their work to serve all those in need. Additionally, the JCRC will continue to ensure JewishColumbus investments in the community remain protected.

#### Combatting anti-Semitism, discrimination, and hate

The JCRC will oppose and respond to anti-Semitism, as well as hate and discrimination against other groups. Where possible and appropriate, JCRC will do this in collaboration with other organizations. The JCRC supports efforts to ensure the freedom and safety of Jewish communities worldwide and promotes an understanding of world events, which challenge the dignity of all human beings. The JCRC will continue to perpetuate the memory of the unique atrocity of the Holocaust to ensure that it never happens again.

#### Combat efforts to delegitimize Israel and promote Israel's security

The JCRC will enhance the greater community's understanding of Israel and foster connections between Columbus and Israel. The JCRC will combat efforts to delegitimize Israel. The JCRC will support efforts to enhance Israel's security, and will actively advocate for a strong US/Israel relationship.

