2020 Grant Awards

Violence Prevention Projects

**Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA)**
Commit to Change  
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)  
[www.avdaonline.org](http://www.avdaonline.org)

Commit to Change is a statewide social change initiative focused on reducing violence against women by empowering young women and mobilizing young men as allies. This program includes an evidence-based curriculum for middle and high school students, youth led community impact projects, workshops for parents, and a Community Action Team that engages adult influencers to supporting teens in developing healthy, equitable dating relationships.

**Center for Women’s Justice**
General Operating Support  
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)  
[www.cwj.org.il/en](http://www.cwj.org.il/en)

JWF supports CWJ’s rights infringement cases for women including: agunot, who are anchored indefinitely to failed marriages by recalcitrant husbands who refuse to deliver a religious bill of divorce (get); women whose conversions are repealed by rabbinic courts; and those whose children are blacklisted as mamzerim (children born of a woman’s extramarital relationship) and forbidden from marrying other Jews for generations.

**Futures Without Violence**
Coaching Boys into Men: Florida Communities Redefining Locker Room Talk  
$12,500 for 2 years (2020-2022)  
[www.futureswithoutviolence.org](http://www.futureswithoutviolence.org)

Coaching Boys into Men (CBIM) provides high school athletic coaches with the resources they need to promote respectful behavior among their players and help prevent relationship abuse, harassment, and sexual assault. For more than a decade, the program has been implemented in communities across the U.S. and around the world. JWF’s grant will allow CBIM to expand into Florida.
**KidSafe**
Empower Me
$10,000 for 2 years (2020-2022)
kidsafefoundation.org

Empower Me is a project that educates parents and teachers to recognize, respond to, and report abuse. This grant helps KidSafe expand Empower Me to preschools, elementary schools, and other child-serving organizations in Florida for ages 4-8. Since 2009, KidSafe has taught over 60,000 children that they have the right to be safe and taught over 35,000 adults that they are the first line of defense for children.

**Moving Traditions**
Culture Shift
$10,000 for 2 years (2020-2022)
www.movingtraditions.org

Moving Traditions emboldens teens by fostering self-discovery, challenging sexism, and inspiring a commitment to Jewish life and learning. Culture Shift is an intensive 2-day training program for Jewish camp leaders that educates them about sexism, harassment, and issues of consent so they can empower camp staff to create safer, more inclusive camp experiences and act as resources for all camp participants.

**Pace Center for Girls**
Pace Reach
$12,500 for 2 years (2020-2022)
www.pacecenter.org

Pace Reach is a prevention and early intervention effort targeting girls at risk of victimization and violence. JWF funding supports small circle groups for girls as well as mother-daughter groups that address quality decision making, healthy interpersonal relationship boundaries, effective coping skills, self-esteem, and connecting with positive mentors.

**The Alliance for Eating Disorders Awareness**
Understanding the Impacts of Gender Based Violence on Mental Health & Eating Disorders
$10,000 for 2 years (2020-2022)
www.allianceforeatingdisorders.com

The Alliance for Eating Disorders Awareness is a national non-profit organization dedicated to providing programs and activities aimed at outreach, education, early intervention, and advocacy for all eating disorders. JWF’s funding supports the implementation of educational seminars for physicians and health care providers in Palm Beach County where participants will learn to recognize and respond to the connection between eating disorders and gender-based violent trauma.
**Unchained at Last**  
General Operating Support  
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)  
[www.unchainedatlast.org](http://www.unchainedatlast.org)

Unchained at Last is the only organization in the US dedicated to helping women and girls leave or avoid arranged/forced marriages and rebuild their lives. Unchained provides free legal and social services and emotional support, while also raising awareness and advocating for relevant legislation. Currently, they are working on legislation to raise the minimum age requirement for marriage to be 18 years old in all 50 states.

**Labor & Employment Projects**

**Adva Center**  
General Operating Support  
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)  
[www.adva.org/en](http://www.adva.org/en)

The Adva Center (founded in 1991) is a non-partisan policy analysis institute whose mandate is to examine Israeli society from the perspective of equality and social justice, through social policy and budget analysis, advocacy work, popular education, and projects designed to empower disadvantaged groups with a special emphasis on women.

**Compass LGBTQ Community Center**  
Transgender Economic Empowerment Program  
$15,000 for 2 years (2020-2022)  
[compassglcc.com](http://compassglcc.com)

The Transgender Economic Empowerment Program is a first of its kind program in Palm Beach County connecting transgender women to career training and better job opportunities. Additional outreach programs will offer training for employers on inclusive hiring practices, creating more job security for this at-risk population.

**DePorres Place**  
Next Step Internship Program  
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)  
[www.deporresplace.org](http://www.deporresplace.org)

DePorres Place provides tutoring to women in need of basic reading skills or spoken English language skills through free one on one and small group instruction. The Next Step Internship Program, funded by JWF, provides six 12-week paid internships per year for women who have achieved a high level of language proficiency and likelihood of success in a higher paying profession.
**Dolores Barr Weaver**
Justice for Girls
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)
www.seethegirl.org

The Policy Center’s mission is to engage communities, organizations, and individuals through quality research, advocacy, training, and model programming. They strive to advance the rights of girls, young women, and youth who identify as female, especially those impacted by the justice system.

**Eden Center**
General Operating Support
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)
www.theedencenter.org

The Eden Center focuses on enabling all women in Israel to have a personally meaningful and welcoming experience in the mikveh, providing support and resources for crisis and lifecycle moments and transforming the mikveh into a vehicle to promote women’s emotional and physical health, intimacy and well-being. Funding from JWF supports their flagship mikveh attendant training program where attendants learn how to identify issues of abuse, mental illness, and breast cancer, and refer women to appropriate services.

**Jewish Agency for Israel**
Alma Pre-Military Training Academy
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)
www.jewishagency.org/mechinot/program/35831

The Alma Pre-Military Training Academy is an all-female intensive residential learning and physical training pre-army program designed to expand opportunities for young Israeli women who have grown up in challenging backgrounds and enable them to develop their leadership capabilities and have a more successful future.

**The Lord’s Place, Inc.**
Gender Responsive Opportunities for Women (GROW) Initiative
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)
www.thelordsplace.org

The Lord’s Place is a non-sectarian organization addressing homelessness in Palm Beach County. The Gender Responsive Opportunities for Women (GROW) Initiative increases the integration of gender responsive tools, strategies, and techniques into The Lord’s Place’s service delivery model on an agency-wide level. The goal of this project is to enhance the provision of gender responsive services to women across all their programs.
La’Ofek (Hope for the Future)
Achotenu
$10,000 for 2 years (2020-2022)
www.laofek.org/achotenu/?lang=en

Achotenu, meaning “our nurses”, is an academic nurses training program for Ethiopian Israelis. This program is the only one of its kind in Israel working to help Ethiopians gain entrance to, and succeed in, nursing schools.

QueenB
General Operating Support
$10,000 for 2 years (2020-2022)
www.queenb.org.il

QueenB is an Israeli non-profit organization that was founded by computer science students disheartened by the number of women in their field. JWF’s funding supports an after-school coding program for middle school girls with the goal of inspiring the next generation of women in tech.

Rackman Center for the Advancement of the Status of Women
Elimination of Womens’ Exclusion from the Religious Sphere in Israel
$10,000 per year for 2 years (2019 – 2021)
www.en.rackmancenter.com

The phenomenon of deliberate exclusion of women from leadership positions at national religious institutions in the public sphere has become a real threat to women’s basic human rights and to Israel’s democracy. JWF’s funding supports activities that provide leadership advancement of women in public service roles; inclusion in influential leadership positions and religious political parties; and greater representation of women in State religious institutions.

Women’s Spirit (Ruach Nashit)
Breaking the Bind
$10,000 for 2 years (2020-2022)
www.ruach-nashit.org.il

Women’s Spirit works to promote the economic independence of women survivors of violence in Israel and strives for social change from a feminist perspective and commitment to social and gender justice. Breaking the Bind supports survivors through education, advocacy, and lobbying efforts.