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RENDERINGS OF THE NEW
LEVENTHAL-SIDMAN JCC
LOBBY AND CAFE!

OUR GRATITUDE
EXTENDS TO THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO HAVE ALREADY NAMED SPACES WITHIN THE LOBBY & CAFE. IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER:

IRVING & CHARLOTTE BACKMAN
ROGER & LYNNE BERKOWITZ
RYNA GREENBAUM
THE RITA J. AND STANLEY H. KAPLAN FOUNDATION
  NANCY KAPLAN BELSKY & MARK BELSKY
  SUSAN B. KAPLAN
SCOTT K. BELSKY
GILA K. BELSKY
MARK & MARJIE SOKOLL
KENNETH & BARBARA WEXLER & FAMILY
TRANSFORMATION OF THE LEVENTHAL-SIDMAN JCC

LOBBY & CAFÉ
2019 was a transformational year at JCC Greater Boston. We opened our new Winn Family & Wellness Center at the Leventhal-Sidman JCC, ran more than 180 programs for families throughout Greater Boston, and welcomed 3,000 kids across our day and overnight camps. Now we look towards our anticipated “shovel in the ground” date, August 2020, as we re-imagine the lobby and café at our flagship facility in Newton.

One of the most important goals of our upcoming lobby project is enhancing security at the Leventhal-Sidman JCC with expanded security infrastructure and staffing. As we continue to hear about ongoing, horrifying attacks on the Jewish community, we take seriously our responsibility of offering welcoming and secure spaces for our members and community.

On January 5, I had the privilege of representing JCC Greater Boston at the “March Against Hate” in New York City sponsored by the New York Jewish Federation (UJA) to demonstrate the community’s solidarity toward ending anti-Semitic acts of hate, harassment and violence. It feels strange in the wake of such violence to say the day was energizing, but it truly was. Walking across the Brooklyn Bridge with close to 30,000 people was inspiring and deeply moving. Listening to those marching plant the seeds of the values we hold so dear was a powerful moment for me. It struck me as a beautiful coincidence that our annual theme for JCC Greater Boston is “Planting Seeds for the Future.” Our community has a powerful history of rising up to fight back against the forces of anti-Semitism, racism, and bigotry. I know we as a community can find a path forward, together.

We remain vigilant in our work to provide a safe, secure, and welcoming place for all at JCC Greater Boston.

Mark Sokoll
President/CEO

*Artistic rendering of lobby
THANKS TO YOU,

WE ARE JUST $30,000 AWAY FROM REACHING OUR COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN GOAL OF $150,000. YOUR SUPPORT HELPS US REACH OUR GOAL OF 100% PARTICIPATION FROM OUR JCC COMMUNITY. THESE GIFTS ARE TRULY APPRECIATED AS WE WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE THE WELCOMING AND SECURE SPACES THAT WILL ENSURE EVERYONE WHO ENTERS THE LEVENTHAL-SIDMAN JCC FEELS CONNECTED TO THEIR JEWISH IDENTITY AND EACH OTHER.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT OR TO MAKE A GIFT TO OUR COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN, VISIT bostonjcc.org/reimagine

Improves security and streamlines access procedures
Supporting a smooth and safe user experience

Enhances the food experience and wellness programming
New catering and teaching kitchen facilities offer programming to nurture the mind, body and spirit