

- : J-LEAD
- Jewish Leadership Education
- Action & Development

"J-LEAD is a unique opportunity for members of the community to come together to maximize the impact of their charitable giving. We are excited to provide financial support to programs that we believe will make a positive difference."

- Brian Scharf











Smarter Giving. Your Way.

J-LEAD is a Giving Circle



Members in their 20s, 30s & 40s



Pool their contributions (+ a generous grant from JCF)



And collectively make grants to community organizations











Since its inception in 2005, J-LEAD members collectively have donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to our community.

How does J-LEAD work?

You can join J-LEAD by making a tax-deductible contribution of \$500 to the common pool. Your gift will be amplified by a grant from the Jewish Community Foundation's Community Legacy Fund to make your dollars go even further.

Each spring, J-LEADers meet to review grant applications and award grants in the Kansas City Jewish community. Various volunteer opportunities, educational and social events take place throughout the year.

Through J-LEAD, you'll:

- Increase the impact of your charitable dollars
- Learn more about giving opportunities and community needs
- Make new friends
- Have networking opportunities

Past Grant Recipients:

J-LEAD supports a wide variety of community agencies and programs. Past grant recipients include:

- Community Kollel of KC: Ahoovim Program
- Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy: Mitzvah Bus
- Jewish Community Center: Special Needs Programming
- Jewish Family Services: Food Pantry
- Kansas City Hospice: Jewish **Hospice Training**
- KU Hillel: Shabbat Around KU
- Midwest Center for Holocaust **Education**: State of Deception Exhibition
- Mitzvah Garden KC: Project Matar, Water Collection System
- Vaad Hakashruth of KC: Kosher **BBQ** Festival