

Multiracial Jewish Association

Community. Education. Advocacy.

Mission:

Our mission is to support, uplift, and advocate for the multiracial Jewish community of Minnesota, including black, indigenous, Asian, Latinx, Sephardi, Mizrachi, and multiracial or interracial families who identify as Jewish. We will build connections across racial identities and within the broader local Jewish community. We will advocate for our collective place and purpose. We will educate organizations, leaders, and allies on how to better support our unique community as part of the collective Jewish identity.

Our Vision:

For every Jew of color to feel a sense of belonging and connection within our local, national, and global Jewish communities.

Who We Are:

- We are Minnesota-based Jews who identify across denominations, definitions, and levels of practice
- We are individuals, spouses, families, and children who identify as non-white and Jewish, or as part of a multi-racial family
- We are inclusive across identities and intersections such as race, nationality, sexuality, gender identity, age, ability, and income
- We are interested in developing a shared sense of community while deepening our connection to the broader collective Jewish communities we inhabit
- We are committed to centering JOCs and their experiences in all of the Jewish environments they are part of.

Future Programming:

- Jewish experiences for members and partners/parents to develop a deeper connection to Judaism (retreats, events, and social and educational experiences)
- Support/Affinity groups for JOC to build connection and create community amongst ourselves
- Support/Affinity groups for parents and partners of JOC
- Scholarships and funding for members to participate in Jewish education, camps, organizations and events
- Educational experiences and messaging for allies and community leaders who wish to support the cause
- Simcha Trains to bring greater connection around life cycle events
- Synagogue ambassadors that can drive synagogue-specific changes in policy and practice that center Jews of color within their communities
- Speakers/writers bureau to better connect willing speakers with appropriate advocacy opportunities