



The Jewish Federation  
OF OMAHA

2021  
**SCHOLARSHIPS  
& GRANTS**



*Applications due March 1, 2021*





The Jewish Federation of Omaha is charged with administering the allocation and distribution of scholarship and financial assistance funds entrusted to the community for the benefit of Jewish Omaha. JFO’s scholarship and grant programs are available for the Pennie Z. Davis Child Development Center, Friedel Jewish Academy, JCC Summer Camp, Jewish residential summer camp, Israel programs, college, vocational and technical schools, adult Jewish education, reduced JCC membership fees, and financial assistance. Scholarship and grant applications can be found at [www.jewishomaha.org](http://www.jewishomaha.org) in the section labeled “Scholarships and Grants.” Unless otherwise noted, applications and all required documentation are due **March 1, 2021**. Should you have any questions, please contact Diane Walker at 402.334.6551 or [dwalker@jewishomaha.org](mailto:dwalker@jewishomaha.org).

## **A Guide to Scholarship and Grant Opportunities**

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**All applications can be found on the Jewish Federation of Omaha website – [www.jewishomaha.org](http://www.jewishomaha.org) in the section labeled “Scholarships and Grants”.**

## **CAMPUS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

### **Adult Jewish Education**

Funding is available to cover some of the costs of adult Jewish education courses for Jewish in the Metro Omaha area and for non-Jews considering conversion to Judaism. For more information, please call (402) 334.6551.

### **JCC Memberships**

Reduced rates may be available for those who are financially unable to pay the full membership fee. Please contact Linda Cogen c/o Jewish Family Service at (402) 334-6493 for an assistance application packet.

### **Jewish Family Service**

Jewish Family Service (JFS) delivers financial assistance from the Jewish community to enhance the dignity of life for Jews in need. JFS offers assistance through holiday meals at Rosh Hashanah, Passover, and Hanukkah; gifts for families during Hanukkah's "Project Dreidel"; activities and social skill building for Jews with Special Needs, "Yachad"; and financial help for rent, utilities, food, mental health services, parenting education, medical and dental bills.

Please use the 2021 JFS Financial Assistance Application for reduced JCC membership fees and/or JFS assistance. These applications should be submitted to Linda Cogen c/o Jewish Family Service and can be submitted at any time throughout the year. The Financial Assistance Council reviews information and assistance will be determined within two weeks of receipt of completed information. If you have any questions regarding the needed application, reduced JCC membership fees or JFS assistance, please contact Linda Cogen at (402) 334-6493 or [lcogen@jfsomaha.com](mailto:lcogen@jfsomaha.com).

## SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT PROGRAMS

- Friedel Jewish Academy
- JCC Summer Camp
- Jewish Residential Summer Camp
- Pennie Z. Davis Child Development Center
- Youth Group Programs
- Israel Programs

Scholarship funding, based on financial need, is available for all of the above programs. Please use the 2021 Application for Financial Aid/Scholarship for these programs. The applications are due Monday, March 1, 2021 to be considered for summer 2021 or academic year 2021-2022 awards. The exception is Youth Group programs. The Youth Group Program Scholarship Application is required and can be submitted at any time throughout the year. All applications can be found at [www.jewishomaha.org](http://www.jewishomaha.org) in the section labeled “Scholarships and Grants”.

Grants are non-need based funding, provided by the Jewish Federation of Omaha, available to anyone meeting the program requirements. These include:

### **Jewish Experience Grants**

These grants provide up to \$2,000 for Jewish children in the metro area to attend residential summer camp. Grants are paid over two years with no more than \$1,000 per summer.

### **Israel Experience Grants**

These grants provide \$1,500 to students in grades 9–12 or young adults ages 18-25 for an Israel peer program. An additional stipend of \$1,000 is provided for the bi-annual community teen trip to Israel. Funding can also be used for domestic airfare and a trip extension fee for Birthright Israel participants.

### **Passport to Israel**

Passport to Israel is open to Omaha Jewish youth for funding a future Israel peer program. Participation may begin as early as kindergarten with the family depositing \$250 per year into the child’s account. Funds are matched by both the Jewish Federation of Omaha and the family’s participating synagogue (Beth El, Beth Israel, and Temple Israel) up to \$2,000 at the time of the trip. Specific requirements for involvement with the JFO and the participant’s synagogue apply. Sign-up is available year round. This is a risk-free opportunity to grow \$2,000 savings to \$6,000!

## POST HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

- Undergraduate and Graduate Studies
- Vocational and Technical Studies
- Professional Studies
- Yeshiva Studies

### Scholarships available through the Jewish Federation of Omaha -

#### Merit Based Scholarships:

- David Keiser and Lillian Keiser Stoms Foundation Education Endowment Fund for Academic Excellence

#### Financial Need Based Scholarships:

- Anonymous College Scholarship Fund
- Scholarships from more than 50 funds are available with just one application!

### Scholarships available through Other Committees -

#### Merit Based Scholarships:

- The Phil & Ruth Sokolof Honor Roll Scholarships
- Bennett G. Hornstein Endowment Fund
- A.A. and Ethel Yossem Scholarship

#### Financial Need Based Scholarships:

- Bruce M. Fellman Charitable Foundation Trust
- Robert H. & Dorothy G. Kooper Charitable Foundation
- Natan & Hannah Schwalb UNO Scholarship
- Theodore M. & Sarah N. Seldin Scholarship

Please use the Undergraduate/Graduate/Professional/Yeshiva Studies/Vocational Studies Application for the 2021-2022 Academic Year when applying for financial need based scholarships through the Jewish Federation of Omaha. This application is due **Monday, March 1, 2021.**

Other available scholarships have their own application and due date.

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND DESCRIPTIONS

*The Financial Aid Committee determines awards from specific scholarship funds. Funds are available only to Jewish residents of the Omaha metro area, unless noted. The majority of awards are based on financial need. Scholarships and loans are provided from the following funds:*

### **DAVID KEISER AND LILLIAN KEISER STOMS FOUNDATION EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

This fund was endowed to provide university funding for those who will be entering their freshman year of college. The awards are made primarily on scholastic merit, with high school GPA and SAT/ACT scores used as the primary measure to determine the winner. The recipient must also demonstrate a strong and active commitment to the Omaha Jewish community. Financial need is not a requirement for this award. A separate application is needed with a **March 1, 2021** deadline for submission.

### **ANONYMOUS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This fund was established specifically for children of single parent families who worked during high school to contribute economically and emotionally to their families. A separate application is needed with a **February 1, 2021** deadline for submission.

### **LENORE SIMON ARONSON EDUCATIONAL FUND**

This fund was created to honor Lenore Simon Aronson and provides scholarship aid for female education majors at the University of Nebraska - Omaha. Funds are also available for Jewish summer camp scholarships.

### **DAVID E. BEBER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Milton S. and Corinne N. Livingston Foundation endowed this fund for scholarships, loans, and grants. This fund is dedicated to the memory of David E. Beber, a leader of the Omaha Jewish community, who devoted years to philanthropic service as a Trustee of the Livingston Foundation. The Beber Fund provides loans to college students, loans and grants to those who wish to enter professional service to the Jewish community, grants for studying in Israel, and grants to youth for attending seminars, conventions, and similar programs.

### **B'NAI B'RITH/DR. ABE GREENBERG/HENRY MONSKY LODGE ENDOWMENT FUND**

The Henry Monsky Lodge of B'nai B'rith established this fund as an everlasting memorial and tribute to the late Dr. Abe Greenberg, a leader of the Omaha Jewish community. The fund provides interest-free loans for undergraduate study. Eligibility is limited to those whose parent, grandparent or spouse is a member in good standing of the Henry Monsky Lodge of B'nai B'rith.

## **THE ANNUAL CAMPAIGN ALLOCATION OF THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF OMAHA**

Provides scholarships for children to attend the Pennie Z. Davis Child Development Center preschool, Friedel Jewish Academy, the Jewish Community Center summer camp, residential summer camps and Israel trips.

## **TRUMAN & ROSEMARY CLARE SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund was established to honor the Clare's dedication and service to the Omaha Jewish community. The fund provides scholarships to attend Jewish summer camp, Israel trips, to attend conventions and leadership development programs or to attend the Friedel Jewish Academy. Preference is given to special needs individuals and children of single custodial parents.

## **CORNERSTONES ENDOWMENT FUND**

CornerStones provides funding for Jewish educational opportunities for children of the community to participate in Jewish preschool, Jewish summer camps, Jewish day school and synagogue youth programs.

## **HENRY DAVIS CUSTODIAL FUND**

The purpose of this fund is to cover up to 50% of the cost of adult Jewish education courses for Jews and for non-Jews considering conversion to Judaism. Courses may be sponsored by the Jewish Federation, one of its agencies, local synagogues or colleges/universities in the Omaha metropolitan area.

## **LEO & AILEEN EISENSTATT SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This fund was established by Leo and Aileen Eisenstatt to provide funding for scholarships to attend Creighton University Law School.

## **BARRY E. EPSTEIN MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE FUND**

Geraldine and Irving Epstein established this fund in memory of their son Barry. Barry Epstein was trained as a radiation oncologist at Johns Hopkins Medical School and served on the faculty at Fox Chase Cancer Institute. The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships for graduate or professional school.

## **SANDRA L. FELDMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This fund is dedicated to the memory of Sandra L. Feldman who graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Northwestern University and studied at the University of Vienna, Harvard University, and the Business School at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. To perpetuate her memory and her exceptional achievements, her family established this fund to allow others to partake of the benefits of graduate education.



## **NATHAN & LILLIAN ROSE FINE FUND FOR THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS OF THE JEWISH FAITH**

This fund was established to provide scholarship for undergraduate and graduate students who qualify scholastically with special consideration given to those who have exhibited active service in various programs of the Jewish community and who have been active volunteers in their synagogue/temple. Scholarship preference given to students in the Jewish communal professions.

## **MIKE & LINDA FITERMAN FAMILY FOUNDATION**

Funding was provided by the Mike & Linda Fiterman Family Foundation for need-based scholarships for Omaha area Jewish youth to attend Jewish residential summer camp for summer 2021.

## **ALAN & ANNIE FLEISHMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This fund was endowed in honor of Alan and Annie Fleishman for the purpose of providing scholarships for university students. Preference is given to students with a 2.0 to 3.0 GPA.

## **DAVID W. & MINNIE FRANK MEMORIAL FUND**

The daughters of David and Minnie Frank established this scholarship fund to provide assistance to students entering their junior or senior year of college who have demonstrated success in academics.

## **JACOB FRIEDMAN & BETTY TARNOFF FRIEDMAN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND**

This endowment was created for scholarships that enable Jewish residents in the metropolitan Omaha area who are in need of financial assistance to attend college as undergraduate or graduate students. One third of the award will be available to a Creighton University student, one third to a University of Nebraska Omaha student, and one third to a student enrolled at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, IA.

## **REBECCA FRIEDMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The family and friends of Rebecca Friedman endowed this fund to provide scholarships for students seeking a high school or college-level yeshiva education.

## **CARL L. FROHM EDUCATIONAL CUSTODIAL FUND**

The fund provides scholarships for any Jewish child, teen and young adult in need of financial assistance for education and Jewish experiences.

## **RANDY AND MARVIN GILMAN SCHOLARSHIP**

This fund provides scholarships for a Jewish student in need of financial assistance at the University of Nebraska Lincoln, Mr. Gilman's alma mater.

### **GARY & BARBARA GOLDSTEIN JEWISH YOUTH CAMP FUND**

This fund was established to enable metro Omaha Jewish youth under age 18 who are in need of financial assistance to attend summer residential camps and day camps sponsored by the Omaha JCC, Omaha-area synagogues, or other summer camping programs sponsored by a Jewish organization and approved by the JFO.

### **LEONARD & SHIRLEY GOLDSTEIN FAMILY FUND**

Leonard "Buddy" and Shirley Goldstein created this fund to provide scholarship assistance for youth to attend Jewish summer camps.

### **SHIRLEY & LEONARD GOLDSTEIN SUPPORTING FOUNDATION**

The Board of the Shirley & Leonard Shirley Goldstein Supporting Foundation have provided funds to assist with attendance at the Friedel Jewish Academy, the Pennie Z. Davis Child Development Center, JCC summer camps and Jewish residential summer camps.

### **HERBERT GOLDSTEN SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Goldsten scholarships were established by the Herbert Goldsten Trust to provide Jewish educational opportunities for children and youth, such as Jewish camping and day school education.

### **NANCY & DON GREENBERG SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The family and friends of Nancy and Don Greenberg established this fund to recognize their leadership in the Jewish community of Omaha. Preference is given to a student who is entering his/her freshman year of college and has held significant employment during his/her high school years and has not achieved a GPA over 3.0.

### **HARRIS FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund was established to provide scholarships for young Omahans with developmental disabilities. The funds are available for college scholarships for special needs students or students majoring in special education.

### **JEWISH WAR VETERANS EPSTEIN-MORGAN POST #260 / NATHAN MARCUS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Epstein-Morgan Post #260 created this fund to honor the memory of Nathan Marcus. It is intended to provide funds for university, business and vocational scholarships to students who possess a GPA of 2.0 or better. Preference will be given to U. S. military service veterans or children and grandchildren of veterans.

**ELLEN CANAR JOSEPH MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND**

Established in loving memory of Ellen Canar Joseph, this fund provides scholarships for Israel experiences for college students and young adults.

**SAMUEL & IDA KAIMAN ENDOWMENT FUND**

Samuel and Ida Kaiman established this fund to assist parents wishing to enroll their children in preschool or summer camps sponsored by the Omaha Jewish Community Center.

**BEN E. KASLOW SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Howard and Richard Kaslow families established this fund to honor and perpetuate the memory of their late father, Ben E. Kaslow. The fund is intended to provide scholarships for Jewish summer camps, summer study trips to Israel and Jewish youth programs, seminars or conventions.

**DAVID KATZMAN ENDOWMENT FUND**

Funds from this endowment are available for university/college scholarships.

**MAXINE & JOE KIRSCHENBAUM SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Maxine and Joe Kirshenbaum created this fund to provide scholarships for university students. Preference is given to students with GPAs of 2.0 to 3.0.

**THE LIVINGSTON SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Livingston Scholarships were established by the trustees of the Milton S. and Corinne N. Livingston Foundation to provide scholarship funds for any post-secondary program, including vocational studies and college, Jewish summer camp experiences, summer trips to Israel for high school students and preschool programs.

**STANLEY & BARBARA MALASHOCK CAMP SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund was established to enable Jewish youth under the age of 18 residing in the Omaha metropolitan area to attend Jewish summer camps. Preference shall be given to children with learning disabilities or other developmental challenges. Secondary preference shall be financial need.

**BETTY MARGEL SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund provides undergraduate or graduate scholarships to Jewish students.

### **DAVID J. & SUE MEYERS JEWISH EXPERIENCE SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund was endowed to provide scholarships for Jewish youth to attend Jewish summer day camps and summer residential camps sponsored by Jewish organizations, to attend Jewish youth group conventions, and to take organized trips to Israel.

### **ALBERT M. & JEANETTE T. NEPOMNICK EDUCATION FUND**

This fund was established in memory of Albert Nepomnick by his family and friends. It provides financial assistance for non-tuition related expenses incurred in the university education of children of single parent families.

### **CAROLYN KULLY NEWMAN MEMORIAL FUND**

This fund was established by the Milton S. and Corinne N. Livingston Foundation in memory of Carolyn Kully Newman who was active in youth work. This fund provides support for Jewish children of kindergarten age or younger whose families are in need of financial support which will allow them to participate in programs and activities of the Jewish community of Omaha.

### **ESTHER K. NEWMAN MEMORIAL FUND**

The Jewish Federation of Omaha has dedicated this trust to perpetuate the memory of a woman who devoted herself to the needs of the Omaha Jewish community. The endowment provides funds for special educational programs while it seeks to promote an increasingly higher level of Jewish education. Scholarships are available for Jewish camping, Israel pilgrimages and Jewish day school education. This fund also provides Jewish camp scholarships for Jewish youth residing in Lincoln, Nebraska.

### **GERTRUDE T. & ALBERT B. NEWMAN ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund was established for educational purposes of the Jewish Federation of Omaha and scholarships for courses in Judaic studies at Creighton or UNO for Jewish young adults.

### **MURRAY H. & SHAREE C. NEWMAN SUPPORTING FOUNDATION**

The Trustees of the Murray H. & Sharee C. Newman Supporting Foundation have provided funds to assist with attendance at the Friedel Jewish Academy, the Pennie Z. Davis Child Development Center, JCC summer camps and Jewish residential summer camps.

### **DAVID S. RICE AND ESTHER ZORINSKY RICE ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund is dedicated to the memories of David S. Rice and Esther Zorinsky Rice. It was the wish of the donors that these monies be used to provide financial assistance to children for educational programs, camp and trips to Israel.

### **JOE & RUTH RICE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Joe and Ruth Rice established this fund to provide scholarship assistance to university students. This fund provides loans and grants to Jewish college students.

### **CARL & ZOË RIEKES SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND**

Carl and Zoë Riekes established this fund to enable Jewish youth from families residing in the Omaha metropolitan area who are in need of financial assistance to attend the Pennie Z. Davis Child Development Center. Should the funding not be needed for the CDC, it shall be used for need-based financial assistance for Omaha metro Jewish youth to attend Jewish summer residential camp or to take organized trips to Israel.

### **DOROTHY LUSTGARTEN RIEKES CHILDREN'S CULTURAL ARTS ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund provides scholarships for students under the age of 21 to pursue lessons in cultural arts with an emphasis on music. Lessons in dance and art are also considered.

### **BURTON L. ROBINSON STUDENT ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Burton L. Robinson Fund was established in memory of Burton L. Robinson by his family and friends. This fund is specifically designed to benefit and assist students who are planning a career in physical education, health recreational science, or related and similar fields. Funds are also available for scholarships for summer camps sponsored by the Omaha Jewish Community Center.

### **JEROLD I. & SHEILA E. ROSEN ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund was endowed in honor of Jerold and Sheila Rosen for the purpose of providing college scholarships. Mr. Rosen was Endowment Director of the JFO Foundation from the Foundation's establishment in 1984 until his death in 1992.

### **LOIS JEANNE SCHRAGER MEMORIAL FUND**

Phillip G. Schragger established this fund as a lasting tribute to his late wife who was actively devoted to community service. The fund provides college scholarships to Jewish students who have demonstrated success in academics and leadership in the Omaha Jewish community.

### **PHILLIP & TERRI SCHRAGER SUPPORTING FOUNDATION**

These scholarships are funded by the Phillip and Terri Schragger Supporting Foundation. They are available on a continuing basis to undergraduate students who meet eligibility requirements of academic success and financial need. Funds are also available for need-based scholarships for youth to attend Jewish residential and summer day camps.

### **NATAN & HANNAH SCHWALB SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This fund was established by Natan and Hannah Schwalb to enable youth to participate in any Jewish educational experience in the United States or Israel, in addition to college and university studies. This includes funding for, but is not limited to, undergraduate and graduate studies, camps, Israel program experiences and preschool.

### **NATE H. & BEATRICE SHERMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This fund provides scholarships for academically qualified students with Jewish commitment and financial need to their education. Named in memory of an Omahan well known for his generosity to Omaha and other communities.

### **SIGMA ALPHA MU SCHOLARSHIP**

For undergraduate and graduate students enrolled at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Based on financial need and scholastic ability with first priority given to current members of the UNL Sigma Alpha Mu Fraternity Chapter. Second priority to descendants UNL Sigma Omicron Chapter of Sigma Alpha Mu Fraternity members. Third priority to descendants of members of Sigma Alpha Mu Fraternity at universities other than UNL.

### **LAZIER L. & HARRIET B. SINGER MEMORIAL FUND FOR YOUTH**

This fund provides scholarships for Jewish overnight summer camp to children with demonstrated financial need for the 2021 summer camping season.

### **RUTH SOKOLOF SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This fund was endowed by Phil Sokolof as a lasting tribute to his late wife. Ruth was actively involved in the education of blind and handicapped children. Endowment income is to benefit students who are enrolled at Nebraska universities and are pursuing graduate degrees in special or general education.

### **SPECIAL DONOR-ADVISED FUND of the JEWISH FEDERATION OF OMAHA FOUNDATION**

Funds have been provided historically to support youth group activities and the non-endowed CornerStones Fund which provides assistance for Jewish educational opportunities for metro Omaha children.

### **DAVID KEISER AND LILLIAN KEISER STOMS FOUNDATION EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund was endowed to provide university funding for those who have earned a minimum 3.0 or B grade average to attend a school of their choice.

**LILLIAN KEISER STOMS EDUCATIONAL FUND**

This fund was endowed in honor of Lillian Keiser Stoms and provides financial assistance to Jewish single, custodial parents, or the child of a Jewish single custodial parent, to attend a college or university of their choice.

**BENJAMIN & ELIZABETH “BESS” STERN SCHOLARSHIP LOAN FUND**

Available for loans to exceptionally gifted graduate level students pursuing studies in higher mathematics; physics (both classical and quantum), astronomy; meteorology; astrophysics; engineering or fields related to learning more about the universe; journalism and photo journalism; finance and economics; architecture and related fields; classical music; and scientific research in rare and incurable human disease.

**EDWARD ZORINSKY ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund was established by Sonia Zorinsky in memory of her son, Senator Edward Zorinsky. It is intended to facilitate education through scholarships for Jewish summer camps, summer study trips to Israel for high school students and university tuition for college freshman.

## ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We are pleased to inform you of the availability of other scholarship opportunities. ***Please note that these scholarships are outside of the realm of the Financial Aid Committee and the Jewish Federation of Omaha.*** For applications and more details, please see contact information listed.

### MARGIE & PAUL ALPERSON SUMMER EXPERIENCE AWARD

A program of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City

Established in memory of former Omahans, Margie and Paul Alperson, teens in Omaha can apply for this award to participate in a summer Israel experience. For applications, please visit the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City website – <https://www.jcfkc.org/how-we-can-help-you/grants-scholarships/scholarships/summer-experience-fund.html>. Any questions, please contact Beatrice Fine at (913) 327-8245 or [BFine@jcfkc.org](mailto:BFine@jcfkc.org). The application deadline is **February 28, 2021**.

### A.A. & ETHEL YOSSEM SCHOLARSHIP AT CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY

Creighton has established the A. A. and Ethel Yossem Scholarships, available only to Jewish students entering any of Creighton's undergraduate programs or the law school. Details can be obtained by contacting Dr. Leonard Greenspoon at (402) 280-2304 or the University's Department of Admissions at 1-800-282-5835 or (402) 280- 2703 or on the Admissions page at [www.creighton.edu](http://www.creighton.edu).

### ALBERT & ELEANOR FELDMAN FAMILY ISRAEL FOUNDATION FUND

This fund was created to honor and perpetuate the philanthropic goals of Albert & Eleanor Feldman. Their wish is to implement and enhance the relationship of metro-Omaha Jewry with Israel, to bring Omaha Jewry closer to their homeland and to recognize how important Israel is to the preservation of the Jewish people. This Foundation will provide scholarship funds for Birthright Israel trips for young adults, teen trips to Israel, and for assisting Jews from the Metropolitan Omaha area make Aliyah to Israel. Financial need will be considered. To apply or for more information, please contact Diane Walker at (402) 334-6551 or [dwalker@jewishomaha.org](mailto:dwalker@jewishomaha.org). Applications are due by **March 1, 2021**.

### BRUCE M. FELLMAN CHARITABLE FOUNDATION TRUST

The family of Bruce M. Fellman established this scholarship fund in his memory. The fund provides scholarships to Jewish undergraduate students that meet eligibility requirements including financial need. Applications are due by **March 1, 2021**. To apply or for more information, please call Howard Koooper or Jan Roos, at Broadmoor Development Company, (402) 384-6471 or email [jroos@broadmoor.cc](mailto:jroos@broadmoor.cc).



### **ROBERT H. AND DOROTHY G. KOOPER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION TRUST**

This fund was created to honor the memories Robert and Dorothy Kooper and their many years of service to the Omaha Jewish community. The fund provides scholarships to Jewish undergraduate students that meet eligibility requirements including financial need. Applications are due by **March 1, 2021**. To apply or for more information, please call Howard Kooper or Jan Roos, at Broadmoor Development Company, (402) 384-6471 or email [jroos@broadmoor.cc](mailto:jroos@broadmoor.cc).

### **BENNETT G. HORNSTEIN ENDOWMENT FUND**

The family and friends of the late Bennett G. Hornstein endowed this fund to provide scholarships for aspiring law students. Students must be enrolled at either the University of Nebraska College of Law or Creighton University School of Law and display a commitment to community service. Applications are available at [www.bghendowment.org](http://www.bghendowment.org). Contact Diane Walker at (402) 334-6551 or [dwalker@jewishomaha.org](mailto:dwalker@jewishomaha.org) with questions. Applications are due by **April 12, 2021**.

### **NATAN & HANNAH SCHWALB UNO SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Natan and Hannah Schwalb Scholarship Fund is available at the University of Nebraska Omaha for undergraduate students referred by the Jewish Federation of Omaha. Criteria include financial need, participation in extracurricular activities, class rank, and/or GPA. Interested students should complete the general scholarship application in MavLINK once they are admitted to UNO. This application is used for nearly all scholarship opportunities at UNO. Applications for the Schwalb scholarships are due **February 1, 2021**. For additional information, contact the University of Nebraska Omaha Financial Aid office at (402) 554-2327.

### **THEODORE M. & SARAH N. SELDIN SCHOLARSHIP IN REAL ESTATE LAW**

Ted and Sarah Seldin have endowed a scholarship in real estate law at the University of Iowa Law School. The tuition scholarship will be awarded to law students who demonstrate financial need and share Seldin's interest in improving the quality of life in the Midwest through well planned real estate development, including the preservation of affordable housing. Preference is given to students from eastern Nebraska and western Iowa. For information, call (319) 335-9142 or 800-553-IOWA, ext. 914 or email [law-financialaid@uiowa.edu](mailto:law-financialaid@uiowa.edu).

## SOKOLOF MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

These scholarships are awarded by the Sokolof Scholarship Committee of the Jewish Federation of Omaha Foundation. Criteria differ from those used by the Financial Aid Committee. Applicants must have lived in the Omaha metropolitan area for at least the past two years.

### THE PHIL & RUTH SOKOLOF HONOR ROLL SCHOLARSHIP

**\$10,000 merit scholarships** for college or university education to two graduating Jewish high school students in recognition of their overall good character, scholastic performance, personal achievements, and community service.

**\$10,000 merit scholarships** to two Jewish students currently attending college or university who are pursuing a course of study leading to a career in the field of health care.

### THE KAREN SOKOLOF JAVITCH MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

**Up to two annual merit scholarships** to Jewish students currently attending college, university or music conservatory who are majoring in or pursuing a degree in music performance, composition or music education.

Application information is available on the Jewish Federation of Omaha Foundation's website at [www.jfofoundation.org](http://www.jfofoundation.org). Applications can also be requested by contacting Sokolof Scholarship Coordinator, Diane Walker, at (402) 334-6551.

### Nominate a Teacher Who Has Made a Difference

*The Phil and Ruth Sokolof Honor Roll Fund will present an annual \$10,000 award to a Jewish teacher currently teaching in the Omaha metropolitan area, with preference to those who teach K-12. This award recognizes outstanding contributions as a teacher and mentor to the education and overall achievements of his/her students. You may nominate a teacher by writing why you think he/she deserves to win this Sokolof award. Be sure to include the teacher's school, your name and telephone number. (There is no limit to the number of times a teacher can be nominated.) The nomination is due by March 1, 2021, to the Teacher's Award Committee, Jewish Federation of Omaha Foundation, 333 South 132 Street, Omaha, NE 68154. Contact Diane Walker at (402) 334-6551 or [dwalker@jewishomaha.org](mailto:dwalker@jewishomaha.org) with any questions.*

**SOKOLOF APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2021**

## SCHOLARSHIPS FROM AREA SYNAGOGUES

***Beth El Synagogue** offers service grants for Jewish camps and Israel programs, for children of members, and financial assistance to synagogue members for other programs.*

### **Beth El Synagogue**

14506 California Street

Omaha, NE 68154

(402) 492-8550

Youth Programs – Eadie Tsabari, Director of Educational Learning

Other Programs – Allison Newfeld, Executive Director

***Beth Israel Synagogue** has funding for Jewish summer camps, and Israel programs, high school and post-high school study, youth group events, and other educational experiences. Beth Israel also provides a tuition grant at Friedel Jewish Academy for synagogue members.*

### **Beth Israel Synagogue**

12604 Pacific Street

Omaha, NE 68154

(402) 556-6288

Liora Herskovitz, Executive Director

***Temple Israel** has funding available to meet a wide variety of its congregants' needs. For further information, please contact:*

### **Temple Israel**

13111 Sterling Ridge Drive

Omaha, NE 68144

(402) 566-6536

Nate Shapiro, Executive Director



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