

# **Council Matters**

### **May 2023**

## Baltimore Celebrates Israel: Showcasing 75 years of Technology and Innovations



Tuesday, May 2, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. Baltimore Museum of Industry Tickets \$18

This is your last chance to register to join the Baltimore Jewish Council, Maryland/Israel Development Center, and The Associated: Jewish Federation of Baltimore in a celebration featuring a showcase of Israeli companies and technologies in Maryland, speeches by elected officials and

community leaders, video presentations highlighting Maryland's partnerships with Israel, and drawings for two roundtrip tickets from Dulles International Airport to Tel Aviv courtesy of United Airlines (restrictions apply\*).

The evening will begin with a cocktail hour featuring Israeli wines and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Dietary laws observed.

For more information contact Kate McDonald atkmcdonald@baltic.org.

\*Associated agencies, staff and family members are not eligible for the drawing. Winners must be over the age of 18 and present at the May 2nd event.

Register Here

#### Fighting Jew-hate with Jewish Pride



Join the BJC and BZD for a program to identify, combat, and work to end acts of antisemitism in the community and on social media. We will be in conversation with internationally renowned Jewish author and educator with an active social media presence, Ben M. Freeman, to discuss the importance of Jewish Pride as a way to counter Jew-hate faced by teens online and in the wider world.

Thursday, May 11, at 6:00 PM, at Beth Tfiloh Dahan Community School's Crane Auditorium.

The program is open to all, with an emphasis on teens and their parents. Includes Dinner (Pizza).

#### **BJC's Annual Meeting Set for June 5**



Join the Baltimore Jewish Council for our annual meeting on Monday, June 5, starting at 5:00 p.m., at Congregation Bnai Jacob Shaarei Zion, 6600 Park Heights Avenue.

More information to come soon, as we finalize speakers, food, and drinks.

Learn More & Register
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#### A Recap of the Legislative Session



The 444th session of the Maryland General Assembly concluded on April 10, 2023, and we are delighted to share details about the legislative accomplishments in Annapolis. Governor Moore has already signed a few priorities into law, including ensuring that Maryland will recognize International Holocaust Remembrance Day each January 27th and moving the 2024 Presidential Primary Election Date, so it doesn't interfere with the

observance of Passover. Important bills were also approved in such areas as combating hate crimes and protecting vulnerable seniors. Additionally, funding was secured for capital improvement expansion projects at Pearlstone and the Weinberg Park Heights JCC Campus.

Please take a moment to read through our full legislative report, which details the important legislation passed and dollars secured for the Jewish Community. These accomplishments would not have been possible without wide ranging support.

View Legislative Report Here

#### **Social Justice Teen Fellowship Podcast Launches**



Season 3 of BJC and ECYP's Social Justice Podcast "Justice is Not Just Us" has officially launched! Episode 1: The Aftermath: Sexual Violence aims to equip sexual violence survivors and their loved ones with valuable information and tactics to recover from trauma. Episode one is now available here as well as on Spotify and Apple Podcasts. New episodes will continue to release over the next few weeks every Monday! We hope you enjoy!

# Applications are now open for the next cohort of the Social Justice Teen Fellowship (STJF)



This coming year, SJTF fellows will meet in-person once a month to work alongside other teens as well as a dedicated team of professionals and facilitators to create their own social justice project. This opportunity is open to all rising 10th, 11th, and 12th graders and is free of charge. If you or someone you know is interested, please visit Baltjc.org/SJTF to learn more and submit an application today.

Learn More & Apply

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