## SOCIAL ACTION

# **Expand Your Heart and Mind**



# SPRING 2019 NEWSLETTER

## **Get Involved: Social Action Opportunities**

April 16 and May 21: Manna Packing, 7 pm

Follow this link to register. Note, too, that Manna has seen especially high demand recently. We encourage members to donate money and food. Non-perishable food items can be dropped off at Adat Shalom at any time.

Shepherd's Table: Check with <u>Steve Parker</u> for dates and to sign up for Shepherd's Table for April and May.

#### Meals for the Women's Shelter

We are gearing up for our week of meal service to the women at the Interfaith Works Women's Center (formerly CBS). This is a wonderful opportunity for direct service and all are welcome to participate, ages 8 and up. The shelter relies on volunteers for 100% of its food for the residents. We will begin by serving dinner on Sunday August 18 and finish with lunch on August 23. We will need volunteers to purchase and/or prepare breakfast to be delivered to the shelter, bag lunches to be delivered to the shelter, and to prepare and serve one or two courses of dinner as part of a dinner crew each day. Please contact Debbie Tipton (click for email or call her at 301-989-8851) with any questions or to volunteer.

Sukkot in Spring: May 19



Adat Shalom will renovate the kitchen for the Mitchell-Ross family in DC. The homeowner, who has multiple sclerosis, has lived in her house for 21 years. Her daughter and her two granddaughters—a toddler and a baby—live with her. The family does not have a working kitchen: the sink faucet is broken, the stove and oven don't work, and there are no kitchen cabinets since they fell off the wall. For years, this family has been cooking solely with a hot plate and microwave. We will also repair the first-floor bathroom and leaky roof. Sign up here to volunteer for a half day or full day of teamwork, fun and helping others, or contact Jerry Kickenson.



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### Racial Justice Film and Discussion Series: Charm City

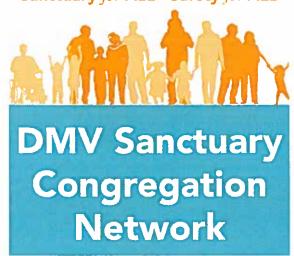
#### Sunday, April 14, 6:15 pm (doors open at 6)

Charm City, a document by Marilyn Ness, features the perspectives of residents, police, community advocates, and government officials who have been on the front lines, taking positive actions to address three years of escalating violence on the streets of Baltimore. After the film, Alex Long from Safe Streets, which works with youth to fight violence, and Brandy H.M. Brooks, a member of the Board for Montgomery County Renters Alliance and IMPACT Silver Spring will join us for a discussion.

The event is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be provided. Co-sponsored by Jews United for Justice. Please RSVP at jufj.org/cc-documentary/.

#### ADAT SHALOM JOINS THE DMV SANCTUARY CONGREGATION NETWORK





In March, the Board approved the recommendation from the Social Action Committee that Adat Shalom join the DMV Sanctuary Congregation Network. This local network of congregations of multiple faiths provides support for immigrants facing deportation and profiling. Our participation in the Network will provide our members with additional opportunities to be involved in immigration issues, including direct support for immigrants in need and advocacy at local, state and national levels. Opportunities to help will be communicated regularly. If interested in learning more, contact Jerry Kickenson.

# Refugee Family Project – Achrei Oneg, June 15

After services on June 15, join Refugee Family Project leaders Jayme Epstein, Evi Rezmovic, and Emily Novick and others who have worked with our family to learn about the plusses and challenges of sponsoring a refugee family and to discuss whether Adat Shalom should sponsor a second family – and who will lead the next round.

For more information on Adat Shalom's Social Action Committee, contact one of the Co-Chairs, <u>Carol Bloomberg</u> or <u>Jayme Epstein</u>.