

SHABBAT MESSAGE
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Hi Everyone,

I hope you've had a great week! This week's message is a bit different. As I mentioned in my last message, we just kicked off our campaign to support our Bonnie and Donald Dwares JCC, to make sure we have the resources that make this gem of our community even better! So rather than stay in one place, I wanted to take you around the building to show you the impact your support of our *LIFT the J* campaign can have.

We'll start here in the art studio. Each day kids of all ages use this space to engage in a variety of art classes. Over the next year, we plan to continue to expand our offerings to include more adult classes like pottery. Support for this campaign will allow us to purchase new tables for the room that will let us expand our capacity and create a better experience for our artists of all ages.

One of the joys of working at the Dwares JCC is hearing the laughter of the children in our early childhood program. Every day they play out here on the playground, and with your help, we'll be able to upgrade some of the equipment for the kids.

It's also our hope that the JCC will be an even bigger gathering place for the community over the next three years. I truly believe this building is one of the best tools our community has for fighting antisemitism, because it's a place where our entire community can gather, and those who are not Jewish can be immersed in the Jewish values and customs that we hold dear. To that end, we hope to transform this patio space with tables and chairs to make it even more inviting for everyone who comes to our building.

These are just some of the things we are hoping to do to make the Dwares JCC the best Jewish Community Center in the United States. And we can only do that with your help. Thank you to everyone who helped us kick off our fundraising on 401Gives Day. If you haven't already, I hope that you will consider a gift to our *LIFT the J* campaign which will run through May 1. You can learn more, and you can donate, at the link included with this email.

Until next time, I wish you a safe, peaceful, and joyous Shabbat.

Shabbat Shalom!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adam".

Adam Greenman
President & CEO