



Dear PJCC Community Members:

Thank you for your support of the Center and for your good will at this unprecedented time in our collective lives. The PJCC is shaped and influenced by each of you and your families and by our incredible staff, volunteers, and donors. Making the decision to close the Center and wrestling with the impacts of the mandated shelter-in-place order have been among the most difficult challenges that I and my team have wrestled with in our careers. There is some comfort though in knowing that the closure was necessary to help protect our community.

**Our commitment to you is that we will continue to provide innovative fitness experiences, opportunities to connect, and engaging classes and learning - all through our soon-to-be unveiled Virtual JCC (more to follow in a day or two).** This content will be free of charge. We are opening our virtual doors and our hearts to support you and the larger community in the ways we can. For now that will be online, until we can come together again in person at our beloved PJCC.



As a Community Center, we put people at the top of our priority list – you, our members and participants, and our amazing staff. Many of you have contacted me to check-in about our employees – you've asked about Bob in Security, Rabbi Lavey as he prepares for Passover, and Gina, Claire, and the whole Aquatics team. You've sent messages of support to staff that work with our beloved elders, with our young learners at Preschool and Treehouse, and with our fitness enthusiasts of all ages. Please know that our leadership team is working around the clock to provide our dedicated staff with as much support and continuity as possible during this challenging time. **The support that we receive from you, our community—whether in the form of membership dues, tuition, class fees, or direct donations—is the lifeblood that allows us to serve.**

Thank you for your patience with us as we have begun working through the logistics of a mandated shutdown and as we adjust to daily updates in recommendations from health officials. Many of you have questions about tuition, membership dues and programs. Much is still being determined, and here is what I can tell you right now.

#### **Center Membership:**

**All membership accounts will be placed on hold for April, so you will not be billed on April 1.** When we re-open we will resume billing automatically, unless you have put your account on freeze. **That said, the PJCC primarily relies on membership dues to pay our incredible staff. If you are able to help us support our staff by keeping your membership active for the time being, we humbly ask you to [click here](#), add your name and hit "send."** Our team will be immensely grateful.

**Virtual JCC:** In the meantime, we want to help you stay healthy and connected and the PJCC will continue to be there for you! A few days ago, we sent out a link to a free series of [95 Les Mills fitness workouts](#) that you can do at home. And we are putting the finishing touches on our Virtual JCC that will be accessed through <http://pjcc.org>. The collection of online offerings will include PJCC fitness classes with our instructors that you know and love. And we will upload meaningful Jewish Life content with Rabbi Lavey and engaging Youth & Family activities, games, and learning presented by our fantastic staff.

#### **Preschool and Treehouse @ the J:**

**Tuition will be frozen, so you will not be billed on April 3.** When we reopen, we will resume billing. In the meantime, our Preschool teachers and Treehouse staff are all working hard to stay connected with your kids and to help you at home. For the preschool, we are providing daily content sent via our community email platform, as well as virtual, interactive events with our teachers. And Treehouse is sending content via email multiple times a week, as well as offering virtual, interactive enrichments for our students.

As with Fitness, the Preschool and Treehouse both rely on tuition to pay our amazing teachers and staff. In lieu of tuition, if you are able, [please make a donation to help support our staff](#). It would mean the world to Rachel, Avril, Char, Renee, and all the ECE teachers, and to Nicole and her Treehouse team.

#### **Swim Lessons and Swim Team:**

**We will not bill for April.** When we reopen, we will resume billing automatically. We can't wait to see you at the pool as soon as we are able.

#### **Other Programs:**

The CDC is now recommending that all programs with 50+ people be cancelled through

the start of May. We will be communicating separately with people registered for upcoming and previously cancelled events very soon. In the meantime, we are also working on virtual opportunities for programs as well. From mindfulness meditation to Zoom Passover Seders, stay tuned for options to engage with your PJCC family online. If you're inclined to help support Jewish Life and Jewish Family programs, Cultural Arts, Adults, and our social justice initiative Count Me In, I know that Rabbi Lavey, Jeni, Karin, Kimberly, Jane, David, Rachel and Sue, Michele, and all the other staff who work so very hard every day will appreciate it immensely.

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Thank you all for your love, generosity and patience. We know that you are working hard to care for yourself and your loved ones during this most uncertain time. All of us are feeling apprehensive as we adjust to new realities. Staying in touch with community is a vital lifeline for all of us. I promise that as we move ahead, we will keep exploring every opportunity to stay connected and healthy. This is truly a team effort, and the staff leadership have been tireless in their efforts. I want to take this opportunity to publicly thank Fred, Laura, Stephanie, Kelly, and Seth and all our managers and directors for giving so much of themselves to help us work through this truly challenging time.

May you and yours remain well, and may we all be together again at the PJCC very soon,

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