Advocacy

Advocating for legislation and human service policy reform in the United States and Canada.

- Developed a targeted Community Pandemic Response and Recovery Policy Agenda focusing on food insecurity, health and mental health, and workforce and employment.
- Secured expansions of key poverty-fighting programs in the American Rescue Plan: Child Tax Credit and Earned Income Tax Credit.
- Advocated for Inclusion of audio-only coverage from Medicare/Medicaid for tele-mental health services.

Innovation

Leveraging the strength and resources of over 150 member agencies, the Network provides timely and responsive solutions to challenges.

- Employment Services for Persons with Disabilities: landscape analysis completed and best practice program models identified in collaboration with the Corporation for a Skilled Workforce and Respectability.
- Youth & Adolescent Mental Health: facilitating integration and collaboration between clinical providers and Jewish education and engagement organizations with Jewish Federations of North America Teen Funder Collaborative.
- Year 2 Jewish Poverty Challenge: 14 member agencies received consultation and coaching.

The Network has harnessed relationships with national philanthropists and the federal government that might not otherwise be available to us, focusing attention, funding and opportunities for distributing ideas locally and across the network.

Jerry Rubin, CEO, JVS Boston

How we use our time as leaders is more important now than ever before. Spending my time on Network activities is ALWAYS valuable. I always walk away with fresh insights, deeper understanding, and peers I can reach out to for advice and support.

Network Membership is one of the best investments we make.

Elise Herzig, Executive Director, JIAS Toronto

The thought leadership opportunities to showcase our organization on a national stage have led to increased credibility and sought-after expertise.

Marla Kaufman, Executive Director, JAAN

Best Practices

Promoting and sharing Best Practices through Affinity Groups, Conferences, Learning Cohorts, webinars, newsletters, social media, and an interactive virtual Resource Library.

- Connecting members through 26 Affinity Groups.
- 5,137 professionals and lay leadership attended a total of 162 affinity group meetings.
- 1,800 human service professionals and volunteers attended 2021 conference in partnership with Neshama: Association of Jewish Chaplains.

Partnerships

Securing opportunities for funding, training, consulting, and planning to build capacity and impact for member agencies through strategic and meaningful partnerships.

- Awarded $860,023 in capital grants to support 17 member agency food insecurity programs.
- 21 member agencies received expert coaching to advance technology projects.
- 11 member agencies received funding to bring the Uniper interactive platform to at-risk older adults and Holocaust Survivors.

Financial Savings

Providing members with discounted access to products, services and resources.

- 15% discount on a wide range of continuing education resources for home care agencies throughout North America.

New Vendors

- Nevvon
- Sage Intacct

Continued Partner Saving Opportunities

Network sponsored Health Insurance, Purchasing Point Group Buying Discounts, Sterling's Background Screening for Volunteers, Galaxy Digital's Volunteer Management Software, and Greenspace Mental Health technology platform.