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# The Hub

Your bridge to Jewish Edmonton



## A MESSAGE FROM CEO STACEY LEAVITT-WRIGHT

The Jewish month of Elul has just started, a period of self-reflection and readiness for the High Holy Days. The challenges we've faced this year have exceeded our expectations. Elul is even more significant as we get ready to commemorate October 7, although it is still October 7 in Israel for many.

Ongoing rocket attacks plague the northern region, resulting in shattered communities and displaced families, while 101 hostages remain in captivity. In the diaspora, we are witnessing an alarming rise in antisemitism.

How do we stay strong in the face of despondency?

According to the prophet Isaiah, the only way to escape despondency and crushed hope is by actively pursuing goodness with others.

During this period of introspection, I am delighted to introduce our new United Jewish Appeal (UJA) campaign, "As One". This campaign goes beyond raising funds; it is a call to action for us to unite to assist those in need and to reinforce the values that bind us together. It demonstrates our combined resilience and determination to create change, both domestically and globally. I invite you to join us in this campaign, to contribute what you can, and to stand as one community united in our mission to support and uplift each other.

The Jewish Federations, at the core of an unbreakable spirit, are the foundation supporting Jewish communities globally. We are the united strength that sustains Jewish life, not only during crises, but every day.

The Jewish Community Centre project is a symbol of hope and rejuvenation for

our community. This new facility will be a place of connection, learning, and resilience, offering a vibrant space where we can gather, grow, and strengthen our bonds as we move forward together.

Your support is not just charity, but a powerful testament to our resilience and dedication to each other, and I am deeply thankful. Your united commitment has been the bedrock of our combined accomplishments and the driving factor behind our shared vision for a better, more vibrant Jewish future.

May this month of Elul bring us closer together and may we find strength and renewal in our collective efforts to support, uplift, and protect each other.

Shanah Tovah U'Metukah- may we all experience a sweet new year.

Reach out to us on social media or by emailing [info@edjfed.org](mailto:info@edjfed.org).



Imagine the impact  
we'll have in 5785 *As One*

Happy Rosh Hashanah  
from our Federation  
board and staff

You are invited to:

## 2024 Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, December 4  
7 P.M.  
Beth Shalom Synagogue  
Read the official notice at [jewishedmonton.org](http://jewishedmonton.org).

## FARM TO TABLE BRUNCH

Sunday, October 20  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Tickets \$18  
Register at  
[jewishedmonton.org](http://jewishedmonton.org)  
Kosher brunch from locally  
sourced farm fresh ingredients

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## October 7<sup>th</sup>

### Marking One Year

#### Community Commemoration

Save the date  
Monday, October 7  
7:30 p.m.  
Doors open at 6:30 p.m.  
Beth Israel Synagogue

Please bring government ID to show  
when signing in at the door

### Join Us

## A conversation with Yonah Bob

Jerusalem Post senior military analyst

Israel under attack on all fronts  
Iran comes out of the shadows, and  
the future of Gaza and the region

Tuesday, October 29  
7 p.m.  
Beth Shalom Synagogue

Yonah Jeremy Bob is a journalist, author, and lecturer. He covers diplomacy, security, Mossad, war crimes-BDS, cyber warfare, and politics.

His book, Target Tehran, was a top five Wall Street Journal 2023 book of the year.

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