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## A MESSAGE FROM CEO STACEY LEAVITT-WRIGHT



As we look ahead to Passover, our annual celebration of liberation and collective purpose, I find myself reflecting on what it truly means to move forward together as a community. The story we retell each year is not only about leaving Egypt—it is about a people choosing to step into the unknown side by side, trusting that shared action can lead to transformation.

Over the past months, we have heard from so many of you who feel a deep desire to do something—to support one another, to stand visibly as Jews, and to strengthen the bonds that hold our community together. That instinct is powerful. But its impact becomes even greater when it is expressed collectively. Community doesn't happen in the abstract. It happens when you show up—at events, at gatherings, in moments of celebration and moments that require courage and resilience.

We have seen this spirit in action across Edmonton. You have attended programs, volunteered your time, and engaged in dialogue. At the same time, we are watching our shared vision take physical shape as construction on the new Oshry | Kipnes Jewish Community Centre continues to progress on schedule. Each milestone reached is building not only walls and spaces, but a renewed sense of excitement about what this hub of Jewish life will mean for generations to come. Together, these moments—showing up for one another and investing in our collective future—are strengthening the foundation of our community.

As we prepare for Passover, I invite you to think about the symbolism of the Seder table: a place where generations gather, where stories are shared, and where everyone contributes something to the experience. This is what we aspire to

build throughout the year—a community woven from many voices, strengthened by participation, and animated by a shared sense of responsibility.

In the weeks ahead, we encourage you to take part in Yom Hashoah, Yom HaZikaron, Yom Ha'atzmaut, and the 30th anniversary of the Edmonton Jewish Film Festival, events that bring our community to life. Your involvement—whether small or large—helps shape the future we are building together.

May this season inspire renewed commitment, meaningful connection, and the hope that comes from knowing we journey forward as one community.

Chag Pesach Sameach.

Register for our upcoming events at [jewishedmonton.org](http://jewishedmonton.org).

### 2026 Yom HaZikaron

Please join us for the annual Yom HaZikaron ceremony, commemorating Israel's fallen soldiers and victims of terror.

Monday, April 20

The gathering starts at 7 p.m.

The ceremony starts at 7:30 p.m.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 22

Doors open 5:15 p.m.

Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Celebration to follow

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### Yom HaShoah

Save the date  
Community Commemoration  
Tuesday, April 14 | 7 p.m.

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