



MyZuzah Moments - February 24, 2023

Next Tuesday (2/28), our team is hosting an information call for **Jewish Family Services** staff across the U.S. to detail our program in support of **victims/survivors of domestic abuse and violence**. We are halfway through the grant period, and there are still many communities we hope to reach and enlist in offering mezuzahs to those in need!

With just a few weeks to go, we have finalized planning for the joint program in **Chicago** with [Holocaust Community Services](#) and [Anshe Emet Synagogue](#) on 3/19 to bring volunteer families into local apartment buildings and offer mezuzahs and visit to residents who are Holocaust survivors. With an orientation, learning session, and training for the volunteers, it should be a busy and impactful day in the Windy City.

Through **Kulanu**, we were introduced to the [Sub-Saharan African Jewish Alliance](#), which serves **50 communities across 10 countries** in Sub-Saharan Africa. We are excited to build a relationship and help ameliorate the challenges they face of obtaining mezuzahs for their homes.

Finally, this Sunday we are excited to kick off the first of three **PJ Library** programs in the DC-area, starting at the **Bender JCC in Rockville, Maryland**. Over 30 families have registered to participate in a calligraphy workshop, case decoration, learning about mezuzahs, and a reading of a PJ Library book. Next month, we will be at the **Edlavitch DC JCC**, followed by a program at the **Pozetz JCC of Northern Virginia**.

Partner Updates:



Rabbi Mendy Cohen of **St. George, Utah**, made Dan and Miriam Weiss a very happy family!

In **Hong Kong**, Rabbi Ariel Javasky of **Ohel Leah Synagogue** shared a picture of a family placing their new mezuzah:



Rabbiner Aaron Bachkala, of Rottweil, Germany, sent us photos from his recent work in the community:



Individual Stories:



I recently converted and am so excited to finally have my own mezuzah!
Steph Quainoo, New Haven, CT

After separating from the army and starting work in real estate, it is great to have something Jewish that ties me to my new profession. Lisa Fay Zelman, **New Bern, NC**



Etaiy Dayani, Los Angeles, CA

I had to move suddenly due to antisemitic persecution in my city, but today I moved into a safe home with my spouse and was able to put up my mezuzzah! Hunter Altschul, **Wilton Manors, FL**

