

JEWISH AGGIES

Appreciation Report | Winter 2020



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YOU TOLD JEWISH AGGIES YOU WANTED TO KEEP THEM SAFE -YOU ARE!

We set out to a Semester full of **unknowns**. Freshman and returning Aggies showed up on campus stressed, anxious and uncertain. We launched the 'Got you Covered' campaign because we knew you wanted to give Jewish college students a **safe space to connect**. We knew you care about **mental health** on campus. You knew how badly Jewish Aggies crave connection in times of isolation. Your giving and partnership is an **investment in the Jewish future**,

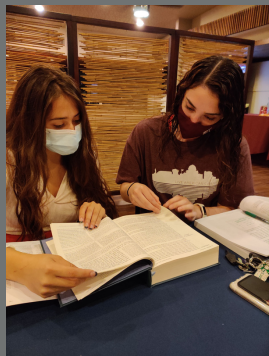
You gave Aggies a warm, safe, robust semester of nurturing and stability. We hope you enjoy a glimpse of some of your accomplishments and progress to date. Take a look at the lives you have touched and your upgrades and achievements. **THANK YOU!**

Rabbi Yossi & Manya



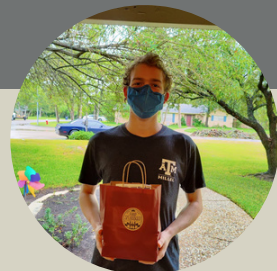
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SEMESTER ROUNDUP

Your impact in one semester



CHANGES YOU MADE THIS SEMESTER

BUILDING

- 10 ton 2 phase AC unit **\$25,000**
- Outdoor Pavilion **\$40,000**
- Certified Hepa Filter **\$5000**
- Aggieland Kosher Store with curbside pick up. **\$10,000**
- UV Germicidal and Sanitation **\$2,000**
- Outdoor Hand Washing **\$1000**
- Supplies and packaging for Covid-safe meals and events **\$10,000**
- **SUBTOTAL: \$93,000**

SUPPORT

- New Text Based RSVP system. **\$2500**
- Shabbat & Holidays Food ToGo option for students to celebrate Shabbat safely. **\$9000**
- Reusable Masks Distributed to students and Alumni **\$4000**
- 8000 disposable masks **\$2000**
- Suicide prevention workshop **\$1000**
- Puppy Therapy Socials **\$250**
- Cookies for a Cause **\$500**
- Blood Drive **\$500**
- 1 on 1 Counseling Support - **priceless**
- **SUBTOTAL: \$19,750**

PROGRAMMING

- Sukkah Food Truck visiting campus, homes, dorms. **\$1800**
- Daily lunch distribution throughout sukkot. **\$1000**
- Girls Dessert & Discussions **\$800**
- Guys Wing Nights Q&A **\$500**
- Graduate Student Socials **\$1500**
- Positivity Bias Course **\$1,000**
- Sinai Scholars Courses **\$4,850**
- Weekly Lunch and Learn **\$1000**
- Shabbat Outdoors **\$19,250**
- Freshman Socials & Outreach **\$1000**
- Holiday Meals **\$5000**
- Pink Shabbat **\$1000**
- **SUBTOTAL: \$38,700**
- **TOTAL: \$151,450**



EXPERIENCES YOU GIVE AGGIES

Unpredictable times call for out of the box thinking and out of the synagogue services. Tashlich at Central Park Lake, Yom Kippur services and break-the-fast outdoors. Bringing the Holidays and Jewish ritual to students doors; with Shabbat and Holiday Dinner To-Go, Sukkah food truck on demand and more.

You have given students so many opportunities to learn and grow and connect. From Sinai Scholars, part I & II to weekly leadership brunch, 1 on 1 learning and hands on opportunities, **Thank You for all you give Aggies daily.**

“I never knew that services could be so personal, real and relevant.”

-Sam

THE GIFT OF CALM

Zack Pokroy '20



Me and my friends didn't know a lot about this semester as things change regularly. We do know we can count on Shabbat-to-Go. **We can bring the calm, warmth of Shabbat in our own apartments and dorms.** Chabad provides everything we need to make Shabbat ours. We can light candles, make kiddush and most importantly have a serene time in the chaos of the week. Thanks to YOU, the donors who care to give us this **gift of connection, community and tranquility** when we need it so badly.

THIS AIN'T MY FIRST RODEO

Aaron Benjamin

As a post-doc researcher, I have been to undergrad and graduate school already. I was at universities with little or NO Jewish support or community. I had to combat anti-semitism and loneliness myself. **I lost my way as a Jew.**

Right when I got to Texas A&M University Chabad, I was welcomed and embraced effortlessly. **I never realized how badly I needed My people and My community.** I have seen the impact on my life in such a short time. Just one month here, I have made friends, recentered my week around Shabbat and have been able to access kosher food and community. Chabad makes sure we can be strong proud Jews in Aggieland and while many can lose their identity on University Campuses. Here in Aggieland it grows. Here I can be myself.



I CAN'T DESCRIBE THE FEELING



Mia Michaels

As a Freshman from California, I didn't know anyone. I was unsure how my first semester was going to be, especially with Covid. I was immediately embraced with love and support from Manya and Rabbi and the whole family. Chabad became my home away from home.

It is hard to describe how I feel, every time I walk through the doors of Chabad. There is always fresh food, a place to study and people who will make your day.

I am appreciative of Chabad and volunteer to cook and prep for Shabbat weekly. I have joined the leadership board and this is only my first semester.

Seeing the new outdoor Pavilion go up, made me smile. It keeps me and my friends comfortable and safe. I know Chabad will continue to grow, expand and get stronger with your support and help! Thank YOU for giving Freshman like me this Jewish home in Aggieland!

PACK THE PAVILION

*"I just love the new space
- calm, chill, a place to
relax and study. It is
exactly what we need."*

HELP FURNISH THE PAVILION FOR AGGIES THIS SPRING



Give Aggies a Chanukah gift they can use all year!



YES! I can make sure the student's outdoor space is safe, warm and inviting.

- ☐ I will Give a Chair \$75 (60 needed)
- ☐ I will Give a Tree in Planter \$150 (8 needed)
- ☐ I will Give a Bar Stool \$200 (8 needed)
- ☐ I will Give a window curtain \$250 (19 needed)
- ☐ I will Give a Ceiling Fan \$250 (10 needed)
- ☐ I will Give a Dining Table \$300 (8 needed)
- ☐ I will Give a Gas Fire Pit \$500 (4 needed)
- ☐ I will Give a Sofa \$1,000 (4 needed)
- ☐ \$ _____ Other (Everything is appreciated.)



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