

# POWER PASSION PROGRESS



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National Council of Jewish Women

# POWER, PASSION, PROGRESS A NEW ERA OF NCJW LEADERSHIP



The NCJW women who came before us go back to Hannah G. Solomon herself, who in 1893 put forth a daring vision that Jewish women in America could help to change the world. Her persistence in the repair of the world secured NCJW's place in history. NCJW members, supporters, and advocates put our Jewish values into action: power, passion, and progress — the combined strength that is NCJW.

## THERE IS POWER IN NUMBERS

Behind each of our advocates is a story of turning progressive ideals into action. Collectively, NCJW members have been part of just about every major progressive social movement in the United States during the past century and, in many cases, were at the forefront of pushing for change. This past year, we showed up in large numbers to rally for reproductive rights and contraceptive access. We lit up phone lines to urge our representatives and senators to take up our causes, such as an end to pay discrimination, access to family planning, and humane and equitable immigration reform. Thanks to [NCJW's Action Center](#) members, thousands of us sent email messages to our legislators, the president, and other public officials, to voice our concern about — and support for — critical issues ranging from promoting marriage equality to protecting the safety net for society's most vulnerable.



In local communities across the country, our section members used their collective voice to build the power to make meaningful social change. Our sections stood up and spoke out to save family planning in their communities, to fight anti-choice bills in their states, and to lead the charge for a fair and independent judiciary, while also making great strides helping women achieve "[higher ground](#)."

## OUR PASSION FOR OUR MISSION GIVES OUR POWER ITS CLOUT

NCJW volunteers and advocates from New York to California were leaders in shaping progressive change. We asserted our leadership and made progress through our broader campaigns, such as [Plan A: NCJW's Campaign for Contraceptive Access](#). With healthcare reform at the forefront of national debate, NCJW advocates worked tirelessly to include contraceptive coverage as part of the healthcare law, gathering electronic signatures to send to HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebellius through the "Plan A" Petition: Contraceptives Count as Preventive Care.

In Israel, we supported programs that empower women to become leaders for social change. The work of this year's [grantees](#) in a variety of arenas — economics, politics, education, domestic violence, and social justice — was a vital part of the broader movement for women's rights and social justice.



As part of our advocacy efforts, NCJW online advocates urged the Knesset to enact divorce reform and monitored closely the issue of gender-segregated buses, applauding the ruling by the Israeli Supreme Court condemning forced segregation of women on public bus lines.

### **OUR GOAL IS PROGRESS — FOR NCJW AND OUR NATION AS A WHOLE**

As we continue to move forward, representing NCJW's new era of leadership, we commit to building the next generation to fulfill Hannah's dream. We resolve to inspire, engage, and prepare the next wave of women leaders. We pledge to deepen relationships with coalition partners and forge new strategic partnerships to tackle the diverse issues that await our action.

In the pages to follow, you will see examples of our power, our passion, and our progress and the impact we have around the country and in Israel.

There is no better time than now to be a [member](#), [supporter](#), [advocate](#), and a leader of NCJW.

With a faith in the future and a belief in action,

Linda Slucker  
President, 2011–2014

Nancy K. Kaufman  
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**PICTURED (LEFT TO RIGHT): PICTURE 1:** NCJW CEO NANCY K. KAUFMAN AT THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB IN WASHINGTON, DC. (PHOTO: KRISTIAN WHIPPLE) **PICTURE 2:** [NCJW PENINSULA SECTION](#) MEMBERS MENTOR THEIR TEEN GROUP, GENERATION: NEXT. (PHOTO: PENINSULA SECTION) **PICTURE 3:** [NCJW NEW YORK SECTION'S](#) CHILDREN'S LITERACY PROGRAM BRINGS VOLUNTEERS, CHILDREN AND BOOKS AT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND DAY CARE CENTERS. (PHOTO: NEW YORK SECTION) **PICTURE 4:** FLORIDA STATE SENATOR AND NCJW PRESIDENT (1996–1999) NAN RICH IS HONORED AT THE ISRAEL BENEFIT LUNCHEON. (PHOTO: ANOUSH BAGDOYAN)



**“WE WILL NOT BE SILENT ON THIS ISSUE. AS ALWAYS WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO ENSURE THE PRESERVATION OF THIS KEY CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT.”**

Linda Slucker, NCJW President (2011–2014)

NCJW President Linda Slucker presenting Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) an NCJW “Voices for Reproductive Choices” T-shirt after the Stand Up for Women’s Health Rally on the Mall in Washington, DC.

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Nancy K. Kaufman, NCJW CEO

NCJW CEO Nancy K. Kaufman with the [NCJW Greater Detroit Section](#) at its Women of Vision event.

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“THE BUSINESS  
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Convention Attendee

Marcie Golden, Co-President, [NCJW Columbus \(OH\) Section](#) casts her vote at NCJW’s 45th National Convention.

PHOTO: LARA BIERNER



**“DEDICATED TO ENSURING THAT THE FEDERAL BENCH INCLUDES JUDGES WHO WILL UPHOLD FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, INCLUDING REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM, NCJW’S GRASSROOTS IS HEARTENED BY ELENA KAGAN’S CONFIRMATION AND PROUD TO HAVE PLAYED A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN HER ELEVATION TO THE SUPREME COURT.”**

Nancy Ratzan, NCJW President (2008–2011)

NCJW attends the ceremony at the White House to celebrate with President Obama and Vice President Biden the confirmation of Elena Kagan to United States Supreme Court.

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“THIS IS AN IMPORTANT TIME IN OUR NATION’S HISTORY. THANKS, NCJW, FOR RISING TO THE CALL!”

Launch Education Group, New York, NY

Stand Up for Women’s Health Rally and Lobby Day, April 7, 2011, soon after NCJW launched the Voices for Reproductive Choices campaign to save reproductive rights in March 2011.

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“NCJW BRINGS COMPASSION, KINDNESS AND CONSCIENCE TO THIS SOCIETY SO SORELY IN NEED OF IT. JEWISH VALUES ARE HUMAN VALUES, AVAILABLE TO ALL MANKIND.”

NCJW Advocate

NCJW joined more than 100 supporters at a rally in front of the Supreme Court in Washington, DC, as the justices were hearing *Wal-Mart v. Dukes* — a landmark civil rights case in which NCJW was an amicus.

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**“I VISITED THE NCJW ISRAEL GRANTING PROGRAM PROJECT NEVE MICHAEL, A CHILDREN’S VILLAGE LOCATED IN PARDES HANNA, WHICH SERVES CHILDREN FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY WHO ARRIVE UNDER TRAUMATIC CIRCUMSTANCES. OUR NCJW PROJECT SUPPORT PROVIDES THE IMMEDIATE NECESSITIES A YOUNGSTER MIGHT NEED WHEN ABRUPTLY REMOVED FROM THEIR HOME.”**

NCJW Israel Granting Program Supporter

The Neve Michael Children’s Village Emergency Crisis Center for Children in the North of Israel is an oasis for traumatized children from all over the country including Arabs, Ethiopians, and Russians.

**PHOTO:** NEVE MICHAEL

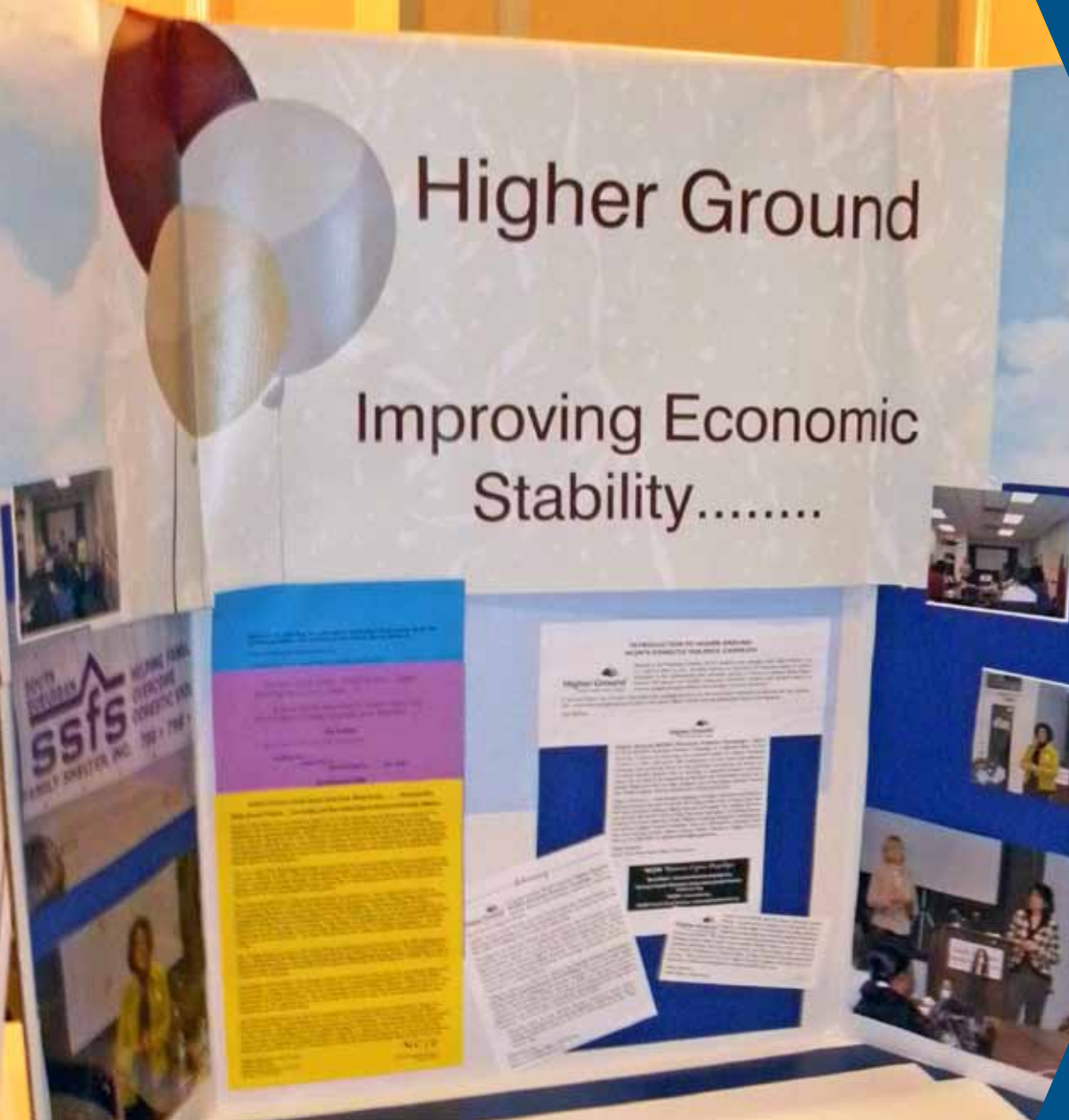


“IT’S GREAT BECAUSE A KID DOESN’T GET THIS STUFF, AND THEY NEVER GET IT FOR FREE. MY FAVORITE THINGS WERE THIS GREAT NEW BOOK BAG AND NOTEBOOKS.”

Fourth-grade Shopper

NCJW sections in [St. Louis, MO](#); [Essex County, NJ](#); and [Minneapolis, MN](#) run “Back 2 School” Stores to provide local, economically disadvantaged children with new clothing, school supplies, and personal care items — all free of charge.

PHOTO: ESSEX COUNTY SECTION



**“I’VE BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN ENDING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN FOR YEARS. I LOVE WORKING WITH NCJW ON THIS ISSUE. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!”**

Domestic Violence Prevention Advocate

NCJW Sections across the country are active in implementing [Higher Ground: NCJW’s Domestic Violence Campaign](#). The [NCJW South Cook \(IL\) Section’s](#) program was featured at the Section Showcase at NCJW’s 45th National Convention.

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**“THE NEW ACTION MAILER IS TERRIFIC! IT IS VERY INFORMATIVE AND WILL BE A GREAT TOOL IN LETTING OUR MEMBERSHIP KNOW WHAT WE STAND FOR AND ADVOCACY ISSUES THAT WE SUPPORT. IT TRULY SHOWS THAT NCJW IS ITS MISSION STATEMENT.”**

NCJW Section Leader

The Spring 2011 *NCJW in Action* mailer, titled “Don’t Let Our Progress Be Swept Away,” that was distributed to all members provided a current and historical overview of NCJW’s successes and ongoing efforts in promoting and securing rights in the workplace.



**LAUNCHED IN 2009, THE NCJW CENTER FOR SOCIAL CHANGE REFLECTS NCJW'S UNIQUE POSITION AS THE PREMIER PROGRESSIVE JEWISH WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION. THE CENTER PROVIDES A VENUE FOR DONORS TO DIRECTLY ALIGN THEIR PHILANTHROPIC COMMITMENT WITH THEIR BELIEFS AND PRINCIPLES. THEIR SUPPORT ENABLES NCJW TO FLOURISH AND EXPAND ITS REACH THROUGH TRANSFORMATIVE SOCIAL CHANGE ADVOCACY, COMMUNITY SERVICE, EDUCATION, AND PHILANTHROPIC WORK.**

Donors to the NCJW Center for Social Change with House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi at NCJW's 45th National Convention in Dallas.

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**NCJW'S PIONEERING ISRAEL PROGRAMS FOSTER AND SUPPORT EDUCATION, PROMOTE THE EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN, AND BRIDGE THE GAPS IN SOCIETY FOR ISRAEL'S MOST VULNERABLE WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES. IN SUPPORTING THESE EFFORTS, DONORS TO NCJW'S ISRAEL GRANTING PROGRAM AND TO OUR ADVOCACY AND COALITION WORK ARE HELPING TO EMPOWER A NEW GENERATION OF WOMEN AND CREATE A BRIGHT FUTURE FOR THE STATE OF ISRAEL AND ITS MOST AT-RISK COMMUNITIES.**

The Tsfachin project aims to facilitate the integration of the Ethiopian community, specifically children, leading to improved literacy skills and cognitive, social, and linguistic abilities.

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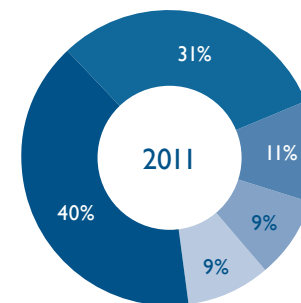
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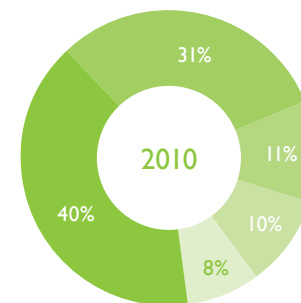
	FYE JUNE 30, 2011	FYE JUNE 30, 2010
<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$6,375,928	\$5,190,459
<b>Expenses and Other Charges</b>		
Program Services		
International	433,717	373,931
Domestic	1,194,560	1,103,322
Service to Members and Sections	1,551,836	1,410,500
Supporting Services		
General and Administrative	335,551	262,874
Development	361,690	357,196
<b>Total Expenses and Other Charges</b>	<b>\$3,877,354</b>	<b>\$3,507,823</b>
Changes in net assets before change in Value of split-interest agreements	2,498,574	1,682,636
Change in value of split-interest Agreements	35,784	(7,888)
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	15,588,001	13,913,253
Net Assets at End of Year	\$18,122,359	\$15,588,001
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Unrestricted	\$7,543,426	\$4,757,090
Temporarily Restricted♦	5,107,119	5,431,603
Permanently Restricted♦♦	5,471,814	5,399,308
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>\$18,122,359</b>	<b>\$15,588,001</b>

- ♦ Temporarily Restricted: Net assets resulting from contributions that are restricted to use for a specific purpose or time.
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Percentage of Total Expenses  
FYE JUNE 30, 2011

- Service to Members and Sections
- Domestic Program Services
- International Program Services
- Development
- General and Administrative



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