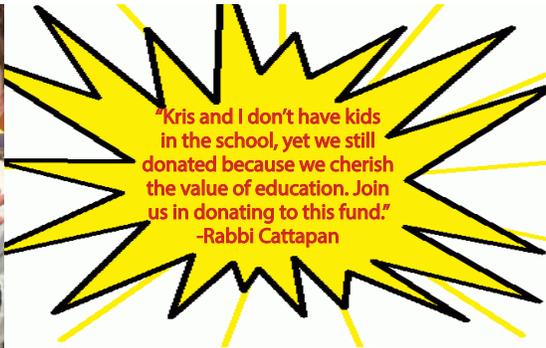


Educating Our Future NOW

A campaign to Sustain Chai (Life) at CBT through Education



From Consecration through Education to reach Confirmation

Continuing Beth Torah's innovative shift in membership commitment. Religious school fees are now included, and school enrollment has opened to the Jewish community

How can you help?

Why do we need the Educating our Future campaign?

Religious school tuition waived

The Board of Trustees, after collaboration with key committees and meeting with the general membership, voted unanimously in 2015 to eliminate tuition for the children of members to attend the Weiner Religious School.

“Learning is a key value not just of Beth Torah, but of Judaism itself. Providing a stimulating, motivating and enriching Jewish educational experience is the challenge before us today,” said Matt & Shanna Haun, Co-Presidents of Congregation Beth Torah.

Enrollment opened to the Jewish community

For the second year in a row, families do not need to be members to send their children to the Weiner Religious School. Our interest is to make it easier for children to receive a Jewish education, and demonstrate our excellence in education to attract potential members.

We invite our members to fund our future by making a financial investment in the education of our children in an effort to develop and grow our membership.



“Your tzedakah will support not only giving kids the solid Jewish foundation they need, but will help us inspire the next generation,” said Rabbi Javier Cattapan.

Thanks to a Challenge Grant, and the generosity of the Gloria Gershun bequest, the Bolter, Goettel, Gould-Cohen, Hammontree, Katz (Barry & Linda), Kershenbaum, Morgenstern, Sterneck and Zappulla families, we have already raised almost \$25,000 for this fiscal year.

	<u>2015-2016</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
Waived Tuition	\$53,000	\$53,000	\$53,000
Challenge Grant	\$9,300	\$9,300	\$9,300
Pledges Received		\$24,810	\$20,700
Tuition Donated	\$2,065	\$1,390	
Remaining Need		\$17,500	\$23,700
Total Raised	MET GOAL!		

Here's how YOU can help raise \$17,500:

1. Donate \$1,800 to sponsor a classroom for one year. Receive a plaque on a classroom of your choice, receive recognition in the Tekiah and High Holy Day Holiday program, and have an opportunity to share your Congregation Beth Torah journey with your classroom.
2. Honor friends and family and direct your donation to the Educating our Future fund.
3. Purchase a LEAF on the Tree of Life on display in the Ulam and direct your donation to the Educating our Future fund.
4. Donate your TIME and EXPERTISE to secure grant funds.
5. Do you have an event idea to share to help raise funds for Educating our Future?



Payment arrangements can be made, and must be completed by June 30, 2017.

Contact Samantha Hammontree (shammontree8@gmail.com) or Linda Zappulla (linda.zappulla@gmail.com) with any questions, or to let us know how you'd like to help.

As with all fundraising initiatives, donations in any amount are welcome to the Educating our Future fund.





We're asking all our members to participate in Educating our Future.

First, please serve as "Personal Beth Torah Ambassadors." Whether you have kids in the school or not, represent the school and our congregation. Invite your friends to check out our synagogue, and to experience first-hand how special religious school is at Beth Torah. The single best way for us to get 10 new families each year is for current families to connect us to people they know.

Second, donate if you can. Support the bold steps taken in support of a critical Beth Torah value of education, cited over and over during congregational focus groups.

To donate, visit our web site at Beth-Torah.org and click on the Donate Here at the upper right hand corner of our home page, or call the office at (913) 498-2212 and let them know you want to help **Educate our Future!**

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