In 2018, the Federation made significant progress in both Congress and the State Legislature, passing bills and securing funding to address the Top 2017-2018 concerns of the Jewish community as well as the issues of greatest importance to the community organizations who request our lobbying services.

### Funding and Budgets: 2018 Congressional Omnibus Legislation

**a. $60 million for the Non-Profit Security Grant Program**— Provides security hardening grants through FEMA to nonprofits, including Jewish institutions, of up to $75k, to address security vulnerabilities.

**b. $5 million to the Holocaust Survivor Assistance Program**— This public-private partnership leverages Federal dollars with trusted, experienced providers, like Jewish Family Service, to ensure the 30,000 Holocaust Survivors in the U.S. receive the trauma-informed, specialized care they need.

### 2018 WA State Supplemental Operating Budget

**a. Combat Rising Anti-Semitism and Hate in Washington’s K-12 Schools**—
   - i. **$100,000 to the Anti-Defamation League (ADL)** to increase the number of schools in Washington State served by an enhanced No Place for Hate program (The ADL’s Anti-Bias Education Program).
   - ii. **$100,000 to the Holocaust Center for Humanity** to create a comprehensive online encyclopedia of their educational resources to complement their teaching trunk program and reach more schools.

**b. Full funding of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Grant, $8 million**— TANF is a temporary grant that provides critical, flexible resources for families in financial hard times, allowing them to afford basic necessities like rent, car repairs, and personal items. Preserving TANF is a major priority of Jewish Family Service.

### 2017-2019 WA State Capital Budget

**a. $200,000 for Camp Solomon Schechter** to help update their aging infrastructure. This will allow Schechter to reach more students through OSPREY, their outdoor education program that reaches a majority of high-poverty schools—serving students who would otherwise be unable to participate in outdoor education experiences.

**b. $106 million for the Housing Trust Fund**, which creates affordable homes across WA State that help fill the gap between what low-income households can afford and what is available on the private market.
2018 Legislative Session Policy Wins:
Jewish Federation Supported Bills Signed into Law
Each issue area below reflects one of the top 2017-2018 concerns of the Jewish community.

**Fight Anti-Semitism & Other Forms of Religious Discrimination**
Top Priority bill for:
Anti-Defamation League (ADL)
Banning Religious Registry,
Rep. Standford, HB 2097

**Strengthen Services for Vulnerable Communities**
Top Priority bills for:
Jewish Family Service (JFS)
1. Document Recording Fee
   Rep. Macri, HB 1570
2. School Breakfast
   Rep. Stonier, HB 1508
3. Source of Income Discrimination
   Rep. Riccelli, HB 2578
4. Remove Asset Limits
   Rep. Pettigrew, HB 1831
5. Medical Records
   Rep. Sullivan, HB 1239
6. Reforming ABD/HEN Eligibility to Reduce Homelessness
   Rep. Macri, HB 2667

**Work toward Racial Equality**
Top Priority bills for:
Nat’l Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) and ADL
1. Fair Chance Act (Prohibits employer discrimination based on criminal history)
   Rep. Ortiz-Self, HB 1298
2. Legal Financial Obligation (LFO) Reform
   Rep. Holy, HB 1783

**Civil Liberties & Human Rights**
Top Priority bills for: ADL and NCJW
1. Equal Pay Opportunity Act
   Rep. Senn, HB 1506
2. Pre-Registration for 16-17 year-olds
   Rep. Bergquist, HB 1513
3. WA Voting Rights Act
   Rep. Saldaña, HB 6002
4. Extending Voter Registration
   Sen. Kuderer, SB 6021
5. Banning Conversion Therapy for Minors
   Sen. Liias, SB 5722

**Prevent Gun Violence**
Top Priority bills for: JFS and NCJW
1. Suicide/Do Not Purchase
   Sen. Pedersen, HB 1488
2. Bump Stock, Trigger Modification Devices
   Sen. Van De Wege, SB 5992

**Protect & Support Immigrants & Refugees**
Top Priority bills for: ADL and JFS
1. U Visa and T Visa Bill
   Rep. MacEwen, HB 1022
2. Protecting Financial Aid for DACA Students
   Rep. Hansen, HB 1488

The entirety of our legislative work illustrates that the Federation's advocacy, rooted in Jewish values and carried out collaboratively with our partner Jewish organizations, makes a lasting and impactful benefit—for our community and far beyond.