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## Jewish Heritage Foundation of Greater Kansas City Announces 2007 Core Agency Support Grant Awards

**KANSAS CITY, MO:** The Board of Directors of the Jewish Heritage Foundation of Greater Kansas City is pleased to announce its 2007 Core Agency Support grant awards. The Foundation has selected sixty-three agencies serving the general public in the Greater Kansas City metropolitan area, including Jackson, Clay and Platte counties in Missouri, as well as Johnson and Wyandotte counties in Kansas.

"We are delighted to provide over \$400,000 in operational support to Kansas City area agencies," Foundation Board President Daniel Scharf, M.D. noted. "Core agency support dollars are fundamental to the effective operation of an organization, yet often the most difficult to find. Our Foundation is pleased to offer funding for these expenses, such as rent, technological upgrades and strategic planning." The various grant awards range in value from \$2,500 to \$10,000.

This year, the Foundation has provided over \$2 million in grants, which includes approximately \$1.6 million in program, core agency support and congregational grants in the Kansas City Jewish community. A complete listing of 2007 grants awarded will be posted on the Jewish Heritage Foundation's website, [www.jhf-kc.org](http://www.jhf-kc.org), at the end of the calendar year.

The Jewish Heritage Foundation of Greater Kansas City was created in 1994 with the sale of Menorah Hospital to Health Midwest, and throughout the past twelve years, has dedicated itself to improving the quality of life to the citizens of the Greater Kansas City metropolitan area through its support of the area agencies who serve them.

Officers of the Foundation board are: Daniel L. Scharf, M.D., president; Sheryl T. Davidow, executive vice president; Howard T Jacobson, vice president-investments; Marilyn Berenbom, vice president-grants, James M. Klein, secretary; and Steven A. Gershon, treasurer.

Foundation board members include: Barbara Atlas, Stanley J. Bushman, Robin Carr, Bernard P. Erdman, Susan L. Goldsmith, Sharon Greenwood, Joseph L. Hiersteiner, Tom Isenberg, Gina Kaiser, Sue McCord-Belzer, Michael Milens, Rodney T. Minkin, Carol Sader, Jane Sosland, Ph.D., Ann Stern, Stanley P. Weiner, Jeanette Wishna, and Stanford A. Zeldin.

Foundation staff includes Ellen Kort, Executive Director; Cathy Boyer-Shesol, Senior Program Officer; and Marianne Mantel, Administrative Director.

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