



temple beth tikvah

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Dear Temple Beth Tikvah Friends,

It is with mixed emotions that I write to you today. Recently, we gathered in solidarity for our beloved homeland. The outpouring of grief, support, and love was overwhelming. It is exactly in times like these that I am especially grateful for our Jewish synagogue community. I am happy to say that our TBT family is strong.

Our High Holy Days, led by Rabbi Moss with assistance from our cantorial soloist, Rachel Policar, were especially meaningful this year as we were able to worship in our beautiful, renovated sanctuary after three years away.

Our preschool has moved into their expanded permanent space and continues to have a waiting list. We have a robust religious school, with one of the largest b'nei mitzvah classes in recent history, headed by our interim education director, Ira Wise. Our SALTY kids are figuratively and literally growing strong and traveling together to BBYO events. Torah study and other events can be held in the building once again. Except for a few things on the punch list, construction is finished! We have many new families who have joined us this year.

In order to continue to do all the things we do, TBT continues to need support for the operations of our synagogue. Therefore, I am reaching out to ask you to make a gift to this year's Annual Fund.

The Annual Fund provides essential support for the day-to-day operating expenses of our synagogue, critical resources to help offset increases in annual dues, and most importantly support for Jews living in our area, who otherwise could not financially afford to be a part of our congregational family.

We are grateful that we live in a generous community, and that over one third of our members contributed to the annual fund last year for a total of over \$54,000. We are hopeful that we can surpass this in 5784. Every contribution counts.

The Torah reminds each of us to give according to our ability. Tzedakah means righteousness and is a Jewish obligation. Please give generously, whether it is \$18, \$108, \$1,800, or more. A pledge form has been included for your tax-deductible gift. You can also make your donation online at www.tbtshoreline.org. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Sincerely,

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