Jewish Foundation of Cincinnati To Host Annual Meeting

The Jewish Foundation of Cincinnati will host its 16th Annual Meeting on Tuesday, October 30, 2012, at 7:00 pm, at the Mayerson JCC on The Jewish Foundation of Cincinnati Campus. The Foundation will report on its activity and investments from the past year, and the program will be followed by a Community Dessert Reception.

The program, which will be open to the public, will include a presentation by Jewish Foundation President Michael R. Oestreicher, who will brief the community on the Foundation’s new philanthropic approach, highlight some of its most significant early investments, and preview the priorities that the Foundation will address in the year ahead. Foundation Chairman Gary Heiman will provide an update on the organizational growth of the Foundation, and will also make a special presentation to Benjamin Gettler, a Founding Trustee and the Foundation’s first President, who retired from the Board of Trustees in March.

“We are eager to report to the community on the progress we have made since presenting our strategic plan at the Foundation’s 2011 Annual Meeting,” said Oestreicher. “During the past year, our Trustees and professional staff have worked hard to assess community needs, and to develop new principles and grant-making practices intended to establish The Jewish Foundation as the trusted, high-impact investor that our community deserves. Although we are still at the beginning of this new epoch in the history of the Foundation, we are proud of the outcomes that already have been achieved with several community partners.”

The Foundation’s strategic plan calls for investing its resources in five priority funding areas: Unmet Basic Needs, Jewish Educational Opportunities, Leadership Development, Continuous Jewish Involvement, and Israel Connection. The Annual Meeting reports will describe the progress made in each of those categories, with a particular focus on the ethic of partnering and collaboration that the Foundation has helped to develop among several different institutions through projects addressing multiple funding areas. This will include telling the story of the Foundation’s investment in Cedar Village – the first installment in its broader investment in senior services – as well as the groundbreaking initiatives created in partnership with Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institution of Religion, Jewish Family Service, the Jewish Federation and generous individual philanthropists.

Please RSVP for The Jewish Foundation’s Annual Meeting by calling (513) 214-1200, or e-mailing info@thejewishfoundation.org

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The Jewish Foundation of Cincinnati invests in high impact, transformational initiatives in the areas of Unmet Basic Needs, Jewish Educational Opportunities, Leadership Development, Continuous Jewish Involvement and Israel Connection. Since its founding in 1995, the Foundation has significantly enhanced the cohesiveness and culture of the Cincinnati Jewish community, and has invested more than $70 million in a vision to make Cincinnati one of America’s great cities for Jewish life.