



Congregation Beth Shalom Annual Report
5782-5783 — 2022-2023

WE ARE FAMILY



Youth & Families With Young Children (FYC)

33
youth programs

1000+
participants in all FYC programs

600
hamantashen baked by CBS USY

250
Purim carnival participants

50
hygiene kits created for *National Council of Jewish Women* by FYC

50
attended PJ Havdalah and sang along with Todd Kessler

16 NEW
new families with children ages 10 and under joined CBS



Men's Club members

1492
lox boxes sold including

809
lox boxes donated to *The Ark & CJE*

71
lox boxes donated to fire and police departments

\$22,000
donated to *The Ark* and *CJE*

1000+
people attended Men's Club events

1000
yellow Yahrzeit candles distributed for Yom HaShoah

500
breakfasts served for *Israel in Depth*

200
attendees for *Men's Club Shabbat*

40
golfers for annual golf outing

336
hot dogs served at *Yom Beth Shalom*



B'nai Mitzvah

1400
B'nai Mitzvah tutoring sessions

5000
verses of Torah assigned and chanted by congregants and B'nai Mitzvah students and families

600
tropes, blessings, Torah readings and Haftarat recordings made for students and congregants

100
congregants chanted Torah verses

25
recent post B'nai Mitzvah students chanted Torah

110
students and family members participated in *Mechina* Shabbat

8200
CBS congregants and guests joined together for kiddushim

House

21
blue emergency system with pull stations and lights installed throughout building

5
offices received new windows and insulation

2 NEW
new CBS signs for outside of building located by main entrance and front of building



Mitzvot Committee

14
drivers assisted Congregants with appointments and shopping

16
Shabbat greeters

8
callers chatted with CBS super seniors



HAZAK (programming for 55+)

45
chair *Tai Chi* participants (with CBS U)

3 NEW
Lunch and Learn Programs:
Men of Omaha Beach
Golden Age of Hollywood
Understanding the World Through Wine



- Families With Young Children Backyard Adventures
- Havdalah Under the Stars
- Aleph Beth Shalom
- 55 Years of Board Leadership ShabbatONE & Shabbat Dinner
- Psalm 23: Live in Concert
- YACHAD & Chavurah Fair
- Families with Young Children Shabbat Playtime at the Park
- Handling Your Holi"DAZE"
- Ark Adventures Series for Families With Young Children
- Shabbat Selahbrate Birthday and Anniversary Blessings
- Viewing of *The Lost Supper & Discussion with Author*
- Coffee House featuring Spoken Word Artist Caroline Rothstein
- Northbrook Community Cultural Fair Participants
- Listening Conversations with Rabbi Melman
- CBS Celebrates Israel@75
- Hosted Violins of Hope (JCC)
- Installation Shabbat of Rabbi David Chapman
- MahJongg Learning Sessions
- ShabbatONE & Religious School Shabbat B'Yachad

Distinguished Speakers

443
avid readers spent an *Evening With Daniel Silva and Jamie Gangel: Portrait of an Unknown Woman*

260
attended the *Unorthodox Live Podcast Recording*

390
screens tuned in for Nina Totenberg



600

Concert goers attend *60 Minutes of Jewish Music Presents:*

- *Psalm 23: Live In Concert*
- *Jewish Rock Radio Live Chicago Sings*
- *Meet Me In A Moment*
- *The Ben Hecht Show*
- *Life Is A Cabaret*



Sisterhood members

33
vendors at Holiday Boutique

10
programs held in-person and via Zoom

240
Chanukah bags made for CBS Religious School

50
Chanukah bags made for *The Ark*

20
Chanukah bags made for new CBS members

382
challahs and honey cakes purchased during *Challahday Challah* sales for Rosh Hashanah

5
Pesach kiddushim Sisterhood provided food for including

43
pans of hot food and

1663
pieces of dessert

45
Shalom bags for CBS new members



CBS Fun Facts

156
kugels baked by Sisterhood for kiddushim

24
birth notices sent welcoming new born children, grandchildren and great grandchildren

592
gluten-free brownies made with love

630
fruit gems gently thrown at aufruf celebrants

960
pounds of tuna served at kiddushim

135
people Sukkah hopping

1728
kipot and lace head covers purchased



CBS University Adult Education



16 class offerings
284 individual Adult Education learners
217 hours of class hours offered
164 *Jewish News of the World* participants
68 attended each of 5 *Israel in Depth* lectures - a joint effort between CBS U Adult Education, Men's Club and the Israel Committee
59 ^{NEW} explored *Famous and Forgotten Women of the Bible*
45 discovered *Midrash: The Missing Pieces*
64 studied *Talmud in Translation*
46 learners in *Contemporary Issues in Jewish Law Part IV* with 42 approved for continuing legal education credits
22 **ופרידענע תלמידים וואס לערנען זיך יידיש אויף זום**
 tsufridene talmidim vos lernen zikh oyf Zoom!
 excited students learning Yiddish on Zoom!
59 ^{NEW} walked with 6 different instructors studying versions of *Psalm 23: Through the Valley*

7 ^{NEW} new **YACHAD** affinity groups **plus**
4 ^{NEW} new **Chavurah** groups **equals**
60 ^{NEW} new **CBS** friendships!
10 gifts of *Mishloach Manot* (Purim baskets) given to prospective CBS families
7 *Services Under the Sky/Havdalah Under the Stars*
610 participants prayed under the sky and stars



181 Religious School students
444 *Mishloach Manot* (Purim baskets) purchased by CBS congregants
72 students participating in *Aleph Champ* and Hebrew reading groups
18 *CBS High* students
25 Kitah Gimmel (3rd grade) students received siddurim during the siddur ceremony
10 student Madrichol (teaching assistants in grades 8-12) working in Religious School
13 kindergarten students welcomed into the Religious School in the *Chagigat HaGan* ceremony

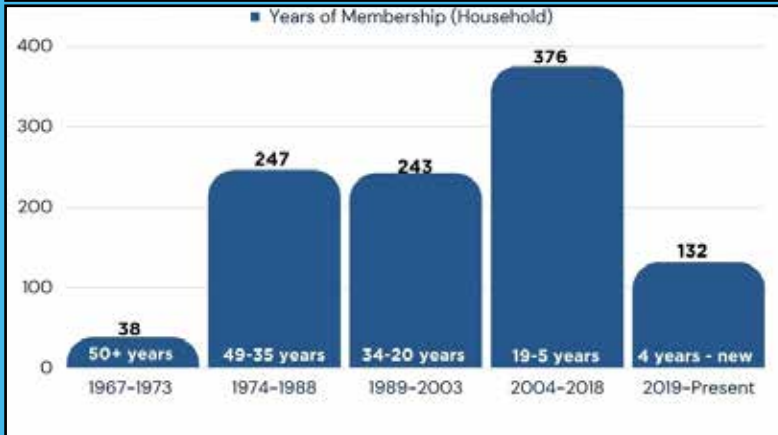
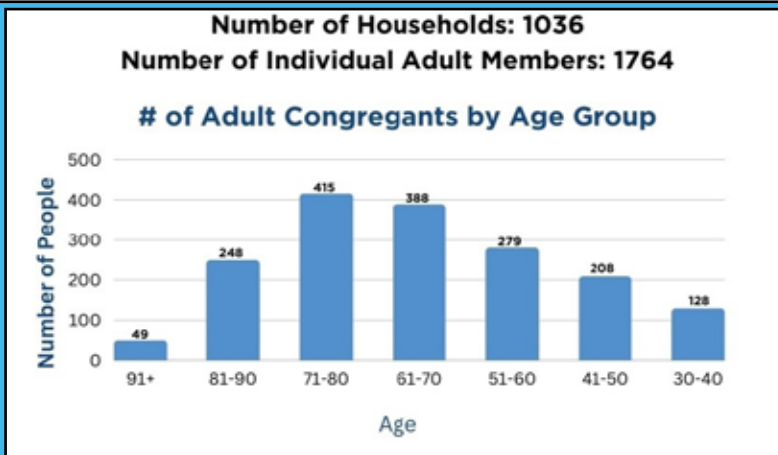


Community Partners

ADL
 The Ark
 Chicago Festival of Israeli Cinema
 Chicago Jewish Funerals CHUSY
 CJE SeniorLife
 The Community Mikvah of the Conservative Movement
 Consulate General of Israel
 Dignity Memorial
 Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs
 Goldman Funeral Group
 HIAS
 Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center
 Israel Bonds
 IsraelNow
 JCC
 JCFS
 Jewish Rock Radio
 JNF

JUF
 Keshet (LGBTQ)
 K'ilu
 Maot Chitim
 Miller Introduction to Judaism Program
 Mitzvah Memorial Funerals
 New Beginnings Church
 Norton & Elaine Sarnoff Center for Jewish Genetics
 The Northbrook Clergy Association
 Northbrook Memory Care Center
 Northbrook Park District
 Northbrook Fire & Police
 North Suburban YMCA
 Ramah Day Camp
 Camp Ramah in Wisconsin
 Rochelle Zell Jewish High School
 Selah Jewish Community Choir
 Shalom Memorial

SHALVA
 Solomon Schechter Day School
 StandStrong
 StandWithUs
 Tamarisk NorthShore
 United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism
 Village of Northbrook
 Vitalant
 Women's League for Conservative Judaism
 Many, Many Local Area Clergy & Synagogues



42 new and re-joining member households
676 children (ages birth-26)

Social Action Committee

- 805 books for *Bernie's Book Bank*
- 300 pairs of athletic shoes
- 200 pounds of food for *The Ark* and *Northfield Food Pantry*
- 1100 pounds of candy for various organizations
- 178 new toys for *Marine Corps Toys for Tots*
- 200 blessing bags for *HIAS*
- 249 books (126 pounds) sent to Jewish group in Denmark



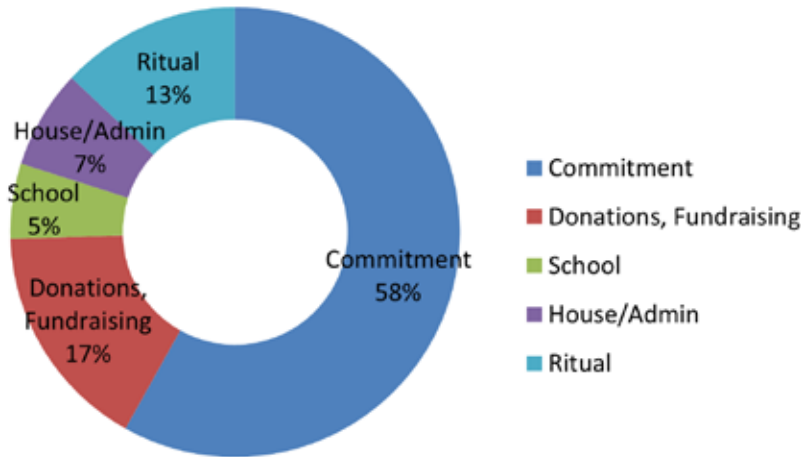
- 17 new winter coats donated
- 25 blankets made for babies in NICU
- 890 blood donations
- dozens of toys for our furry friends
- pounds of dog food
- dozens of hats, gloves and mittens
- hundreds of boxes packed and delivered for *Maot Chitim*
- so many brown paper bags, bras, eyeglasses and pop tops



DOLLARS AND CENTS

CBS 2022-2023 Total Operating Budget
\$2,905,000

REVENUE 2022-2023



\$326,000

donated to 2022 High Holiday appeal

732

gift cards sold through *ShopWithScrip*

\$1500

funds raised from gift card program

50

donors gave to the *Pay It Forward Tuition Scholarship Fund*

\$13,300

donated to *Pay It Forward Tuition Scholarship Fund*

19

children received Ramah Day Camp or Camp Ramah in Wisconsin scholarships

16

Executive Officers

34

Board of Trustees

Members

27

Past Presidents

1

Board of Trustees retreat attended by 43 BOT members & 3 clergy

72

hours of Executive/ Board of Trustees meetings

25

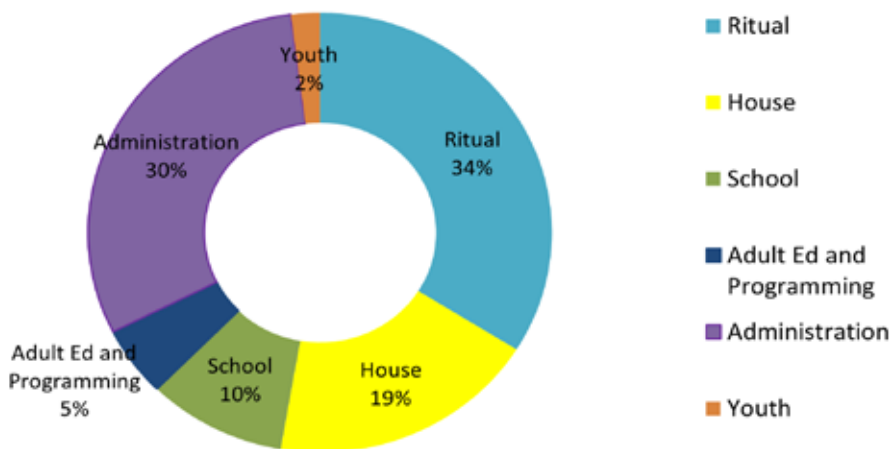
volunteer committees

50

hours of committee meetings monthly



EXPENSES 2022-2023



CBS Live Stream

12,285

individual viewers

4399

individual viewers **High Holidays 5783/2022**

799

Zoom meetings, programs, events & services

7382

participants via Zoom

6320

total hours viewed via Zoom

35,000 NEW

new CBS website visitors

#1

most frequently visited website page - Live Streaming

187

followers on Instagram **#are you following** <https://www.instagram.com/bethshalomnb/>

1181

Facebook followers

101

mobile app units downloaded to smart phones and tablets

69%

CBS email average open rate

9%

email click rate

Congregation Beth Shalom's Mission Statement

We seek to enrich the lives of our congregation through ever-evolving ideals of observance, life-long learning, and acts of kindness from this generation to the next.

We are committed to meeting the spiritual, educational and social needs of our members through the practice of Conservative Judaism in an all-inclusive manner.

We seek to encourage involvement and create a sense of belonging by serving our community, the Jewish people, and the State of Israel.