

Tikvat Israel Women's Network — TI's Sisterhood 2200 Baltimore Road Rockville, MD 20851



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Dear Women of Tikvat Israel,

We hope that this letter finds you and your families well as summer winds down. Thanks to all those who supported and participated in the many fun and interesting 2023-2024 Women's Network programs. We are excited about welcoming a new year of both in-person and virtual offerings, including a pre-High Holiday paid-up membership event on Sunday, September 22, book group discussions, learning/speaker activities, the Mishloach Manot project, the Shelly Goldin z'l Women's Network Shabbat, and more. Bookmarks with event information will again be available on the High Holidays. Also, our very informative Women's Network newsletter will continue to be distributed by email.

It is now time to renew your membership to the Women's Network, or join for the first time! The price for the coming year will continue to be \$36 for a base membership and \$54 for a sponsorship level membership. Your payment supports not only our group, but also the Women's League for Conservative Judaism (WLCJ).

Membership payments may be made by check or PayPal, and are requested by September 22, 2024. Checks are payable to Tikvat Israel Sisterhood, and should be mailed to Elyse Bernstein, whose contact information is shown on the registration form that accompanies this letter. The form also includes the link for PayPal payments. Also please be sure to send Elyse a completed form if you are a new member or have a change of address/phone number. If you are a new member of Tikvat Israel, you will receive FREE Women's Network membership for your first year - remember to check it off on the form.

We hope that you'll also provide support for the WLCJ's Torah Fund, which focuses on the very important cause of educating and training Conservative/Masorti rabbis, cantors, scholars, educators, campus Jewish life staff, and committed lay leaders. The 2024-25 Torah Fund theme is *Am Yisrael Chai* - *The people of Israel live*. To contribute to Torah Fund please see the instructions on the membership form that accompanies this letter along with the contact information for Anita Brenner, the Women's Network Chairperson.

Even if you do not think that you can attend all of our programs, we encourage you to become a member or renew your membership. We would like to keep most of our programs free or at minimal cost to members, so your support is important. The benefit of membership, as stated on the WLCJ website, is to be informed, enriched, involved, and inspired. Now is the time to support those efforts for yourself and your "sisters" at Tikvat Israel by joining the Women's Network. We look forward to a wonderful year together and again thank you for your support!

B'Shalom from your TI Women's Network Co-Presidents, Treasurer, Torah Fund, and Communications Chair,

Susan Apter, Brenda Brooks, Elyse Bernstein, Anita Brenner, and Amy Matathias

Tikvat Israel Women's Network 2024-2025 Membership/Torah Fund Payment & Forms Deadline: September 22, 2024

Women's Network Annual Dues: \$36.00

Sponsor Membership: \$54.00 (to further support our activities)

Membership checks should be made payable to: Tikvat Israel Sisterhood

Please mail your membership payment and form to:

Elyse Bernstein (her address is in the ShulCloud directory) or contact her via

Email - <u>jeffelyse@gmail.com</u>

(please note: we prefer that checks <u>not</u> be dropped off at the synagogue office, but if they are please put them in an envelope marked for Women's Network)

Electronic dues payments should be done through PayPal at the following link-(www.paypal.com/paypalme/WNTikvatIsrael)

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| City/State/Zip: | | |
| Home Phone: | Cell Phone: | |
| I am a new member of | Tikvat Israel Congregation (free Women's Network membership for first ye | ear |
| synagogue members.) | | |
| Torah Fund Benefactor, | Contributor Information (Please Keep for your Records) ate \$180 to the Torah Fund Campaign to help the future clergy and educators ement. | in |
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Electronic donations preferred: https://inspired.jtsa.edu/torahfund

Please notify Anita Brenner by email when you make a donation to the Torah Fund so that she can track all Tikvat Israel donations. If you need to donate via check please contact Anita.

All questions should be referred to **Anita Brenner** - anitabrenner@comcast.net or (301-933-2280)