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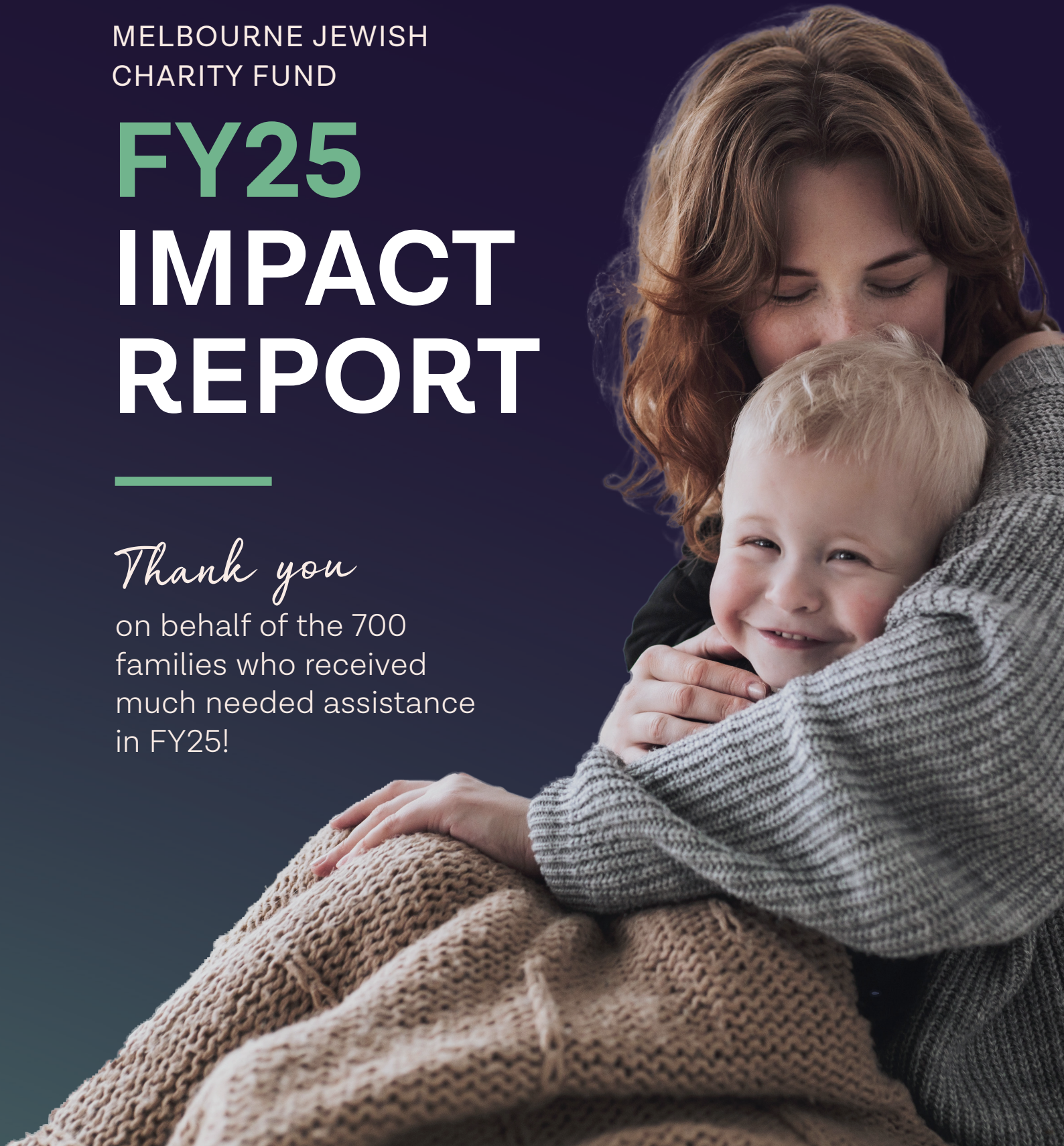


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FY25 IMPACT REPORT

Thank you

on behalf of the 700
families who received
much needed assistance
in FY25!





The Melbourne Jewish Charity Fund (MJCF) is the largest provider of financial welfare in the Melbourne Jewish community. We work directly with families in need across the entire community to restore dignity and hope. Our mission is to relieve suffering and helplessness, addressing both immediate financial crises and fostering long-term solutions to break the cycle of poverty.

Support when
you need it **most**

Purpose and Support Services

MJCF is dedicated to relieving the suffering associated with poverty.

We assist households facing financial hardship through a comprehensive range of supports, including:



Rental and Housing Subsidies



Food Vouchers



Assistance with Medical Expenses



Funding for Basic Living Costs



Children's Shoe Vouchers



Jewish Festival Support



Social Work Services

Message from the CEO

STEPPING INTO this role over the past year, I've been deeply moved—at times overwhelmed—by the extraordinary impact this Fund has on our community and the immense support that makes it possible. Seeing firsthand how far-reaching and essential our programs have become has been both humbling and inspiring.

Financial Year 2025 again saw a significant increase in the financial assistance provided across all of our programs. We experienced a rise not only in the number of individuals and families seeking help for the first time, but also in existing clients requiring continued or expanded support. The pressures on households have intensified, and the reach of MJCF has expanded to meet this growing and shifting demand—often stretching our capacity to its limits.

Among the year's key initiatives, we continued our partnership with CCare to support families during the Jewish Festivals. By sourcing products at wholesale pricing, we were able to reduce the financial burden many families experience during these times, improve efficiency, and make every dollar go further.

We also launched and saw the success of The Giving Closet—a pop-up store where gently worn designer clothing and accessories were donated and made available for the broader community to purchase, with proceeds helping to fund our core programs.

Through it all, what stands out most is the unwavering generosity of our community. We remain profoundly grateful to the foundations and individual donors whose contributions are not just appreciated—they are essential. Your support enables us to continue easing the burden on the most vulnerable members of our community, at a time when that support is needed more than ever.

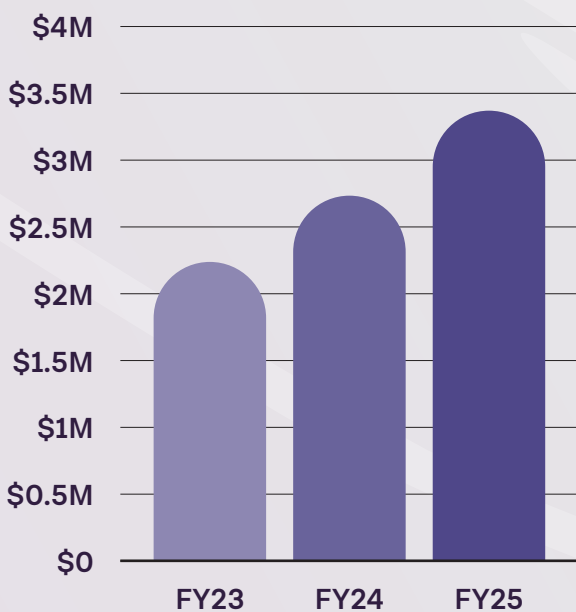
Thank you for being a vital part of this work.

Rob Alden

Support Provided in FY25

Total Support Provided

Total support provided in FY25 was \$3.4 million, representing a 21% increase on FY24.



Number of Households Supported

The number of households supported in FY25 was 700 representing a 16% increase on FY24.



Thanks to the
generous support
of all our donors

315

Families
assisted with
food security

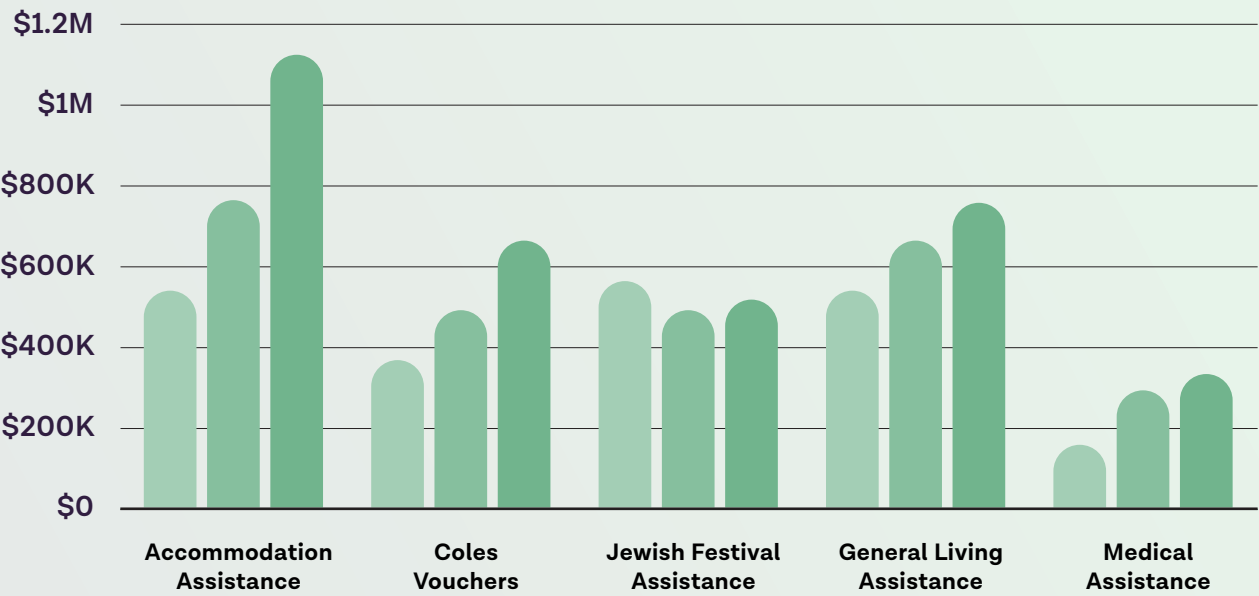
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Families were able
to fund medical
emergencies and
ongoing treatment



Three Years of Increasing Need

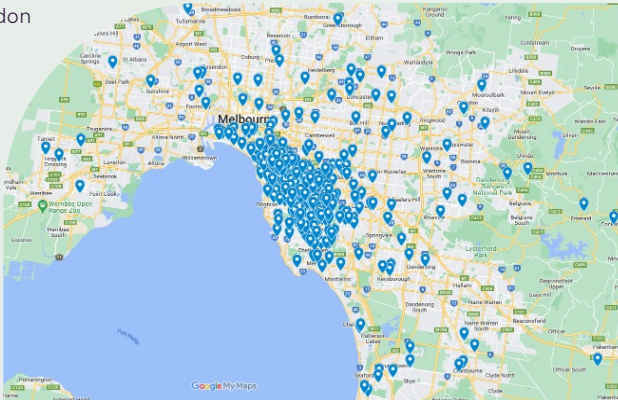
FY23 ● FY24 ● FY25 ●



Where We Help

Our care has extended across the community, touching lives up to 150km from Caulfield. In FY25, support was delivered across the following suburbs:

Bacchus Marsh • Balaclava • Bayswater • Bentleigh • Bentleigh E • Bonbeach • Box Hill • Brighton • Brunswick E • Carnegie
Carrum Downs • Caulfield • Caulfield N • Caulfield S • Chadstone • Cheltenham • Churchill
Clarinda • Clayton • Clunes • Clifton Springs • Cockatoo • Cranbourne • Croydon
Dingley Village • Doncaster • Donvale • Elsternwick • Elwood • Fitzroy • Frankston
Glen Iris • Glen Waverley • Glenhuntly • Heatherton • Hughesdale • Keysborough
Malvern • Malvern E • McKinnon • Melbourne • Mentone • Middle Park
Moorabin • Murrumbeena • Mulgrave • Noble Park • Oakleigh • Oakleigh E
Ormond • Parkdale • Patterson Lakes • Port Melbourne • Preston • Ripponlea
S Melbourne • S Yarra • Sandringham • Seaford • St Kilda • St Kilda E • Sunbury
Thornbury • Tullamarine



148

Families provided with housing security



171

Families could afford basic living requirements



395

Families received help with Yom Tov expenses



368

Children were able to get shoes



Donor Testimonials

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SUPPORTING EQUITABLE ACCESS to education and health are core tenets of the Grosman Family Foundation. The Public School Support Fund, administered by the Melbourne Jewish Charity Fund, reflects our shared commitment to addressing systemic barriers faced by students in need. Through MJCF's deep community connections and hands-on support, we are able to ensure that psychosocial services, enrichment programs, and essential educational assistance reach those who need them most. Together, we aim to foster long-term wellbeing and opportunity for every Jewish child in need, ensuring they receive the dignified support required to reach their full potential.”

Doron Abromovici

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN
GROSMAN FAMILY FOUNDATION

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THE SPOTLIGHT FOUNDATION is proud to be a supporter of Melbourne Jewish Charity Fund. This organization is dedicated to ensuring that families, especially vulnerable women and children facing financial hardship and suffering, receive the help they require when they need it most. During these challenging times, MJCF continues to be there, working side by side with the community, to ease their burden and restore dignity and hope.”

*The Spotlight
Foundation*

Client Thanks

“I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks for all the help and support that you and MJCF have provided to me and my children over the past few months. Your financial assistance has been crucial, and I genuinely couldn't have managed paying rent and groceries without your kindness.”

“I cannot tell you how much you are helping me by assisting me at this awful time: Chemotherapy, property settlement court case, unable to leave the house due to being immunocompromised. I just want to say; thank you and Shabbat Shalom. Let there be peace in Israel, and how blessed I am to be a Jew.”

“I wanted to express my heartfelt thanks for the Coles voucher I received. As a single mum, your generosity means so much to me and my family.”

“Your support provides me with a sense of relief, stability, and safety, and I truly appreciate it more than words can express.”





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