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### **National Foundation to End Senior Hunger Awards Kosher Meal Grants**

The National Foundation to End Senior Hunger is pleased to announce the awarding of the Jack and Eleanor Borden Kosher Meal Fund grants for 2021. The competitive grant cycle was particularly important this year as a result of the urgent need to provide food in the midst of the Corona virus pandemic. The need for good nutrition for seniors has been exacerbated in every corner of our country. For those seniors who are Jewish and require religiously appropriate meals the need is that much greater.

The Jack and Eleanor Borden Kosher Meal Fund was set up to honor the late parents of our founder and CEO Enid Borden. It was her father's dying wish that all Jews who were seniors would not be forgotten. Enid promised him that she would forever remember that and set up this fund, with generous support of NFESH's donors, to ensure that Jewish seniors would not be forgotten.

The two programs that will receive these grants are the Jewish Family & Community Services, Inc. of Jacksonville, Florida and the Raleigh-Cary Jewish Family Services of Raleigh, North Carolina. The grants are awarded to any nutrition program (whether it be a senior nutrition program such as a senior center or a home-delivered program, or a food pantry that serves Jewish seniors) nationwide that either has a kosher meal program or will use the funds to start one. The two organizations chosen for these awards have ongoing nutrition programs for their communities' Jewish seniors.

In awarding these grants Enid said: "I am overwhelmed by the commitment of both of these outstanding organizations to serve those Jewish seniors in their communities who would otherwise go hungry. During these very troubling times the need is far greater and we at NFESH are honored to be able to be a part of the solution. We congratulate Jewish Family & Community Services and Raleigh-Cary Jewish Family Services for their excellent work and know that they will continue to be champions and advocates for our Jewish elders. Mazel tov to both of these fine organizations and their leaders."

The Jack & Eleanor Borden Fund is an initiative of the National Foundation to End Senior Hunger and will continue to award yearly grants to organizations that currently or will soon provide kosher meals to seniors in their communities.

NFESH (pronounced neh-fesh) is a Hebrew word that means soul or life force, or the obligation to save a life in jeopardy. We take this obligation seriously.

