



# EmpowerED Insights

EMPOWERING THROUGH EDUCATION

## A Hanukkah Surprise You Won't Want to Miss!

Mark stepped back into the kitchen for a spirited cook-off with MSHEF Board Member Claudia Oshry (@girlwithnojob) and her husband Ben Soffer (@boywithnojob), and let's just say the competition and the brisket were heating up.

**It's the Hanukkah tradition we never saw coming, but now can't imagine the holiday without!**

The full video is dropping soon on our social channels, and you won't want to miss a single moment. Stay tuned!



## A Powerful Start to our End-of-Year Campaign!

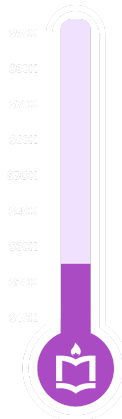
Since launching the *Lighting the Way for Kindness* end-of-year campaign on Mark's birthday, we've raised nearly \$25,000 and successfully unlocked our match.

**We're deeply grateful for this outpouring of support.** You have made our mission your mission — fueling grants, resources, and survivor-centered education in classrooms nationwide.

**But we still have a long way to go.**

If you haven't given yet, or can deepen your support, now is the time. Every gift gets us closer to reaching more teachers and impacting more students in 2026.

**\$100K**



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# SPOTLIGHT



Youth Ambassador: Morgan Sternthal

This October, Youth Ambassador Morgan Sternthal launched the **Holocaust Education and Awareness Club** at her high school, Golda Och Academy, to benefit MSHEF.

Through her club, Morgan is inspiring classmates to participate in Journey for the Living and lead creative fundraising efforts—like making and selling bracelets to support Holocaust education.

Morgan is proof that one person can spark meaningful change. When students lead with courage, communities grow stronger, more compassionate, and more informed.



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# IMPACT



## What Students Are Saying

“Thank you for helping me understand the importance of remembrance, to stand up for others even if it means putting your life on the line, and most importantly, using my voice. I promise to carry the lessons from your class with me.”

9th Grader — Falcon High School | Peyton, CO  
2024-25 MSHEF Grant Recipient



# RESOURCES



**MSHEF Bracelets: The Gift that Gives Back**

## Looking for a meaningful gift this holiday season?

Whether it's a thoughtful stocking stuffer or a special gift for one night of Hanukkah, these gemstone bracelets from [Dee Berkeley Jewelry](#) are a beautiful way to give back — **100% of the proceeds go to fund MSHEF grants.**

Each purchase helps ensure Holocaust education continues for future generations, so give a gift that gives back this holiday season!



[BUY A BRACELET](#)

## JFTL Mitvah Project

**Take the journey that Mark Schonwetter, a Holocaust survivor, walked to escape the Nazis.**

JFTL Mitzvah Project helps teens learn Tikun Olam through action —walking 15 miles in honor of a Holocaust survivor to raise awareness and funds for Holocaust education grants that teach anti-hate initiatives, respect, and kindness to students nationwide.



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