

EDUCATION

With seven general meetings and a myriad of study groups throughout the year, NCJW BCS provides educational and stimulating programs and speakers. Monthly book groups are opportunities for thoughtful discussions on new and classic literature. Trips and guided tours of a variety of historic and cultural attractions are arranged in and around NJ and NY. The Solos group welcomes singles to its social events and trips.

PHILANTHROPY

Funds are raised from generous NCJW BCS members and from others in the community who share similar values. The section sponsors special events and provides creative individual and corporate giving opportunities.

THRIFT SHOP

NCJW BCS Thrift Shop is located at 75 South Washington Avenue in Bergenfield. Proceeds from the sale of donated gently-used clothes, accessories and household items go directly to support those in need in the community and provide gift cards to some clients of our community services.

WEBSITE

NCJW BCS's website is updated daily, as a real-time resource for news and information about our section's myriad of programs, events, community service activities, volunteer opportunities, advocacy initiatives, research tools, enrichment programs and much more.

SOCIAL ACTION IN ISRAEL

NCJW's work in Israel is rooted in a commitment to advancing women's status and rights in Israel by helping them develop a stronger voice on all levels of Israeli society.

Furthermore, our work supports at-risk populations, with a special emphasis on children. NCJW believes that Israel's future as a democratic Jewish state lies in the freedom and capacity of its citizens to participate equally in its governance and welfare.

ISRAEL GRANTING PROGRAM

Grant recipients include organizations and programs designed to address Israeli women's rights and well-being in areas such as economics, politics, education, domestic violence and social justice. Components of the Israel Granting Program include Women to Women: NCJW's Empowerment Initiative and Yad B'Yad: NCJW's Initiative to Nurture Knowledge. Bergen County Section contributes to the Israel Granting Program annually.

NCJW maintains an office in Jerusalem at Hebrew University.



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ABOUT NCJW

National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) is a grassroots organization of volunteers and advocates who turn progressive ideals into action. Inspired by Jewish values, NCJW strives for social justice by improving the quality of life for women, children and families and by safeguarding individual rights and freedoms.

ABOUT BERGEN COUNTY SECTION

In 1923, fourteen women formed the Bergen County Section of NCJW to make a difference in their community. In the 40s, 50s, and 60s, there were approximately 500 members, ranging in age from 20 through 80 plus. Today there are more than 1,100 members whose commitment to advocacy, non-sectarian community service, education and philanthropy continues with enthusiasm.

ADVOCACY

Advocacy is about action. As part of the democratic process, NCJW BCS speaks out on important issues to federal, state and local officials, as a group and individually, with emails, on the phone, and with faxes. Some recent NCJW public policy campaigns include Gun Violence Prevention, Human Trafficking, Reproductive Choice and Affordable Health Care. Sign up online at www.ncjw.org to receive NCJW Action Alerts and click to take action.

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND COALITION PARTNERS

ADLER APHASIA CENTER is a place where people touched by aphasia, the loss of power to use words, can comfortably communicate.

BERGEN FAMILY CENTER HOME INSTRUCTION FOR PARENTS OF PRESCHOOL

YOUNGSTERS (HIPPIE) trains parents to be their children's first teachers. Co-sponsored by Bergen Family Center, monthly workshops are enjoyed by parents and their children.

BERGEN FAMILY CENTER SENIORS/SHINING LIGHTS is a unique social day care program for visually-impaired adults and other seniors.

BERGEN VOLUNTEER MEDICAL INITIATIVE (BVMI), staffed by volunteer medical professionals, provides free primary medical care to low-income Bergen County working residents who have neither medical insurance nor the means to pay for care.

CENTER FOR FOOD ACTION (CFA) provides emergency food, rent, and utility assistance to those in need in Bergen County.

CHILDREN'S COURT CARE CENTER (CCCC) is a supervised play area within the Bergen County Court House for children of litigants involved in court proceedings.

FAMILY PROMISE WALK-IN DINNER PROGRAM prepares and serves meals in a kitchen/dining center for people in need in Bergen County.

JEWISH HOME AT ROCKLEIGH is a comprehensive skilled nursing and geriatric facility offering the latest in technological advances and an array of amenities in a caring environment.

KNIT WITS knit hats, scarves and afghans for seniors, children, hospital patients, the homeless and victims of disasters.

StoP (STRATEGIES TO PREVENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE) works in coalition with Alternatives to Domestic Violence, Shelter Our Sisters, the Rape Crisis Center and Project S.A.R.A.H. by incorporating education, community action and advocacy as a means to assist victims of domestic violence.

SUMMER CAMPSHIP is a unique, public-private fund that gives children of working parents the opportunity to attend summer camp.

SWIM-IN, co-sponsored by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, is a therapeutic water exercise program for people with MS.

WAITING ROOM provides a safe, welcoming haven at the Bergen County Courthouse for domestic violence litigants while awaiting court appearances.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS INFORMATION CENTER/SHARED HOUSING (WRIC) offers job training and placement services as well as housing alternatives for single-parent families.

YOUTH CONSULTATION SERVICE HOLLEY CHILD CARE & DEVELOPMENT CENTER is a residential treatment facility for emotionally and/or physically abused children in crisis.

YOUTH CONSULTATION SERVICE KILBARCHAN is a residential treatment home for adolescents offering a safe environment to meet each teen's developmental needs.