

- Israel has much to be grateful for at 70, yet the Israel of today is faced with many challenges – to its democratic nature and institutions, to its civil society organizations, and to women’s progress.
- NCJW recently completed groundbreaking research we co-sponsored with the Dafna Fund on the status of the women’s agenda, culminating in a national conference for feminist leaders from throughout Israel; also participating in the conference were 60 Jewish American women leaders and donors who took part in a trip to look at Israel through a gender lens.
- Ms. Charnin will share the stories of the brave and fabulous women from all backgrounds making change in Israel, many of whom are supported by NCJW. Women in Israel have made great strides, yet there is also a backlash against women in the public sphere from a politically strong ultra-orthodox community, ongoing discrimination against women from the conservative rabbinate, and the ongoing conflicts and dominance of the military in society which diminishes women’s role in peace and security issues.
- NCJW confronts these challenges head on and invests in the Israel that we love so that it can be the Israel that it is meant to be!