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1951 - 1952
1953 - 1954
1955 - 1956
1957 - 1958
1959 - 1960
1961 - 1962
1963 - 1964
1965 - 1966
1967 - 1968
1969 - 1970
1971 - 1972
1973 - 1974
1975 - 1979

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1980 - 1983
1983 - 1985
1985 - 1987
1987 - 1989
1989 - 1991
1991 - 1993
1993 - 1995
1995 - 1997
1997 - 1999

1999 - 2017

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1999 - 2001
2001 - 2003
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2015 - 2017

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FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGET INCOME*

Total Income = $10,776,724

- Program fees 58.2%
- Rental Income 5.0%
- Misc Income 2.2%
- Federation & United Way 3.7%
- Contributions 2.5%
- Grant Income 0.8%
- Dues 27.7%

FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGET EXPENSES*

Total Expenses = $10,773,638

- Staff 56.6%
- Program Expenses 16.2%
- Operating Expenses 6.6%
- Occupancy Expense 8.9%
- Staff Benefits & Payroll 11.7%

In 2008, the State of Ohio provided funds to Columbus State Community College (CSCC) to assist in building the JCC New Albany site. A Joint Use Agreement between CSCC and the JCC provides CSCC use of the JCC New Albany site for educational purposes.

*July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
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**OUR IMPACT**

- **143 Scholarships** awarded to JCC members for children to attend our summer camps and early childhood education
- **250K** people walked through our doors
- **700** children’s lives enriched attending JCC summer camps
- **5K** life enhancing group exercise classes offered to members of all abilities
- **over 250K** meals served to seniors at the JCC College Ave. Site
- **11K** meals served to seniors at the JCC College Ave. Site
- **74K** hours of Jewish learning
- **160** Recreational leagues played basketball, softball, pickleball, and tennis
- **2500** audience members attended 30 theatrical performances
- **1000 Challahs & 3500 Pizzas** baked in our kosher kitchen

In 2018, the JCC was voted #1 in Columbus in SIX CATEGORIES!

- Best Preschool/Daycare
- Best Indoor Play Area
- Best Kids Birthday Party Place
- Best Student Tutoring
- Best Gym
- Best Camp for Kids
Thirty-one future leaders participated in the inaugural Michael J. Canter JCC Leadership Program. The program mentored and developed emerging leaders through four workshops including discussions with The Wexner Foundation Senior Philanthropic Advisor and President Emeritus Larry Moses, President and CEO of the JCCA Doron Krakow, and Chairman and CEO of L Brands Leslie Wexner. The MJC Leadership Program was created to honor the late Michael J Canter, a JCC Past President who was deeply involved in developing leaders within the Jewish community. The fund is led by his family.

Decked out in Broadway musical memorabilia, Gallery Players pictures through the ages, and casino games, 350 guests attended the 2019 JCC Annual Gala celebrating Gallery Players 70th season. The JCC was proud to celebrate its theater company who continuously produces theater of the highest artistic expression while reflecting a Jewish perspective and exploring common humanity. The successful event was co-chaired by Adam Lewin, Elaine Lewin, Carrie Madison, Connie Tuckerman, and Carol and Fred Luper. Funds raised from the event will directly help Gallery Players renovate the Roth/Resler Theater.

Honoring Andrew Ethan Stern, the first AES Short Film Competition awarded two top prizes. The competition was open to all Ohio filmmakers ages 16-40 and could be a film of any genre relating to the Jewish experience. The total prize package was $2500. The AES Grand Prize winner, Frank Itai Joseph, is from Zanesville and attended Columbus Torah Academy and the Columbus Jewish Day School before studying film at Northwestern University. The AES Short Film Competition was made possible through generous funding by the AES Family Fund of the Columbus Jewish Foundation, in memory of Andrew Ethan Stern by his parents, Jerry and Rozanne Stern.

Summer 2018 was the inaugural year for Kayitz Kef Hebrew Immersion Camp! Only one of ten JCC summer camps in the country to offer this program, the Columbus JCC knows how the Hebrew language strengthens Jewish identity and connects to Israel. The camp featured a full schedule of sports, arts and crafts, swimming and more all conducted solely in Hebrew from the very first day. Through daily absorption, campers gained proficiency and came home each day proud of their new language skills while never missing out on the myriad of activities that make camp so magical. Camp Chaverim B’ivrit was made possible through generous support from Leslie and Abigail Wexner and the Areivim Philanthropic Group.

The TrackMan simulator was made possible through a lead donation by the Weisman family in honor of their beloved parents, Ann and Meyer z”l Weisman, and thirty additional donations. JCC members of all skill levels can play some of the best courses of the PGA Tour, take private lessons, or simply practice their swing! No matter the weather, this new simulator adds value to the JCC membership in a convenient and fun way to play golf!
The wide array of programs and services offered by The JCC would not be possible without the generous support of our donors. Individuals and families from throughout the community provide financial resources for our annual Gala, Cultural Arts programming, scholarships, the Annual Campaign, capital improvements, and our JCC endowment funds. In 2018, our Lead Donors provided funds in excess of $600,000 by giving at or above the $1,000 level. We offer our deepest appreciation to this group of donors, and invite the community to join them in leading the way.

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