

Jewish Family Services gratefully acknowledges the financial support of National Council of Jewish Women, Azrielli Foundation, and Beth Israel Synagogue to enable the supply and delivery of
131 Passover Grocery Bags across Edmonton.

The recipients were in Nursing Homes, Hospitals, Seniors Communities and home alone. Our goal was to reach out to (but not touch) our clients to ensure that they had a little bit of Passover to help them through this difficult time of physical and social distancing.

Rhonda Eidelman, Seniors Coordinator, led this new initiative to address the current isolation and cancellation of Passover events, with excellent client feedback. Responses were most appreciative with many recipients calling, leaving messages or texting our staff to say thank-you. Client comments included:

- "You can't imagine how happy he was! (to get the package) 3 days in a row he shows me these gifts and remembers how they celebrated in the family."
- "Thank you for the beautiful Passover assortment. I really appreciate it. Now I may make a Seder with my roommate."
- "What a lovely goody bag!!! Thank you so much and all the volunteers who are delivering. I am going to make Matzo Ball soup tomorrow and I need to find a recipe for fried matzo. My Dad used to make it for us when we were kids and I loved it"

Passover is a time when the community joins together to celebrate and remember our past, and we are sure the memory of this Passover will remain with us for quite a while. Many thanks to donors, staff and participants

