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Kehillat Beth Israel

Interested in getting more involved at KBI?

KBI is built by people who care. Our committees are where ideas become action, relationships grow, and members help shape the future of our community.

You do not need previous committee experience or special expertise to serve on every committee. Share your interests, skills, ideas, perspective and life experience. Maybe you simply enjoy bringing people together, solving problems, organizing things, asking good questions or making ideas happen. **Not sure where you fit? That's okay.** Tell us what you care about, what you enjoy doing, or what you would love to contribute to KBI. **There is a place for you!**

Please note, expressing interest does not guarantee a committee position. Committees have limited spaces and members are selected by Committee Chairs based on the needs and composition of each committee. If there is not an opening right away, we will keep your interests and skills in mind as opportunities arise.

JEWISH LIFE & LEARNING

ADULT EDUCATION Curate high-quality educational opportunities exploring Jewish life, culture, history, Israel, current issues, and Conservative/Masorti Judaism through courses, speakers, lectures and programs that deepen understanding and spark conversation. *Specific membership requirements apply.*

RITUAL Work with our clergy to shape and support KBI's religious services and ritual life, including Shabbat, High Holy Days, ritual education, and questions about Jewish practice. *Specific membership requirements apply.*

YOUTH Work alongside our youth professionals to help shape meaningful experiences for young families, children and teen USY (United Synagogue Youth) programs, where young people can learn, connect, grow and have fun in a welcoming Conservative Jewish community.

OTTAWA TALMUD TORAH (OTT@KBI) Work with our Director of Education to strengthen the religious school education and programming experience for students and families, while helping connect OTT families with the wider KBI community. *Specific membership requirements apply.*

PRIDE Help KBI build an inclusive and welcoming home for 2SLGBTQI+ congregants and the wider Jewish 2SLGBTQI+ community through Pride programming, year-round engagement, and thoughtful inclusive practices and policies. *This committee is open to both 2SLGBTQI+ community members and allies who want to support this work.*

COMMUNITY & CONNECTION

MEMBERSHIP ENGAGEMENT Help people feel welcomed, connected, and at home at KBI by creating opportunities for members to build relationships, participate, and find meaningful ways to engage in congregational life.

COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING Help KBI communicate clearly, consistently and effectively by strengthening thoughtful content creation, clear information flow and communication practices that help congregants feel informed, connected and engaged. This committee also supports marketing practices that extend KBI's reach to the wider Ottawa community. *Specific membership requirements apply.*

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CHESED Help KBI care for one another through acts of kindness, support, and connection, especially during important moments and times of need. *Future committee - An opportunity to help build something new at KBI.*

PROGRAMMING & ENGAGEMENT Help shape the experiences that make KBI feel like home by fostering connection, participation, and community spirit through social events, mixers, holiday gatherings and volunteer-led programs. *Future committee - An opportunity to help build something new at KBI.*

CARING FOR KBI

BUILDING & LANDS Help care for and improve KBI's physical home by working with staff to identify building priorities, maintenance issues, accessibility, safety, functionality, long-term planning, and special projects that improve the appearance and quality of the premises. *Specific membership requirements apply.*

SECURITY ADVISORY Help keep KBI a safe, secure and welcoming place for everyone by assessing security risks, developing emergency procedures and preparedness plans, coordinating trainings and recommending improvements to building security. *Specific membership requirements apply.*

FINANCE Help ensure KBI is financially healthy, responsible, transparent, and sustainable by reviewing financial performance, budgets, policies, controls, and long-term financial stewardship. *This is a structured governance committee; specific membership requirements apply.*

LIFE & LEGACY Help build KBI's future by developing meaningful relationships with congregants around legacy giving, gratitude, and sustaining Jewish life for generations to come.

DEVELOPMENT Help build a culture of meaningful partnership and giving at KBI by strengthening relationships, deepening engagement and expressing gratitude, to sustain KBI's long-term financial and communal future.

OTTAWA KOSHER FOOD BANK (OKFB) Help guide the strategic future of OKFB through governance, planning, policy, financial stewardship, and organizational sustainability.

LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE

GOVERNANCE Help KBI become an even stronger, more thoughtful, accountable organization through effective policies, clear roles, strong committees, Board development, and good governance practices.

NOMINATING Help shape KBI's future leadership by identifying and encouraging people with the skills, perspectives, experience, and commitment to help lead our congregation.

PERSONNEL Support strong, fair, and accountable leadership at KBI, including senior staff performance, contracts, and human resource matters. *Personnel is a confidential Board committee and is not a general volunteer opportunity.*

Interested in getting involved?
Email volunteers@kehillatbethisrael.com to let us know what interests you.