

# MAKING SPACE: BUILDING JEWISH INCLUSION IN THE WORKPLACE & BEYOND

## The Problem

Jewish identity, diversity, and religious practices are often misunderstood or overlooked in the United States. At the same time, the American Jewish community is confronting an alarming rise in antisemitism, with incidents reaching a record high in 2023.

According to AJC's State of Antisemitism in America 2024 Report:

90%

of U.S. adults say antisemitism affects society as a whole, and everyone is responsible for combating it

33%

of American Jews say they have been the personal target of antisemitism—in person or virtually—at least once over the last year

40%

of Jews in the U.S. say they have avoided publicly wearing or displaying things that might identify them as a Jew

## How We Can Help

Helping your workplace or organization better understand who the Jewish people are and the challenges they face is a critical element often missing in efforts to increase understanding, inclusivity, and belonging.

We all have a role to play in ensuring that Kansas City is a safe and welcoming place for all.

JCRB|AJC is here to help bring us closer to this goal.

## Empower

### Understanding and Combating Contemporary Antisemitism Training

This training will equip you with the tools and education needed to combat antisemitism. Seasoned JCRB|AJC staff will help your company, organization, or community group understand the Jewish people and empower them to call out this hatred at work and in their daily lives.

## Support

### Our team can help you:

- Accommodate Jewish holidays and religious observances
- Navigate tensions arising from antisemitism or current events
- Establish and support Jewish Employee Resource Groups
- Acknowledge and celebrate Jewish American Heritage Month

## Connect

We provide partners with reliable resources to help support workplace and community education. Topics include: Jewish religion and culture, antisemitism, Israel, and the Holocaust.





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## COMBATING ANTISEMITISM & PURSUING JUSTICE

## Our Impact

*"JCRB|AJC addresses the issue of antisemitism to help ordinary citizens understand its effect on communities. More importantly it provides concrete ideas to help eradicate violence and discrimination. Even advocates of diversity and inclusion will learn new ways to help their workplace, place of worship and community understand how to create allyship and understanding. This presentation is a must for all communities."*

**Vice President of DEI, Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce**

*"I really appreciated the historical context for contemporary displays of antisemitism."*

**Jewish Family Services Training Participant**

*"The presentation on understanding and combating antisemitism provided our staff the knowledge and resources to be more informed about this important topic in our community. The JCRB|AJC staff presented the material in a way that made it easy to understand the impact of antisemitism and they brought in real world examples that related to everyone. Thanks to JCRB|AJC for a great presentation that resonated with our staff."*

**Assistant City Administrator, City of Prairie Village**

*"I was incredibly impressed with the depth and accessibility of the material as well as how JCRB|AJC navigated politically and socially sensitive topics with care and compassion."*

**Program Manager, Office of Equity and Diversity, Children's Mercy**

*"Our Consortium in part is built on the foundation of learning and supporting our fellow communities of color, culture and identity. In order to do this in a genuine way we need to have individuals share their knowledge and expertise in a manner that all can 'take in' and understand...The information and stories shared about antisemitism, its history and the rise of incidents is tragic and disheartening. If you want to know the facts versus the misinformation about the Jewish community, I would definitely recommend JCRB|AJC to come in and enlighten you on the facts."*

**Founder, Diversity + Inclusion Consortium**

*"I really enjoyed the history of the Jewish culture and people. I appreciate the real life examples because it shows how crucial this training is."*

**First Call Training Participant**

*"The training provided excellent information about antisemitism. I didn't know how wide spread it is and why."*

**Park University Training Participant**

### PAST TRAINING HOSTS

AdventHealth Kansas City Foundation  
Baker University, I See You DEI Conference  
Bishop Kemper School for Ministry  
Church of the Resurrection  
Community Christian Church  
Children's Mercy  
City of Leawood  
City of Prairie Village  
D+I Consortium  
First Call  
GEHA  
Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce  
Greater Kansas City Interfaith Council  
Jewish Family Services  
Johnson County Mental Health Center  
Kansas City FBI  
Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association  
Kansas City Art Institute  
KU Endowment  
Lathrop GPM  
Nonprofit Connect  
Old Mission Church  
Overland Park Rotary Club  
Park University  
Prairie Village Diversity Committee  
Tallgrass Creek Senior Living Community  
Village Shalom

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