What will your legacy be?

You’ve devoted yourself
… to a lifetime of service to the Jewish community
… to learning and teaching… to the Reform Movement …  
to practicing and transmitting Jewish values to future generations… That’s your legacy…

Now… add to your legacy by supporting future generations of the Reform rabbinate.
Join the Atid Legacy Society by making a planned gift to the CCAR.

Each generation of the Jewish community faces new challenges. One constant is the need for innovative, thoughtful, professional, and nimble leadership. Since 1889, the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR) has strengthened the Jewish community by supporting Reform rabbis professionally and personally.

A planned gift assures that the CCAR continues to have the resources to support future rabbis, enriching rabbis’ sacred work for generations to come. An Atid legacy gift:

• Enables the CCAR to provide rabbinic placement and transition services for the Reform Movement
• Makes continuing rabbinic education possible—a lifetime of learning and growing for rabbis
• Unifies the entire Reform community by supporting the CCAR Press’s publication of liturgy, educational materials, books, apps, translations, and Visual T’filah used by millions of Jews worldwide
• Provides tools to clergy who lead their communities in sacred social justice work
• Assures the availability of outstanding counseling and coaching for rabbis and their family members dealing with loss, illness, communal crises, and other challenges
• Strengthens a community of peers that supports the sharing of best practices and eases the isolation that too many rabbis face

“Because of our belief in the necessity of rabbinic leadership for a vibrant Jewish community now and into the future, Vicki and I have included a legacy gift to the CCAR in our estate plan. It feels good to know that I will be helping assure the work of the CCAR—and Reform rabbis—beyond my lifetime. After all, the reason that my pension can provide me with a secure and dignified retirement is because of the CCAR’s advocacy for salaries, pensions, and K’vod HaRav.”

—Rabbi Steven A. Fox, CCAR Chief Executive Emeritus and Atid Legacy Society member

WHY MAKE A BEQUEST?

A planned gift is a wonderful way to support the CCAR while accommodating your personal tzedakah and estate-planning goals.

• A bequest can enable people to make a significant contribution that may not have been possible during their lifetimes

• Most significantly, a bequest affirms that our members are committed to the guiding values of the CCAR and provides essential support to future generations of rabbis

• A bequest removes assets from taxable estates and, when set up as a percentage of an estate, allows for changes in the estate’s taxable value

THROUGH YOUR PARTICIPATION, WE CAN ENSURE THE STRENGTH OF THE CCAR INTO THE FUTURE.
HOW DO I JOIN THE ATID LEGACY SOCIETY?

You may commit your support in a variety of ways. Gifts can be from individuals or jointly from spouses. Some people name a set amount for a planned gift, while others designate a percentage of their pension account or estate.

- The RPB Pension Account Beneficiary Designation Form is the simplest vehicle for a planned gift. It does not require a lawyer or a change to a will: just name the CCAR as an additional primary beneficiary and assign a percentage or an amount to be designated
- Provision for the CCAR in your will or trust
- Beneficiary designations through life insurance or other investments

Please contact us if you’d like to discuss other legacy gift options or your personal situation.

We would be grateful to know of your planned gift intentions so that we may honor you with membership in the Atid Legacy Society, recognize your membership (if you wish), and keep accurate records.

“As rabbis we are asked to support many noble and great causes, and we do. But if we do not support our own rabbinic association, who will? Ensuring the future strength of the CCAR leaves a lasting legacy for generations of rabbis to come.”

—Rabbi Fred N. Reiner, Atid Legacy Society Chair

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