

2022-2023 Membership Committee Report

The HCRJ Membership Committee is pleased to report that we have had a successful first year (of three) with our current committee. One of our most successful initiatives has been learning about our congregation by tracking attendance at HCRJ events, and what we have seen is an increase in engagement among our members. We have more people attending services, participating in classes and programs, and volunteering their time.

We are excited about the future of our congregation, and we believe that the best is yet to come. We are committed to providing our members with a vibrant and welcoming community that is also relevant to their lives.

Among many initiatives, in the coming year, we plan to:

- Celebrate our existing members.
- Continue to grow our membership by reaching out to new families and individuals in the Houston area.
- Strengthen our ties with the Jewish community in Houston and beyond.
- Make our synagogue an even more welcoming and inclusive place for all.

We are excited to share our vision for the future with you, and we look forward to working with you to make it a reality. Members can help by filling out the questionnaire that will circulate in the coming months, which will let the committee know what our members currently love about membership at our synagogue and what our members would like to see more of in the future. We want to make sure that we are meeting the needs of our members, and we believe that this questionnaire is a great way to get the best feedback.

We would like to thank our members for being a part of HCRJ; we are grateful for the support and dedication.

We are happy to report that our total membership numbers remained stable over the last couple of years. For the year starting July 2022 to May of 2023, we added 18 new memberships to our HCRJ family. The 18 memberships were in the following categories:

- Full memberships: 10
- Associate: 6
- 30-34: 2

These memberships included 15 children from preschool to 12th grade.

As of May 2023, the total membership at HCRJ is:

- Full memberships: 225
- Associate memberships: 61
- 30-34: 3
- Under 30: 2

Respectfully submitted,
Cory Baum
Membership Committee Chair