

You are the  
FAMILY in  
Jewish Family Service...

**IT'S THAT SIMPLE.**



**FRIENDS  
OF THE FAMILY**

**2009**

In the best of times and the worst of times, Jewish Family Service of MetroWest is here to help those in need. This year, with your help, JFS will touch the lives of more than 3,500 people...one life at a time. Your support makes a difference. Your support will ensure that no one is turned away.



*JFS has been responding to the  
challenges facing families since 1861.*

Florham Park • Jersey City • Livingston

Please visit us at our website  
[www.jfsmetrowest.org](http://www.jfsmetrowest.org)



## A glimpse of the *families* of Jewish Family Service:

- A couple struggles financially as a result of unexpected unemployment; their marriage is strained and their teenage children are resentful of the change in their economic status, as they try to keep up with friends in their affluent town.
- A young father calls for help for himself and his son after his wife died suddenly. Lost in his own grief, he can't cope with his son's tears or comfort him; his son started acting out in school.
- An 83 year old widow without family nearby is isolated and depressed even though she lives in a senior housing building. She rarely leaves her apartment and has begun to lose weight.
- A parent calls worried that her teenage daughter is on-line all the time in chat rooms. She wants to respect her daughter's privacy but is very concerned for her safety.
- A hospital discharge planner calls on behalf of a patient being released, who lost his apartment before being hospitalized; he needs case management services to help him with housing, medical follow up, entitlements and in-home support.



## The JFS Mission:

The purpose of JFS of MetroWest is to provide comprehensive social and therapeutic services to the MetroWest Jewish and general community. Our services preserve and enhance family values and functioning, promote healthy personality development, and respond to the stress and distress impacting people throughout the life-cycle.



Jewish Family Service of MetroWest is a member and beneficiary agency of the United Jewish Communities of MetroWest New Jersey and its United Jewish Appeal and the United Way of Essex and West Hudson, United Way of Hudson County, United Way of North Essex and United Way of Millburn-Short Hills. JFS-MetroWest is a member of the Association of Jewish Family & Children's Agencies (AJFCA) and the New Jersey Association of Mental Health Agencies (NJAMHA) and is an accredited agency of the Council on Accreditation of Family and Children's Agencies (COA).

