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Gulf Coast JFCS Holocaust Survivors Gather to Honor and Celebrate Freedom

What: Holocaust Survivor Passover Seder Luncheon
Who: Gulf Coast JFCS CEO, Dr. Sandra Braham
Gulf Coast JFCS Board Chair, Judy Benjamin
Gulf Coast JFCS Senior Program Director, Cindy Minetti
When: April 11, 2019 11am – 1pm
Where: Congregation Schaarai Zedek
3303 West Swann Avenue Tampa Florida 33609

Local Holocaust Survivors will gather for a Passover Seder Thursday, April 11, 2019 beginning 11am at Congregation Schaarai Zedek, 3303 West Swann Avenue Tampa Florida 33609. The Holocaust Survivors Program at Gulf Coast JFCS serves over 260 members of our community who survived the war or are direct descendants of those persecuted in the Holocaust. The program offers Survivors case management, socialization activities, hosts celebrations of Jewish holidays and provides other social service assistance.

A Passover Seder is significant to Holocaust Survivors as it is a celebration honoring events that led to the Jewish people being lifted from slavery to freedom in their own land.

“Our Holocaust Survivor Seder provides a rare opportunity for Survivors to socialize and celebrate life in a group setting. It is among my favorite events as I get to spend time in their presence and observe their smiles and thankfulness for freedom and community in the United States,” said Dr. Sandra Braham President and CEO of Gulf Coast JFCS. Funding for the program is provided by The Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany. However, as survivors’ age, their needs increase and funding is insufficient to fully cover associated costs.

Gulf Coast Jewish Family and Community Services, Inc. has been serving Florida since 1960 with its mission to protect the vulnerable and help people achieve fulfilling lives by empowering individuals and strengthening families. To learn more about Gulf Coast JFCS and support its programs, visit www.gcjfcs.org.

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