

Dear Members and Friends,

Rosh Hashanah is just two weeks away and we look forward to davening together on the Yomim Noraim and Succot! Rosh Hashanah is a time to reflect on the positives and the struggles of the year that has passed as well as a time to look to the future. We all know what a difficult year 5781 has been, but it has also been a strong reminder of what a wonderful and caring community we have as reflected in the concern for the health and well being of our beloved Rabbi.

The New Year is also a time to consider what we can do to make ourselves better people and the world a better place - through our actions, through our deeds and through giving Tzedakah.

This year, the Kol Nidre appeal is particularly crucial to the operation of the shul. Due to the pandemic and world events, the shul has incurred additional costs for the shul's HVAC system, tent maintenance to expand our davening capacity for Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Succot, security, community outreach and beyond.

It is at this time that we ask you, if you can, to please increase your Kol Nidre donation from last year or at least match it. We need the support of all of our members now more than ever.

Please click [here](#) to give to the Kol Nidre appeal or email treasurer@yiwj.org with your pledge.

Best wishes for a Chativa V'Chatima Tovah