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Miriam Segall, of blessed memory, has made a \$100,000 bequest to NECHAMA - Jewish Response to Disaster as part of her enduring commitment to Jewish life, learning, and continuity.

Miriam passed away on July 9, 2024. A gifted researcher at the University of Minnesota Medical School's Immunobiology Research Center, Miriam was a prolific author on diabetes, cancer, autoimmune disease, organ transplants and other medical issues.

Along with her husband Bert Bach who predeceased her, Miriam was an active member of Adath Jeshurun Congregation, a prominent synagogue in St. Louis Park, Minnesota. She was dedicated to conservative Judaism and religious pluralism. A lifelong student, Miriam was particularly passionate about Jewish learning. She helped coordinate a downtown Minneapolis Torah study group and supported the Center for Jewish Studies at the University of Minnesota. Miriam was also a longtime annual supporter of NECHAMA's from at least 2008 until 2024.

Miriam's legacy gift to NECHAMA reflects her deeply held values of *tzedakah* (charitable giving), *l'dor v'dor* (from generation to generation), and a profound belief in the strength and future of our community. Rooted in the principle of *tikkun olam* (repairing the world), NECHAMA engages volunteers in disaster relief, rebuilds people's lives, provides comfort and hope, and represents the Jewish people and our values.

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Through her bequest, the largest that NECHAMA has ever received, Miriam helps ensure that our mission will continue to thrive. Her foresight and generosity will have a lasting impact, enabling us to serve future generations with compassion, dignity, and purpose. We are deeply grateful for Miriam's extraordinary act of kindness and vision and will issue a dvar Torah in her honor on her yahrzeit, the 3rd day of Tammuz (which this year falls on June 18). We will also identify other ways to honor Miriam Segall.

May Miriam Segall's memory be a blessing, and may her legacy inspire others to consider how they, too, can help sustain and strengthen the Jewish community for years to come.

If you would like to learn more about legacy giving or how to include NECHAMA - Jewish Response to Disaster in your estate plans, I welcome a confidential conversation.

With gratitude,

Stephan Kline
Chief Executive Officer