

Rabbinic Advisory Committee

PURPOSE OF THE RABBINIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Blue Dove Foundation's Rabbinic Advisory Committee creates a space for Rabbis to engage in the ongoing conversation and share their expertise at the intersection of Jewish and mental health and/or substance abuse. The Advisory Council will be comprised of Rabbis from across the United States and Canada with different Jewish identities, professional experiences and backgrounds.

EXPECTATIONS OF THE RABBINIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- Offer support and consultation with The Blue Dove Foundation staff and/or volunteers about different projects.
 - Sharing professional opinions on a certain topic or answer questions.
- Assist with writing articles relating Jewish holidays and texts as it relates to Mental Health and/or substance abuse.
Examples:
 - Purim article by Rabbi Steven Henkin, Just Because It's Hidden Doesn't Mean It's Not There, <https://thebluedovefoundation.org/just-because-its-hidden-doesnt-mean-its-not-there/>
 - Mi Sheberach Prayer for those in recovery <https://thebluedovefoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/mhas-mi-sheberach-for-those-in-recovery.pdf>
- Encourage your local community to host events/programs/trainings around mental health and/or substance abuse.
- Report back to The Blue Dove Foundation what is being said and talked about in your community as it relates to mental health and/or substance abuse in order to create additional tools and resources.
- Share The Blue Dove Foundation's mission and messages on personal social media accounts and organization/synagogue social media accounts/blogs/newsletters/etc.

COMMITMENT OF THE RABBINIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- One-year term commitment.
- Attend quarterly video conferencing calls.
- Be an active and engaged advisory committee member responding to requests and emails in a timely manner.

ABOUT THE BLUE DOVE FOUNDATION

The Blue Dove Foundation's mission is to educate, equip and ignite our Jewish community with tools to work together to understand, support and overcome the challenges presented by mental health and substance abuse. As a community and through *Tikkun Olam*, we will improve and save lives while eradicating the shame and stigma surrounding mental health and substance abuse in our global Jewish Community. The Blue Dove Foundation is starting in Atlanta with plans to expand across the United States and Canada quickly. The Foundation values the importance of partnerships in solving this community problem and is very thankful for the existing relationships and future partners whose missions align.

THE BLUE DOVE FOUNDATION'S WORK

- Education, awareness and outreach - Encourage conversations Provide information and tools for individuals and families seeking assistance.
- Financial assistance for treatment - Hardship scholarships Interest free loans.
- Develop scalable programs - Develop, design and launch easily repeatable programs for schools, synagogues, community centers, camps, institutions, and affinity groups
 - Program Examples: speaker series, community trainings utilizing Blue Dove Mental Health and Substance Abuse Toolkit, and more.