

**PANIM: The Institute for Jewish
Leadership and Values, Inc.**

(Rockville, MD)

Jewish Civics Initiative Planning

Total Award: \$100,000 over 11 months

Presidential Authority Grant

To support the Jewish Civics Initiative (JCI) Planning Grant of PANIM: The Institute for Jewish Leadership & Training to engage in an intensive assessment and reframing of JCI. JCI is a year-long service-learning experience for Jewish teenagers that combines a class-based Jewish Civics curriculum, a four-day leadership seminar in Washington that brings together several JCI community delegations, and the creation of major community service/social change projects in local communities. The JCI Planning Grant will a) assess the strengths and weaknesses of JCI in each community in the context of service-learning initiatives in the larger Jewish community; b) identify how to strengthen elements of the JCI program and integrate the components most effectively; c) support existing JCI communities (approximately 20); d) coordinate PANIM's work with the Jewish Coalition for Service and its efforts to upgrade the entire field of community service in the Jewish community; e) explore potential funding partners for the next phase of JCI; and f) determine the best way to take the five to seven strongest JCI communities to the next level.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$100,000 Jewish Life and Values/Contemplative Practice Program: *Goal I, Objectives 1 & 3*