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18 Ways to Live "Never Again"

In the past year, neo-Nazis marched in Charlottesville and anti-Semitic activities have sharply increased both nationally and locally. Let these be a stark reminder of why we must say: Never Again.

- 1. Call out bigotry whenever you hear it, including among loved ones. Don't be a bystander.
- 2. Be an active, informed citizen. Contact your legislators about the rise in anti-Semitism, racism, and all violations of human rights. Your voice matters. Support candidates who speak out against discrimination and hateful rhetoric.
- **3.** Support Jewish institutions by spending time in Jewish spaces, including synagogues, Jewish Museum Milwaukee, and the Harry & Rose Samson Family Jewish Community Center.
- Participate in social action and interfaith coalitions by getting involved in the Jewish Community Relations Council of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation. Sign up at MilwaukeeJewish.org/ JCRC to receive communications about local events and policy issues.
- 5. Support the Nathan and Esther Pelz Holocaust Education Resource Center to ensure that thousands of teachers and young people in our city and our state learn about the Holocaust.
- **6.** If you have young children at home, make sure that they read books about people from other countries, cultures, and religious traditions.
- **7.** Support the Anti-Defamation League and their work to fight anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry.
- **8.** Devote one hour per month to someone unlike you through the JCRC's Hours Against Hate initiative.

- **9.** Reach out to help refugee families who have arrived in Milwaukee. Volunteer with SEA Literacy to help refugee children.
- **10.** In your family, talk about how a diverse society and world enriches your lives. Think about how you are personally enriched by encountering new customs, foods, ideas, and perspectives.
- **11.** Support Milwaukee's Jewish Family Services, which helps Russian immigrants who were displaced by the Nazis, as well as many others in need.
- **12.** Use social media to amplify the voices of people in danger.
- **13.** Learn about forced migration and take action to help refugees by supporting the work of HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society.
- **14.** Support projects of peaceful coexistence in Israel to ensure the security of the Jewish state.
- **15.** Learn about how the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency for Israel have helped, and continue to help, survivors of the Shoah and Jews across the globe.
- 16. The Jewish Foundation for the Righteous provides financial support to more than 500 non-Jews who rescued Jews during the Holocaust and preserves their legacy through a national education program. Learn about their work and consider supporting them.
- **17.** Learn about efforts to remember Jewish life and the Holocaust in Poland, such as the Galicia Jewish Museum in Krakow, and the Museum of the History of Polish Jews in Warsaw.
- **18.** Stand up against hatred, always. Your actions matter.





