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ACTION ITEMS FOR A COMMUNITY - Program design tips

- **Lead with Jewish life, not only persecution.** Programs that show Jewish culture, joy, humor, and contribution build understanding that persecution-only programs don't.
- **Partner with non-Jewish hosts.** Libraries, schools, and civic groups bring audiences you wouldn't reach on your own.
- **Build in conversation.** People change their thinking through dialogue

CELEBRATE JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

- Story time at public libraries
- Community book read or film screening
- Example of what Marblehead High School does
- Share a Jewish cultural experience with the community

COMMEMORATE INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY (January 27)

- Communal screening and discussion of a Holocaust film or book read
- Community program or parlor meeting: host a survivor, 2G, or 3G to share their experience

EDUCATIONAL PROGRMS FOR THE COMMUNTY ABOUT THE JEWISH EXPERIENCE

- **Comparative Judaism Program -** A relaxed, moderated Q&A at a public library or community center, with a panel of Jews of different ages, backgrounds, and levels of observance. The diversity of the panel itself makes the point that Jews are not a monolith.
- **Holiday open houses.** Public Passover seder demonstrations, a Sukkot open sukkah, or a Hanukkah gathering, with a short explanation of the history and meaning behind each ritual.
- **Jewish food and memory.** A cooking demonstration paired with family stories, showing how recipes from Eastern Europe, the Middle East, North Africa, and elsewhere carry Jewish history.
- **Film series with discussion.** Documentaries and features on Jewish life, history, and antisemitism, each followed by a facilitated conversation.

For interfaith and civic groups

- **Shared-history dialogues.** Paired programs with Black, Asian American, Latino, Muslim, Armenian, or other community groups exploring parallel experiences of immigration, discrimination, and resilience.
- **Clergy and civic leader briefings.** Short sessions for faith leaders, police, town officials, and school committees on current antisemitism data and how to respond to local incidents.
- **Sacred-space visits.** A tour of a synagogue with an explanation of the space and its rituals, paired with a reciprocal visit to a church, mosque, or temple.