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JFS of Metrowest to Honor Outstanding Community Leaders At 29th Annual Seize the Dream Gala on April 30, 2019



Josef and Dana Volman



Kronos Incorporated

2019 JFS Max Michelson Humanitarian Awardee

Framingham, MA – December 3, 2018 – JFS of Metrowest is pleased to announce that Josef and Dana Volman of Newton and Kronos Incorporated, headquartered in Lowell, will be honored at the 29th annual Seize the Dream Gala event on Tuesday April 30, 2019 at the Sheraton Framingham Hotel and Conference Center.

Seize the Dream honors area leaders and volunteers who have demonstrated an unfailing commitment and personal dedication to supporting vulnerable children, families, and senior adults in the local community and beyond. This year's honorees have made it their life's work to stand up for those left behind and it is a privilege to recognize these exceptional individuals.

Dana and Josef Volman enjoy partnering together to support community and organizations that create change.

Dana serves on the board of the Boston Jewish Film Festival. She is passionate about the arts and feels film is a valuable medium to share the richness of the Jewish culture. Prior to her involvement at BJFF, Dana volunteered at Lovelane - a therapeutic equestrian facility in Weston MA where she aided children with physical and mental disabilities to learn the incredible healing connection through horses. Dana spent several years working in the fashion industry in New York and helps JFS with various clothing initiatives including co-hosting a clothing drive for women and volunteering at the JFS clothing closet.

Joe was introduced to JFS through his involvement with CJP. He is a Vice President of the Board of JFS, and serves on the Board of Hillel and is a lecturer at Tufts University, his alma mater. Joe was previously on the Board of Temple Shir Tikva in Wayland. He enjoys volunteering with his family at JFS events, such as the annual Thanksgiving Dinner at the Wilson

School in Framingham. Joe is the co-chair of the Business Law Group at Burns & Levinson LLP, where he has been a partner for over 20 years. Joe has built a reputation as a deal maker in the business community, working with entrepreneurs and investors, start up and emerging growth companies, and Private Equity and Venture Capital Firms through all phases of investment and liquidity transactions.

Dana and Joe live in Newton with their son Dylan (19) and daughter Skylar (16). They instill in their children the importance of family, community, and devotion to cause.

Kronos Incorporated is the recipient of the 2019 *Max Michelson Humanitarian Award*.

Character, trust, innovation, and collaboration. That is Kronos Incorporated. Humility and boldness intertwined. That defines the company's employees – known as Kronites – locally and globally, nearly 6,000 strong worldwide. The company's decency combined with the commitment to family, to community and authenticity exemplified by Kronites, align with JFS and our impacts in advancing social and health equity, inclusion and community building.

Kronos' local and global volunteerism and philanthropy demonstrate that every life matters. Kronos' GiveInspired corporate philanthropic charter commits to youth workforce development and alternative education in places where Kronites live and work; to inner city economic development; to education for children and health services for adolescent girls and women in India. Acts like these are what made Kronos a two-time winner of *Fortune* magazine's "Best Workplaces for Giving Back" honor. Just like our beloved Max Michelson, Holocaust Survivor, mentor, friend, teacher, guiding light to so many of us, Kronites **Act. Stand up for those powerless, those without a voice.**

In celebration of these extraordinary community partners, this year's Seize the Dream Gala will be a festive affair with dinner and refreshments provided by over 16 local caterers and restaurants, as well as an online and silent auction featuring 100+ unique items, ranging from dining and vacation packages to electronics and autographed sports memorabilia.

To learn more about this year's honorees or for ticket and sponsorship information, please visit www.jfsmw.org.

About JFS of Metrowest

JFS is a community-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that is dedicated to standing up for those left behind, serving over 5,000 people within the Metrowest and Greater Boston regions each year. The proceeds of the Seize the Dream event support a wide variety of programs including extended-day tutoring for at-risk children, nutrition assistance for low-income families and support services that enable frail older adults to live independently. JFS' sound fiscal management practices have earned it a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, America's largest independent charity evaluator. To learn more about JFS, visit www.jfsmw.org.



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