

Dear Kehilah Community:

We sincerely hope that this letter finds you and your entire family doing well.

During these challenging times, we are all being asked to stretch our patience, creativity, flexibility, thoughtfulness, and forbearance. The Temple leadership understands the need for thoughtful consideration, study, prudence, hard work, and (hopefully) wisdom to direct us forward in this uncertain world. We have all had our lives interrupted; our worship rituals and community activities have been changed.

New Jersey has benefited from its disciplined adherence to state government orders and instructions from the medical community to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus. The Temple Board and clergy are busy planning for our coming year, the High Holidays, and the return into our synagogue building.

TBO President Stacey Schlosser recently appointed a Re-Entry Task Force from across our membership to guide TBO leadership. The task force's mission is to evaluate the various controlling legal orders, medical community recommendations, religious imperatives, and social needs and determine how best to apply them to our *Kehilah's* safe return to our building. The layers of complexity are deep, and feelings are strong in so many ways. The Task Force is purposed with recommending to the board if, when, and how to safely return.

We should all be grateful to our fellow members that have agreed to serve on this tremendous and historic effort. The committee has been organized into subcommittees based on each member's background and forward-looking approach:

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Cantor Galit Dadoun Cohen

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Our Re-Entry Task Force will provide updates in the upcoming weeks through *Cha-Lights* or other Temple email. If you would like to submit a question or idea to the task force, please do so at office@templebnaior.org

Stacey Schlosser

President



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