Motion Passed by Kehilla Board of Trustees
March 27, 2018

Kehilla Community Synagogue will offer and provide sanctuary to individuals and families under the oversight of the Guest Advisory Committee, which will be created pursuant to Article VIII of Kehilla’s By-Laws and include Kehilla’s executive director and representatives from the spiritual leadership and Immigration Committee.

- Kehilla’s Board of Trustees will entrust the Guest Advisory Committee to implement providing sanctuary mindfully and with the utmost care for the well-being of community members and guests. The safety of Kehilla community members, staff, guests and others who use Kehilla’s building will be paramount to approval of any guest.

- The Sanctuary Task Force will collaborate with the spiritual leaders and executive director on engagement of the Kehilla community, the Generosity Committee on any needed fundraising or donations, the executive director and staff on preparation of the physical space, and the Guest Advisory Committee on the creation and observation of related agreements, policies and guidelines.

- In our work to provide sanctuary, Kehilla Community Synagogue will:
  - publicly declare Kehilla a sanctuary congregation with a statement of intent to provide physical sanctuary and make a public statement each time that it begins sheltering an undocumented person/family;
  - only offer sanctuary to a person/family that still has some legal path remaining to avoid deportation; and
  - provide clear guidance and instruction to anyone on the premises that they should not interfere with ICE’s execution of a valid judicial warrant on Kehilla premises.

- During times that Kehilla Community Synagogue does not have someone in sanctuary, if an immigrant individual or family in Kehilla’s immigration network becomes homeless, Kehilla will, under the approval and agreements, policies and guidelines of the Guest Advisory Committee, provide them temporary shelter in Kehilla’s building.