



## December 2024

### Annual Environmental Forum: Powering the Way to a Sustainable Future



#### ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM POWERING THE WAY TO A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
TUESDAY  
DECEMBER 3  
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

**THE EDWARD A. MYERBERG CENTER**  
3101 FALLSTAFF RD  
BALTIMORE

Join the Baltimore Jewish Council and Adamah to learn about environmental advocacy efforts for the upcoming 2025 Legislative Session. With a focus on energy efficiency, we hope you'll leave feeling inspired to take action.

Kosher refreshments will be provided by the Pearlstone Kitchen.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

<https://events.libstate.com/emiroforum24>



**Tuesday, December 3, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.**  
**Edward A. Myerberg Center**

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Our keynote presentation will feature leaders of the new Upgrade Maryland campaign, highlighting their work to protect residents from unnecessary energy rate hikes and jumpstart an equitable transition to clean heat.

Bills that will be highlighted include:

- Maryland Beverage Container Recycling Refund and Litter Reduction Program (a.k.a. Maryland Bottle Bill)
- Ratepayer Protection Act
- Abundant, Affordable Clean Energy (AACE) Act
- Solar Siting Bill
- Land Protection Act
- CHERISH Our Communities Act

We hope you'll leave feeling inspired to take action.

[Register](#)

### 10/7: 100 Human Stories

**Monday, December 16, 6:30 p.m.**  
**Beth El Congregation**

The recently published book *10/7: 100 Human Stories* is a masterful work of investigative journalism by acclaimed Haaretz reporter Lee Yaron, chronicling the October 7 massacre that ignited a war through the stories of more than 100 civilians. These stories are the products of extensive interviews with survivors, the

## 10/7: 100 Human Stories

With Lee Yaron,  
Israeli journalist and author



MONDAY  
DECEMBER 16



6:30-8:00 P.M.



BETH EL  
CONGREGATION



Cost: \$10  
(includes a subsidized copy of the book)



and first responders in Israel and beyond. At a time when people are seeking a deeper understanding of the history of the Israeli Palestinian conflict and how internal political turmoil in Israel has affected it, *10/7* takes a fresh approach, offering answers through the stories of everyday people, those who lived tenuously on the border with Gaza.

The Baltimore Jewish Council invites you to a conversation with Lee who will share some of the stories she heard and speak about her experience of writing this book and the insights she gained. A book signing will follow the

program.

A subsidized copy of the book can be purchased in advance for \$10 or on the night for \$15 (cash only – retail price \$30).\*

Register

## Maryland Premiere of the Torn Documentary



Sunday, December 8, 6 p.m.  
Baltimore Hebrew Congregation

Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, the Baltimore Jewish Council, 3G Baltimore and Beth El Congregation will host the Maryland Premiere of the “Torn” documentary. “Torn” delves into the heart of the controversy surrounding the “KIDNAPPED” poster campaign, which turned New York City’s streets into unexpected battlegrounds for pro-Israel and pro-Palestinian activists. What started as a seemingly straightforward effort to raise awareness for the 240 hostages quickly escalated into an emotionally charged “paper war,”

mirroring the complexities of a war thousands of miles away.

Doors open at 6 p.m., and the movie screening begins at 6:30. A panel discussion will follow the film. For Mature Audiences Only.

Register

## Shuk to the Core – Israel Vendor Fair

Wednesday, December 4, 3:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Beth Tfiloh Congregation

The BJC is joining with partners from across the

The Baltimore Jewish Community is proud to host over 40 Israeli merchants as they make Baltimore their first U.S. stop this fall.

Please help us support our Israeli brothers and sisters at this most challenging time.

Wednesday, December 4 - 3-9 PM

**SHUK TO THE CORE**

ISRAEL VENDOR FAIR

Beth Tfiloh Hurwitz Hall

3300 Old Court Road  
\$5 /Adult - Children FREE

Timed entry tickets available at [bethtfiloh.com/shuk](http://bethtfiloh.com/shuk)

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FALAFEL & PIZZA available for purchase  
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES 5-9 pm

QR code for tickets

to help sponsor “Shuk to the Core” at Beth Tfiloh on Wednesday, December 4, from 3 to 9 p.m. Approximately 40 Israeli merchants who have been severely impacted by the current situation in Israel will be making Baltimore their first stop on a 3-week tour of U.S. Jewish communities.

Areyvut has been sponsoring Israel Vendor Fairs in New York and New Jersey since October 7th as a way to provide much-needed financial support to the many Israeli vendors who are dependent on sales to Israeli tourists and are currently desperate for customers. They will bring a wide range of

merchandise, including art, jewelry, Judaica, Kippot, crafts, books and more. Falafel and pizza will be available for purchase, and there will be supervised children’s activities from 5-9 pm.

There is a \$5 admission charge for adults (\$18 max per family) attending the Shuk to help subsidize vendors’ air fare and the cost of shipping their merchandise to the U.S. Timed entry tickets are recommended to be purchased in advance to assist with crowd control and parking.

[Purchase Timed Entry Tickets](#)

## Meet New Team Member, Karla Press-Porter



**Karla Press-Porter is the new Program Coordinator of the Elijah Cumming Youth Program.** Karla is responsible for supporting the planning, coordinating and implementation of ECYP’s youth fellowship. Prior to joining as Program Coordinator, Karla was ECYP’s program intern for two years. Karla graduated from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County and holds a B.S. in Biology and a minor in American Studies and Public Humanities. Karla is excited about continuing her work with ECYP and shares

that she “loves coming in to work with the students, it is so fulfilling, and it inspires me to continue to be an advocate for myself and the communities we come from”.

[Connect with Karla](#)

## LDP Visits WBAL TV

Our Leadership Development Program cohort had an amazing visit to WBAL-TV in November, including seeing the studio during the 6 pm newscast. A



special thanks to Dan Joerres, president and general manager, and WBAL-TV anchor Deborah Weiner for taking so much time to talk with the group about media in Baltimore.

## Lessons of the Shoah Recap



Last month we partnered with the John Carroll School for the annual Lessons of the Shoah program. This day-long conference for high school students in the region focused on the theme 'How Children Experienced the Holocaust,' looking at the lives of Jewish children pre, during, and post-war. 14 schools and over 350 students joined us for this moving and important day of learning in community. We are grateful to the John Carroll School for their continued effort in enhancing Holocaust education.



## Save The Date

**JOIN US!**

Mark your calendars  
and join us in honoring the  
legacy of Congressman Elijah Cummings  
on what would have been his 74th birthday.

January  
**12**  
2025

LOCATION: **BALTIMORE UNITY HALL** | TIME: **2-4PM** | **FREE**

Let's continue to keep his legacy alive and build stronger connections for the future.

*We can't wait to celebrate with you  
and honor Congressman Cummings!*

Hosted by ECYP and  
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**One Park Heights Family Festival**  
Sunday, March 23, 2025, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
Baltimore City Public Safety Training Facility (3500 W Northern Parkway)

More details to come.

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