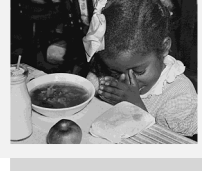


**1895** 2 years after Hannah G. Solomon founded National Council of Jewish Women the **St. Louis Section** of NCJW is established with 34 members.

**1919** St. Louis Section pioneers a **Free Milk Program** in the St. Louis public schools. Responsibility for the program was assumed by the school system in the 1930's.



**1920** **The St. Louis Scholarship Committee** is founded to provide interest free loans for post high school education. The first loan is given to a Jewish woman who is a nursing student. Becomes an independent, non-sectarian organization by 1960, known as the **Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis**.

**1923** Begins sponsoring monthly **Luncheons for the Blind**, open to the St. Louis community. This was the section's longest running community service project.

**1940** Establishes the **Council Shop**, a resale store, now located at 295 N. Lindbergh Blvd. and called The Resale Shop. Profits provide funding to support NCJW projects.

**1956** Opens **Council House Summer Day Camp** for children, "Camp Council", serving 600 children ages 6-10.

**1960** **Art Interest Group** is developed in partnership with the St. Louis Art Museum.

**1964** The first **Couturier Sale** is held in a member's home. This sale continued as an annual event and source of funding for NCJW community service projects.



**1964** Initiates plan to build the **Delcrest Apartments**, a 144-unit housing facility and activities program for low-income older adults.

**1969** **The Delcrest**, an apartment complex for older adults, opens in University City following NCJW's first capital campaign.

**1976** **Wife-Widow-Woman** Support Groups begin for women of all ages who have been widowed.

**1977** **Victim Service Council (VSC)** is established to provide supportive services to victims of crime. Becomes part of St. Louis County Prosecutor's Office, January 1996.

**1980** **Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)** is founded to advocate for the rights of abused and neglected children under the jurisdiction of the St. Louis County Juvenile Court. Becomes an independent agency, January 1996.

**1983** **Oral History Project** initiated to "Preserve the Past for the Future Generations". Trained volunteers conduct interviews and tape family histories.

**1984** **Legal Advocates for Abused Women (LAAW)** is established to assist women seeking legal protection from abusive relationships. Becomes independent in October 1995.

**1985** NCJW volunteers assist with **Mothers in the Workplace**, a project of the National Center for the Child, to document social revolution of women joining the labor force.

**1986** **Junior Council** is created to foster community service leadership among Jewish youth. In 2013, the program was redesigned into CONNECT, a membership program for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade girls.

**1989** **Rule of Thumb** video produced to provide education on domestic violence.

**1991** NCJW initiates three-year capital campaign to raise 8.2 million dollars to build the **Delcrest II**, which expands residential facilities for older adults.

**1992** **Child Abuse Detection and Prevention Program (CAPP)** is implemented in partnership with Jewish Family & Children's Service, to educate professionals and parents about the problem of child abuse.

**1995** Dedication of the **Gladys and Henry Crown Center for Senior Living (the Delcrest II)**.

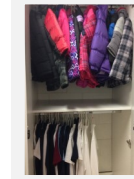
**1995** **Silent Witness Exhibit** opens at Saint Louis Galleria, as a memorial to women in Missouri murdered due to domestic violence. This educational project continues to tour St. Louis and Missouri.

**1999** To raise awareness of **Teen Dating Violence**, NCJW compiles a resource and information guide that is made available to area youth groups and schools. A speaker's bureau is trained to facilitate workshops.

**2000** **The Back-To-School! Store™** is developed as a one-day event to provide clothing, school supplies, and personal care items for deserving children in the St. Louis area and get them excited to head back to school. The first event was held in August 2001.

**2007** **OACAP (Older Adult Community Action Program)** becomes part of NCJW's community service programs. OACAP provides information, advocacy and educational opportunities for older adults in our community.

**2008** **Kid's Community Closet** pilots in the Wellston School District. Closets are built in selected schools to provide for the ongoing emergent needs of children to enable them to stay in school and get an education. Currently we are in 15 schools and over 5,000 students can access.

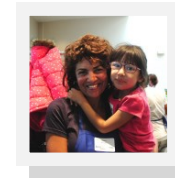


**2008** **Lunch and Learn** election education series begins, educating community members each election cycle about the election process, political process and legislative involvement.

**2011** NCJW initiates a **Micro lending program, Healing Hearts Bank**. The program helps women in domestic violence (DV) situations and other women at risk to gain financial and economic independence.

**2012** **NCJW and The Resale Shop** move into one building at 295 N. Lindbergh, to consolidate operations and better serve the community.

**2014** **Project Renewal** is designed to empower underserved women by providing the tools they need to succeed at work and home through skills training, financial literacy education and personal makeovers, plus an opportunity to shop at The Resale Shop with a volunteer personal shopper and a gift certificate.



**2014** NCJW establishes a **Human Trafficking Task Force** to educate the community and identify ways to protect women and children.