



DESERT IN BLOOM:
The 43rd Annual IAJFL Conference
October 19-21, 2025
Hosted by Jewish Free Loan of Greater Phoenix

SAMPLE CONFERENCE AGENDA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

Time	Type	Title
9:45-11:45am	Meeting	BOD Meeting/Strategic Planning
10:00am	Transportation	Bus Departs Hotel
11am-12pm		Conference Registration
12-12:30pm		Welcome & Lunch
12:30-1:30pm	Group Session	Sharing is Caring: <i>Innovative Free Loan Ideas</i>
1:30-2:30pm	Group Session	When the Ends Don't Meet: <i>Confronting Financial Insecurity in our Communities</i>
2:30-2:45pm		BREAK
2:45-4:15pm	Agency Meetings	<u>Agency Meetings By Size</u> 1. Small Agency Executive Directors 2. Small Agency Staff & Volunteers 3. Large Agency Executive Directors 4. Large Agency Staff & Volunteers
4:15-4:30pm		BREAK
4:30-5:30pm	Networking <i>(check your nametags for group assignment)</i>	Getting to Know You. <u>Getting to Know All About You.</u> Blue Group Green Group Yellow Group
5:30-6:30pm		Southwest Happy Hour
6:30-8:00pm		Poolside BBQ
8:00pm	Transportation	Bus to Hotel

See you tomorrow morning!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

Time	Type	Title
8:00am	Transportation	Bus Departs Hotel
8:30-9:00am		Continental Breakfast
9:00-10:15am	Panel Presentation	Helping Make Ends Meet: <i>Evolving Free Loan Models in Times of Financial Crisis</i>
10:15-10:30am		BREAK
10:30-11:45am Breakout Sessions	Loans Governance Fundraising Social Media Special Session	1. Access Approved: An Open Conversation About Borrower & Guarantor Criteria 2. Building a Strong Board Foundation: Bylaws, Board Policies & Best Practices 3. From Ask to Impact: Building Appeals That Inspire People to Give 4. From Posts to People: Building Online Communities 5. Community Seconds Program: Lending for Home Purchase (45 min session)
11:45am-12:30pm		Lunch
12:30-1:45pm	Group Session	Loan Wars: <i>The Great Lending Debate</i>
1:45-2:00pm		BREAK
2:00-3:15pm Breakout Sessions	Loans Governance Outreach Planned Giving	1. Trust But Verify: Fraud Prevention in Interest-Free Lending 2. Mission in Motion: Effective Board & Volunteer Committees 3. Partnerships With Purpose: Building Impact Through Community Connections 4. Legacy of Generosity: Building Endowments that Endure
3:15-3:30pm		BREAK
3:30-4:45pm	Networking	<u>Affinity Group Meetings</u> 1. Canadian Agencies 2. Federation & JFCS 3. Non-Sectarian Agencies 4. Open Discussion/Networking
5:00pm	Transportation	Bus to Hotel/Free Evening

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

Time	Type	Title
8:00am	Transportation	Bus Departs Hotel
8:30-9:15am	Meeting	IAJFL Business Meeting & Continental Breakfast
9:15-10:30am	Group Session	Artificial Intelligence, Real Impact: <i>Opportunities, Ethics & Applications for Free Loans</i>
10:30-10:45pm		BREAK
10:45am-12:00pm Breakout Sessions	Loans Operations Outreach/Board Development Fundraising	1. Pay It Back, Pay It Forward: <i>Successful Repayment Strategies</i> 2. Smarter, Not Harder: <i>Tech Tools & Tips for Efficient Operations</i> 3. Future-Facing: <i>Outreach Strategies for Engaging the Next Generation of Free Loan Leadership</i> 4. Beyond the Ask: <i>The Art & Importance of Donor Stewardship</i>
12:00-12:30pm		Lunch
12:30-1:30pm	Group Session	Protect the Mission, Protect the Data: <i>Cybersecurity as a Core Part of Nonprofit Leadership</i>
1:30-2:00pm		Closing & Wrap-Up

See you in Austin!