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JELF Circles Around With Young Professionals

Happy hour gives loan recipients a chance to talk about how they are benefiting and why they are paying it forward.

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Erica Cohen, Casey Silberman, Alli Boardman and Shira Davis attend the JELF happy hour April 18. (Photo courtesy of JELF)

“JELF fosters a unique opportunity to get involved in an organization that is truly about full-circle giving,” [Jewish Educational Loan Fund](#) board member Jordan Arogeti said in welcoming nearly 40 young professionals to a happy hour at [Taverna](#) at the [Shops Buckhead Atlanta](#) on Tuesday, April 17.

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Ilana Lind, an event co-chair and past JELF loan recipient, said during the brief program, “JELF gave me the opportunity to complete my education, and I am so proud to now pay it forward.”

Josh Schaier, JELF’s director of development, facilitated the remarks by JELF recipients. One spoke about a family’s college savings being used to pay for necessary medical treatment, and another lost both parents to illness before college.



Board President Stan Lowenstein provided words of inspiration about being involved in such a noble cause.

“JELF’s interest-free loans for education are small but powerful sums of money for the Jewish students we serve,” JELF CEO Jenna Shulman said. “Each time we fund a student, that is one more dollar that they don’t have to borrow at a high interest rate.”

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Jordan Arogeti and Aubrey Wasilewsky



Group of Happy Hour Attendees



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JELF Director of Development Josh Schaier, JELF CEO Jenna Shulman,
Board President Stan Lowenstein and JELF Recipient Elizabeth Goldberg