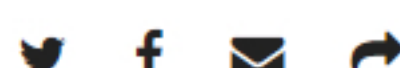


# Jewish Community Services delivers holiday food baskets to seniors for Rosh Hashanah

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Jewish Community Services provide food gift baskets to Holocaust survivors and homebound seniors at the Annual Rosh Hashanah Milk & Honey event at the Michael-Ann Russell Jewish Community Center in Ojus, Florida, Sunday, Sep. 13, 2020. BY SAMUEL NAVARRO / FOR THE MIAMI HERALD

With the start of the Jewish High Holidays later this week, more than 500 volunteers delivered food to senior citizens on Sunday.

Jewish Community Services of South Florida runs the annual distribution of more than 500 gift baskets to Holocaust survivors and older people who can't leave their homes.

Rosh Hashanah begins Friday night after sundown, and traditionally includes a festive meal with sweet ingredients such as apples and honey.



Lindsey Weingard loads bags of food gifts into the trunk of a car as the Jewish Community Services of South Florida and over five hundred volunteers provide much-needed connections and deliver 560 food gift baskets to homebound seniors in the community at the Annual Rosh Hashanah Milk & Honey event at the Michael-Ann Russell Jewish Community Center in Ojus, Florida, Sunday, September 13, 2020. SAM NAVARRO SPECIAL FOR THE MIAMI HERALD

“Although this year’s Milk & Honey Event will be somewhat different due to social distancing, the spirit of caring and community is stronger than ever,” said President and CEO Miriam Singer. “Our traditions and rituals are a reminder that we are a community — strong and vibrant, diverse and unique.”

Because of the pandemic, volunteers picked up pre-assembled holiday baskets to make door-to-door deliveries.



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