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COMEMORATING YOM HASHOAH



As we honor Holocaust Remembrance Day, we are mindful that in times of crisis, fear travels further and faster than fact. Throughout history, challenging times have led to an increase in scapegoating, xenophobia, and hurtful and damaging rhetoric. Today, during the COVID-19 pandemic, ADL has documented a significant rise in hatred as people look for someone to blame.

Yom HaShoah, a call for remembrance, presents a meaningful opportunity for us to reflect on the past in order to build a positive and peaceful present and future. Although we may not be able to physically be together, we can still honor this day by practicing one of the greatest lessons from the Holocaust: it is never too soon to be an ally and loudly speak up for those targeted by hatred.

ADL's partnership with [Echoes & Reflections](#) provides Holocaust education programs and resources for educators and students, and offers lessons on how we can remember the victims of the Holocaust during this turbulent time. Please [click here](#) to read the most recent Echoes & Reflections blog post: [Comemorating Yom Hashoah in These Times](#).

ADL NATIONAL INITIATIVES

Joint Statement of Solidarity by Jewish Communal Organizations

New York, NY, April 1, 2020 ... ADL (the Anti-Defamation League) We join today as representatives of Jewish American communal organizations to urge our political leaders and all our fellow Americans to treat this public health crisis as a moment for kindness and solidarity, and to make extra efforts to reach towards one another in support, not look to blame or scapegoat.

Jews as a people have a long history of being singled out and stigmatized during times of societal crisis, including being blamed without basis for the spread of disease. Particularly in times of great fear, uncertainty and unrest, that demonization can increase the risk and even open the door to violent outbursts of bigotry and hatred. This history compels us to call on all people and particularly all leaders to reject conspiracy theories and the singling out of Asian Americans, foreigners, immigrants, Jews, or any other communities in this moment.

We also request our nation's leaders to consistently refer to this disease only by its clinical name, COVID-19, and to avoid problematic descriptions for it, such as "the Chinese virus." Use of these terms could lead some people to blame particular groups for a deadly disease that infects equally, without regard for race, ethnicity, or national origin.

Now is the time to promote unity, to reach across the aisle in compassion, to show an extra measure of empathy toward all people, and to love our neighbors like ourselves.

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ADL JOINT STATEMENT OF SOLIDARITY

ADL joined with more than 180 Jewish communal groups in a joint statement urging political leaders and all Americans to treat the COVID-19 pandemic as a "moment for kindness and solidarity, and to make extra efforts to reach towards one another in support, not look to blame or scapegoat."

As COVID-19 has spread across the United States and impacted almost all aspects of daily life, ADL and others have documented an alarming rise in xenophobic and racist incidents.

[Click here](#) to read our full press release.



FIGHTING HATE FROM HOME: LIVE WEBINAR TOMORROW

At a time when we can all feel isolated, we need to pull together now more than ever to stand up against antisemitism and extremism. ADL is offering a new series of webinars called [Fighting Hate from Home](#) to help unite and inform our community.

Please [click here](#) to view recordings of the recent webinars in the series, and click the link below to register for our upcoming webinars. Our next webinar will be held tomorrow, April 22nd at 4:30pm.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)



HATE IN THE TIME OF CORONAVIRUS WEBINAR

ADL is proud to present a webinar tomorrow at 4:00pm with LULAC and Unidos US that will focus on the impacts of COVID-19 in the Latino and immigrant communities. ADL's Center on Extremism will present the current state of hate and how we must work together in these difficult times.

The webinar will feature Keynote Speakers:

Alan Tacher, Host of Univision "Despierta America"

Sindy Benavides, LULAC CEO

Aryeh Tuchman, ADL Associate Director, Center on Extremism

Claudia Ruiz, Analyst, Policy Analysis Center

Monica Bauer, ADL Director of Hispanic Affairs

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SPOTLIGHT ON EDUCATION INITIATIVES



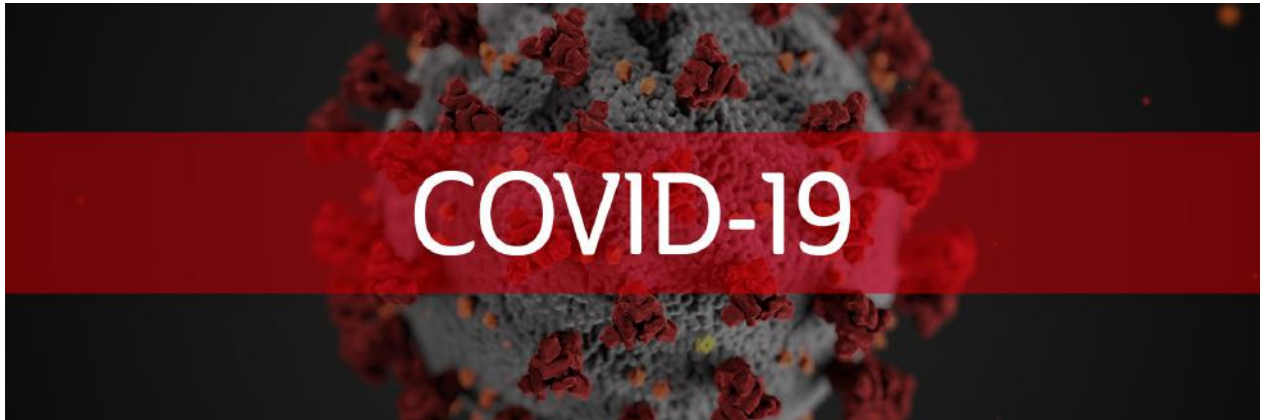
ADL EDUCATION RESOURCES AVAILABLE ONLINE FOR EDUCATORS AND STUDENTS

As educators and their students transition to distance learning amidst the coronavirus pandemic, ADL Education is making lesson plans about identity and bias, discussion guides for recommended books and Table Talk resources for families available in digital formats. These resources will be accessible for free on ADL's website and the online learning platform Sutori. Recently published resources include digital versions of ADL's "[Emojis and Me](#)" lesson plan, which teaches the importance of representation and diversity in digital communication, and the discussion guide for [Under My Hijab](#), a children's book that honors the diverse lives of contemporary Muslim women and girls.

Additionally, ADL Education's latest [Table Talk](#) empowers families to understand and reflect on how COVID-19 has highlighted and widened societal inequities, further marginalizing already vulnerable groups of people.

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ADL NY/NJ COVID-19 RESOURCES



As America responds to the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, we at ADL are actively mobilized and continuing our important work of "Fighting Hate for Good." While recognizing we live in uncertain and unpredictable times, we also realize our vital mission *to stop the defamation of the Jewish people and secure justice and fair treatment to all* continues, and remains just as important now as it did a week, month, or a year ago.

ADL NY/NJ has created a summary of resources, including ADL's activities and responses since the escalation of the COVID-19 outbreak. Please [click here](#) to learn more, and please check back often for consistent updates.

For additional live updates on our work, please visit us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

ADL NY/NJ IN THE MEDIA

SPEAKING OUT AGAINST ANTISEMITISM AND HATE DURING

COVID-19 OUTBREAK

- March 17: [Some in Capital Region Chinese community seeking guns as protection as coronavirus backlash sparks fear](#) (Dailygazette.com)
 - March 22: [Head of British Foreign Office's Coronavirus Operations Condemns 'Sad, Hateful' Pandemic-Related Antisemitism](#) (Algemeiner.com)
 - March 23: [Jews Fear Another Threat: Anti-Semitism](#) (Haaretz.com)
 - March 25: [Anti-Semites Threaten Jews with Virus, and the FBI Issues a Warning](#) (Jewishweek.com)
 - March 26: [Jewish man told 'you're spreading coronavirus,' asked to leave store](#) (JPost.com)
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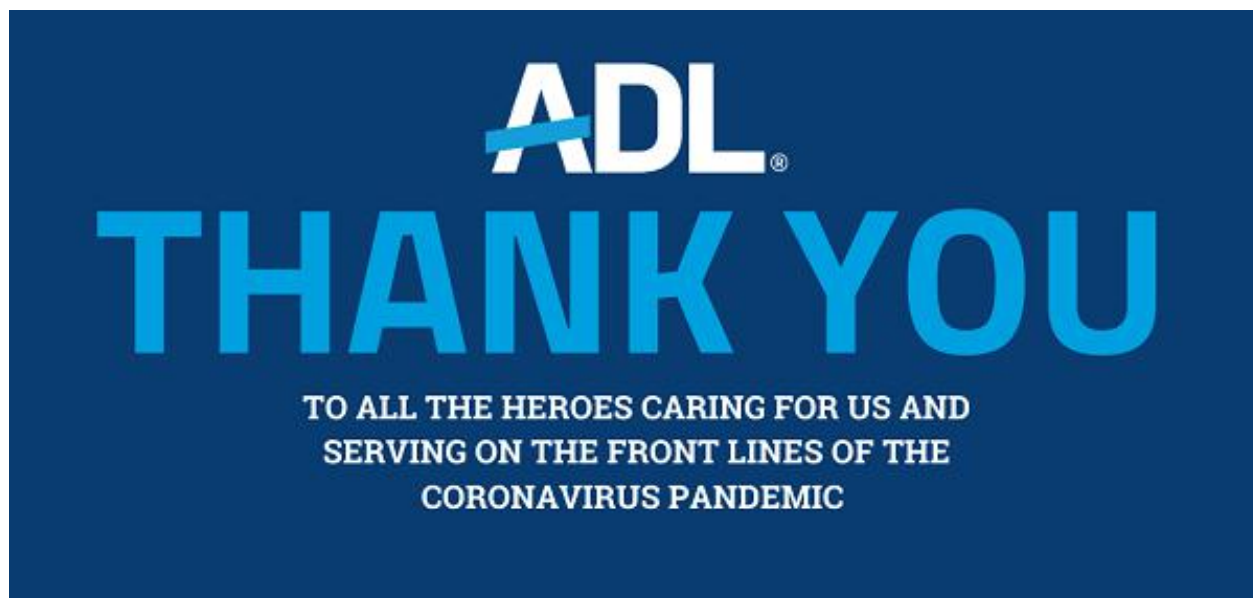
FURTHER INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES



WORLDWIDE CELEBRATION OF ISRAEL'S INDEPENDENCE DAY

Join ADL and the Jewish Federation of North America (JFNA) in a worldwide

virtual celebration of Israel's Independence Day. To learn more about this star-studded, one hour Facebook Live event and for more updates, visit the event page by [clicking here](#).



SEND A MESSAGE OF SUPPORT TO THOSE SERVING ON THE FRONTLINES

While ADL keeps the fight against antisemitism, bigotry and hate going amid this pandemic, we are beyond grateful to our brave heroes on the frontlines around the world keeping us safe and fighting the coronavirus.

Please join ADL in showing these individuals our gratitude and support. [Click here](#) to share your message of thanks and appreciation for the COVID-19 frontline workers, including but not limited to: community service workers, first responders, healthcare workers, law enforcement officials, scientists, and all other essential service workers and helpers assisting our communities.

[SEND A MESSAGE OF SUPPORT](#)



HELP COMBAT ANTISEMITISM IN YOUR COMMUNITY

ADL's Signature Synagogue Program is a network of engaged congregations committed to fighting antisemitism and all forms of hate. Signature Synagogues receive direct access to ADL programs, resources and learning opportunities. The Program creates a central location for members to become ambassadors for ADL, when standing up to antisemitism and hate is more important than ever. For more information, **please contact [Hannah Sattler](#)**.

REGIONAL EVENTS UPDATE

SAVE THE DATE

NEW YORK / NEW JERSEY

ANNUAL MEETING

POSTPONED

Due to the uncertainty of the current climate around COVID-19, and out of an abundance of caution, ADL NY/NJ has made the decision to postpone our upcoming regional events, including our Annual Meeting. We will provide more information soon on a rescheduled date. Thank you for understanding.

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