

Sally Gottesman



Sally Gottesman has been involved in the not-for-profit sector for over 30 years as both a professional and lay leader.

As a lay-leader, Sally is the Chair of Encounter, an educational organization working toward informed, courageous and resilient American & Israeli Jewish communal leadership on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. She is also deeply committed to research in Neurofibromatosis (NF-1) and helped to establish and is actively involved with Neurofibromatosis Therapeutic Acceleration Program (N-TAP) at Johns Hopkins as well as serving as a co-chair of the Development Committee of The Children's Tumor Foundation.

Prior to these endeavors, Sally co-founded and served as the Founding Chair of Moving Traditions, which emboldens Jewish youth to challenge sexism and develop their own Jewish identities through Moving Traditions' teen groups, Rosh Hodesh for girls, Shevet for boys, and Tzelem for nonbinary and trans teens, and its Kol Koleinu Feminist Fellowship, focused on social justice activism. Her past Board service also includes: The Reconstructionist Rabbinical College (RRC), Kolot at RRC where she was instrumental in the creation of ritualwell.org, Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (NYC), The Jewish Funders Network, American Jewish World Service, Americans for Peace Now and The Jewish Women's Archive

Professionally, Sally had a 15-year career as a consultant to not-for-profit organizations, working both at KPMG Peat Marwick and The Eleemosynary Group. She also served as the first NY/Tri-State Regional Director of the New Israel Fund and the first employee of the Israel Women's Network in Jerusalem

Sally is a Board member of with her family-owned-business, Edison Properties, LLC which owns and operates Manhattan Mini Storage and Edison/Park Fast Parking, primarily in Manhattan and Newark, NJ.

Sally's articles on philanthropy, Judaism, Israel, feminism, and class have been published in a variety of books and newspapers.

A graduate of Wellesley College, Sally double majored in Economics and Religion. She received her MBA from The Yale School of Management. She lives in NYC with her three children, Alice (13), Ezra (12) and Charlotte (9).