



'If I didn't move here life would be very difficult. Living in my Jewish Blind & Disabled flat has definitely changed my life and made me feel good about myself as well. It's very important to me that I can be as independent as possible.' Miriam, JBD tenant

have recently appointed a new member of staff to manage the growth and development of this service. They'll also undertake research to understand any further support needs that Jewish people living with physical disabilities and vision impairment may have. This service is funded thanks to the generosity of our supporters.

In 2022, we embarked on the construction of our eighth development, Ephraim Court, in Mill Hill. Due for completion at the end of 2024, this development will provide 30 new apartments. Ephraim Court will go some way to meeting demand in north-west London, however, we don't believe we can stop there. We know there is demand from the community for a development in Hertfordshire. We have £3m left to raise for this £10m development. Once raised we will actively look for a new site.

The report provides you with a brief snapshot of our work. Our doors are open; should you wish to find out more please do get in touch.

We would not be here today if it wasn't for our committed donors and volunteers, without whom none of the things you are about to read would have been possible.

Marc Gordon, Chairman

JEWISH BLIND & DISABLED IMPACT REPORT 2022

Welcome to our first impact report, in which we summarise the impact Jewish Blind & Disabled has made on people's lives in the past year.

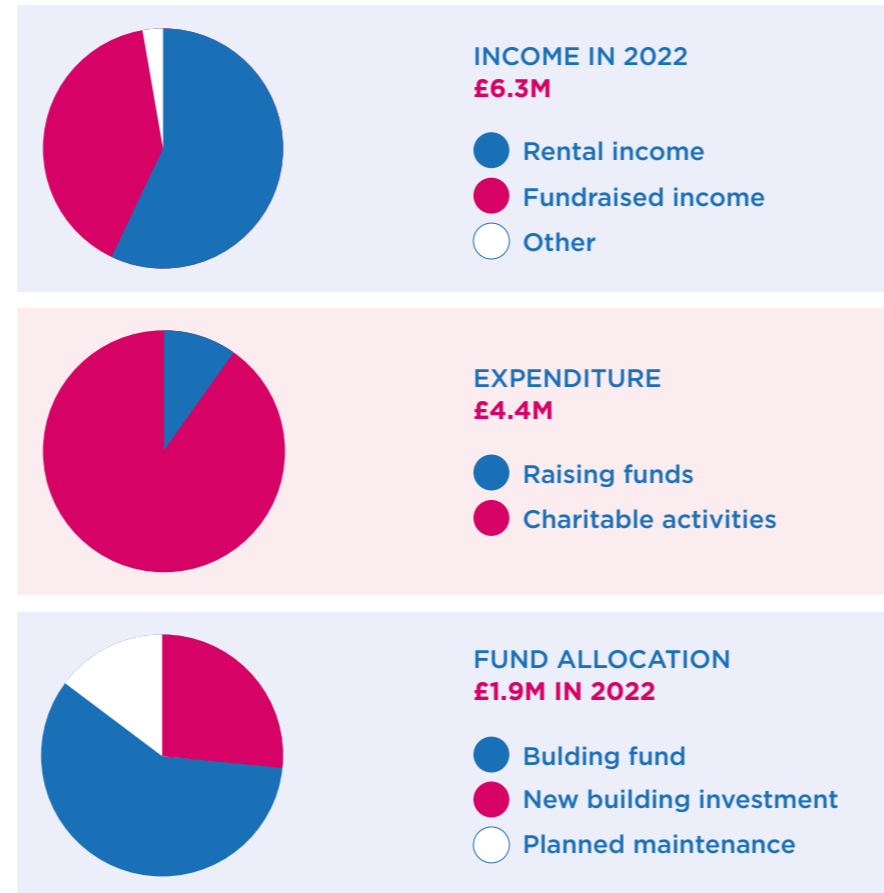
Demand for both our housing and community-based support services has never been higher. We currently have 95 households on our waiting list for an apartment to become available and for the first time ever we have had a small waiting list for our Independent Living Advisory Service which provides support to people living in their own home.

A service offering support with small everyday aids and adaptations has developed into an offering that is vital to enable people to continue living safely in their own home. We

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

All of our tenants pay rent, however 79% of tenants are in receipt of housing benefit, which will only cover 50% of the cost of our 24/7 House Managers support service. The remaining 21% of tenants in our developments are self-funders. They pay an affordable market rent level and the full cost of the 24/7 house management service provided by Jewish Blind & Disabled.

Thanks to the generosity of the community, we own the majority of our developments, which allows us to keep rents affordable. We receive no government funding, so the community's support also enables us to offer a wide range of services.



IMPACT REPORT 2022



LIVING AT JBD



360

tenants lived at JBD developments in total

Which means 360 Jewish adults with disabilities and/or vision impairments felt secure, enabled and independent.



262.8k

individual phone calls were made by House Managers to tenants

Which means each tenant felt supported by our House Managers who call tenants daily to enquire after their wellbeing.

ADVICE AND SUPPORT

'I was struggling for a long time to get in and out of my bath - it was making me upset and frustrated. Then I heard from a friend about JBD's Independent Living Advisory Service. The advisor suggested I use a bath board. I was so relieved there was a relatively simple solution to my problem and I now know I can manage in my own home.'

Independent Living Advisory Service client



25

tenants were given advice on completing benefit applications by our tenancy support team

Which means we've helped them to access the financial help they're entitled to.



72

people living in their own home were given advice by our occupational therapists through the Independent Living Advisory Service (ILAS)

Which means we provided them with advice, support, aids and adaptations to enable them to remain safely in their own home.

JBD AND THE COMMUNITY



728

Shabbat candles lit across our developments and celebrations for every festival of the year

Which means tenants, some of whom struggle to get out and about, came together to celebrate their Judaism within their own warm, supportive community.



47

educational workshops were delivered by our JBD tenant ambassadors, supported by our staff, in 21 schools

Which means 1,550 children gained a better understanding of how people with different abilities go about their daily lives.



'I've fallen a few times since moving in, but the House Managers have really looked after me while we've waited for the ambulance. I feel very good knowing that if anything happens I'll always be well looked after.'

Lawrence,
a tenant at our Cherry Tree Court development

350

shopping minibus trips were made to local supermarkets and kosher shops

Which means we can offer tenants who struggle with public transport to do their own shopping, retaining their independence, and in turn enabling them to cook for themselves.

