

KINDLING HOPE

Jewish Philanthropies
of SOUTHERN ARIZONA



Remembering October 7. Rebuilding as One.

Wednesday, October 7, 2026

5:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Three years after October 7, we gather to remember those we lost and to begin a tradition of remembrance we can return to, year after year. Hear how that day changed lives in Israel and here in our own Jewish community.

5:00 PM

Community Gathering

Kosher food available. Explore exhibits and meet representatives from our partner organizations as they share what October 7 changed for them and what they have built since.

6:15 PM

Remembrance Ceremony

A commemorative ceremony with community leaders, prayers, and tributes. Shay Oren, our new Senior Israel Emissary, shares his story of returning home from his honeymoon as October 7 unfolded.

6:35 PM

Kindling Hope

Join in a communal candle lighting. Community leaders pass a flame into the gathering, from candle to candle, until every candle is lit.

6:45 PM

Keynote Presentation

Uri Sharon entered Kfar Aza as a soldier on October 7. Now an artist and reservist, he works with children from the Gaza border communities and paints alongside them.

7:10 PM

The American Jewish Story

The October 8th Jew. Molly Dunn, JPISA's Education Associate, shares how October 7 changed her life, from confronting antisemitism in academia to finding new purpose in Jewish community leadership.

7:25 PM

Closing & Rebuilding Together

FREE ADMISSION. PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Location shared with registered guests.

Register

<https://jparizona.regfox.com/2026-wic-kindling-hope>



Rolling partner list