



2025 Capitol Summit Priorities

A bold declaration that the California Jewish community stands up for ourselves and for all people

JPAC strives to represent our own community's core safety concerns and provide critical social services to all those in need. This slate 30+ bills and budget requests meaningfully address the Jewish community's core issues and values.

The following five bills and budget requests will be our focus issues at Capitol Summit, May 5-6.
See the full list at: <https://jpac-cal.org/legislation>



Countering Antisemitism in K-12 Education

With unthinkable levels of antisemitism in schools following Hamas's October 7, 2023 terrorist onslaught, JPAC is jumping into action to protect Jewish students.



AB 1468 (Zbur, Addis, Becker) **UNBIASED ETHNIC STUDIES**

Implements ethnic studies with accuracy and integrity, and without bias in California's K-12 schools. Specifically, it would direct state agencies to create content standards, curriculum frameworks, and instructional material that exist for every other required high school course so that teachers have guidance about what should and should not be taught in the classroom.



SB 472 (Stern) // **Holocaust & Genocide Education (HGE) Grant Program** – \$10 million

Creates an annual reporting requirement for districts on how they are teaching HGE. It also provides school districts with grants for professional development or other needed supports in order to effectively teach HGE. This bill is designed to implement two of the recommendations from the Governor's Council on HGE.

Supporting Vulnerable Communities

We aim to uphold the Torah's most enumerated commandment – v'ahavta lere'acha kamocho (loving the stranger as yourself) – by working to support aging Holocaust survivors and those experiencing food insecurity.



Holocaust Survivor Assistance Program (HSAP) – \$36 million

Provides \$36 million over three years for the Holocaust Survivor Assistance Program (HSAP) to provide trauma-informed at-home care for frail Holocaust survivors. This extends an existing state program – which sunsets in June – that supports the last generation of survivors to age with dignity.



SB 225 (McNerney) **FREE SUMMER MEALS FOR ALL**

Expands California's free summer meals program to allow a parent, guardian, or caregiver to receive a meal with their child, helping to fight hunger during these uncertain economic times. The state's Department of Education would reimburse summer meal program operators for caregiver meals.



SB 411 (Perez) **FOOD BENEFITS FOR LOW-INCOME STUDENTS**

Fights child hunger by creating a single statewide SUN Bucks application website so that all eligible students take advantage of this federal nutrition benefit, and establishing the BOOST Nutrition benefit to provide food support during school breaks and emergencies.