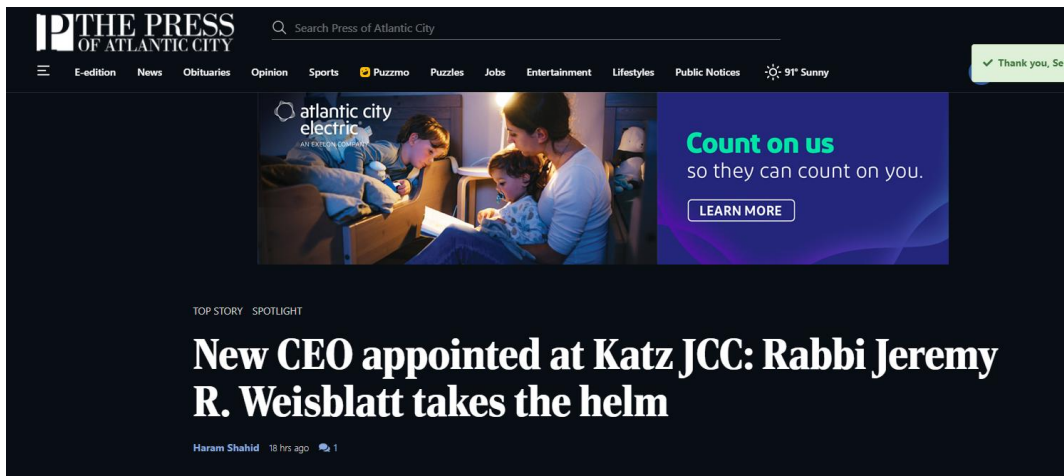




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MARGATE — The Marjorie & Lewis Katz Jewish Community Center has appointed Rabbi Jeremy R. Weisblatt as its new CEO, citing his experience in community engagement, fundraising and organizational leadership.

"After interviewing several highly qualified candidates from across the country, the board unanimously selected Rabbi Jeremy for his vision, his deep commitment to Jewish community and his proven ability to lead organizations through growth and change," JCC board President Wendy Feldman said in a statement. "We are confident that his leadership will strengthen the Katz JCC for generations to come."

Weisblatt succeeds Marg Rosenblatt and is expected to begin serving as CEO later this month. He currently lives with his family in West Chester, Pennsylvania, and plans to relocate to Atlantic County.

Weisblatt most recently served as director and rabbi of Grant Hillel at the University of Delaware, where he led engagement efforts for more than 2,200 Jewish students, oversaw staff development and expanded donor and philanthropic partnerships, the JCC said Thursday in a news release. Before that, he served as rabbi of Temple Ohav Shalom in Allison Park, Pennsylvania, where he helped increase synagogue membership by 50%, introduced a new governance structure and supported fundraising initiatives.

His previous leadership roles also include assistant rabbi at Temple Sholom in Chicago and rabbi at Beth Shalom Temple in Fredericksburg, Virginia, where he helped lead development campaigns and oversaw technology, marketing and communications initiatives.

Weisblatt is pursuing a doctorate in Hebrew Letters at Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion. He also holds executive and nonprofit management certificates from Duke University and a certificate in financial success for nonprofits from Cornell University.

“The Katz JCC is a cornerstone of Jewish life and community in Atlantic County, and I look forward to working with the board, staff, members and partners to build on its strong foundation,” Weisblatt said. “I’m excited to listen, learn and work side by side with this community to grow what’s already working, try new ideas and make sure the JCC continues to feel like home for everyone.”

