

NOMINATION FORM



Phyllis G. Margolius

IMPOSSIBLE DREAM AWARD

The recipient requirements are as follows:

- Work experience of at least 5 years in the Jewish community
- Currently affiliated with a Jewish organization
- Has expressed a commitment to remain in Jewish communal work
- Professional resides in the DC area

The ideal recipient will also have the following qualifications:

- An exceptional Jewish nonprofit professional
- Has had a significant impact on the local, national or Israeli community
- Worked to overcome obstacles to generate outstanding outcomes, often overcoming difficult obstacles
- A role model for others
- Collaborator on teams
- Dedicated to Jewish continuity

Nominee Information

Name

E-mail address

Phone number

Place of work

Organization's regional scope

☐ Local

☐ National

☐ Global

☐ Israel

Collaborating organizations
(if any)

Place of residence

Address:

State:
(Choose one)

☐ DC

☐ MD

☐ VA

ZIP code:

Work-related website
(if applicable)

Work-related social media
(if applicable)

Area of Impact

Please describe the area of impact/project name and a brief description of the project (100 words)

Nominator Information

Name

Phone number

E-mail address

Relationship to the nominee

Place of work

- ☐ I hereby acknowledge the person I have nominated to deserve The Phyllis G. Margolius Impossible Dream Award 2026.
- ☐ I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the provided information is true and accurate.
- ☐ The foundation can use the information provided for promotional purposes.

Place, date:

Nominator's signature

CHECKLIST



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Nominations will be open for a period of November 15 - December 24, 2025. Only those individuals with completed nomination kits (all parts of the checklist below) by December 24 will be considered for the award.

Our prestigious selection panel will select the winner to be announced and the award event will take place May 7, 2026 in Rockville, Maryland.

Please send the following documents to pgmff@phyllismargolius.org by December 24, 2025. Be sure to label all documents and submissions as well as the subject line of the emails with the Nominee's name.

- ☐ Filled and signed Nomination Form in PDF
- ☐ **A Dreamer Statement** explaining why this person should be considered for this award (not more than 500 words or a four-minute video)
- ☐ Nominee's CV (sent by Nominee - please see **Notice to Nominee** below)

Notice to Nominee

Please send the following form letter to your nominee.
Replace the text in bold accordingly.

Dear **[nominee name]**,

Mazel tov! I have nominated you for the Phyllis G. Margolius Impossible Dream Award - an award celebrating an outstanding professional in Jewish communal work who challenges perceptions and perseveres against odds. I believe you are that exceptional professional!

To complete the nomination process you will need to send in your CV, and if chosen as a finalist, create a 5 minute video on your work.

All submissions including your own must be emailed to pgff@phyllismargolius.org by December 24. Please be sure to label your documents and your email subject line with your name.

I'm very excited to place you in the pool of nominees for this \$18,000 award. A selection committee will decide on the winner in March, with an award event taking place on May 7, 2026 at the BenderJCC in Rockville.

To learn more about this award, visit www.impossibledreamaward.com, or @pgmffoundation on Instagram and Phyllis Margolius Family Foundation on facebook.

B'hatzlacha,
[Your name]