



**PUBLIC STATEMENT FROM THE RABBINICAL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER KANSAS CITY In Response to Pittsburgh Tragedy
October 2018**

We, the rabbis who comprise the Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City are heartsick at the tragic loss of life in a Pittsburgh synagogue; a horrific, hateful event that occurred as our fellow Jews were coming together to celebrate Shabbat, and celebrate a baby naming. We mourn this tragedy, and in this moment offer our support for all who grieve.

Whatever action will come in response in the days and weeks to come, today we pray and grieve our loss. As we say in our tradition: May G-d, (and our community) provide comfort to all who mourn, as the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem have been comforted in the past.

-The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City

Kansas City's Jewish community stands in solidarity with Pittsburgh: through your survival, your grief and ultimately, your recovery. **We will unite as a community to grieve and honor the lives of those taken from us.** Please join us at a **Community Vigil** on Monday evening, October 29, 7-8 pm, at Kehilath Israel Synagogue, [10501 Conser St, Overland Park, KS 66212](http://www.kehilathisrael.org).

