Dr. Stephen (Steve) Fichman was born in Montreal, Canada where he was educated and graduated from McGill University with a BSc (Honors) and an MD, CM (Governor General Gold Medal in Public Health).

He subsequently completed his postdoctoral residency in Ophthalmology at Harvard University and Baylor University. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, Diplomat of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and a member of Medical Specialists of the Province of Quebec.

Dr. Fichman has been practicing medicine since 1968 and is an Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Ophthalmology of McGill University.

Steve has been Chair of the Medical Division of the Combined Jewish Appeal and a member of the Board of Directors of the Montreal YM-YWHA, and Congregation Dorshei Emet.

Dr. Fichman’s support of the Hebrew University and the Faculty of Medicine spans three decades with the establishment of three scholarships. His most recent, major donation will be used to create additional scholarships, fund an annual lecture and name three locations at the Institute for Medical Research Israel-Canada (IMRIC).
Born and raised in Ottawa, Dorothy Nadolny has been involved in fundraising and philanthropy for over 50 years. She is committed to ensuring a vibrant Israel as well as giving back to her community. Beginning with her involvement as a Chapter member with Ottawa Hadassah, Dorothy rose to become Chapter President and took on roles including Chair of the Ottawa Hadassah Bazaar, Medical Services Division Chair and Counsel Chair.

With the outbreak of the Six Day War in 1967, Dorothy began what would become a lifelong commitment to the United Jewish Appeal and to Israel. She became the Associate Chair of the first UJA Women’s Division, led numerous missions to Israel, and currently continues to canvass on behalf of the community. It was during her many trips to Israel that she and her late husband Herbert began their involvement with the Hebrew University of Jerusalem as staunch supporters, giving generously of their time and resources. Ultimately Dorothy served as President of the Ottawa Chapter of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

Firm believers in supporting the community and ensuring access to medical care for all, Dorothy and Herbert have contributed significantly to Ottawa Hospital, Children’s Hospital of Eastern Ontario and the Ottawa Heart Institute. Dorothy’s decision to support the Herbert and Dorothy Nadolny Cardio-Metabolic Diseases Research Hub at the Institute for Medical Research Israel-Canada at the Faculty of Medicine provides another noteworthy opportunity for Dorothy to actualize her commitment to the health and welfare of present and future generations.
The Brettler Mintz Foundation was formed in the early 2000s and is an amalgamation of three former foundations: the Mintz Family Foundation, the Adolph and Clara Brettler Foundation and the Rae Bobbe Foundation. The mandate of the Brettler Mintz Foundation is to support charities in four main sectors: support of Israel, Jewish causes, health care and education.

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Mr. Mintz is a past National Treasurer and Toronto Chapter President of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University and past Associate Member of the Board of Governors. His generous support has advanced many University causes.

An active member of the Jewish community, Mr. Mintz serves on the Board of Directors of the Jewish National Fund of Canada. He is also a member of the Board of Governors for the Baycrest Centre Foundation, past Chair of the Finance Committee and Board of Directors for the Branson Hospital, and Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario.

Harley Mintz and his wife Judy Nyman have two children, Jay and Rebecca.