



## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

### **Jordana Corenblum**

Meet Jordana Corenblum, former OrSh board member. Born in Calgary and growing up in a modern orthodox home, her roots in traditional Judaism run pretty deep. She moved to Vancouver to complete an undergraduate degree in Psychology at UBC. She then began working in the Vancouver Jewish community as the youth director at Beth Israel where her job was to foster the Jewish identities of youth in grades 4-12, and through this she realized a need to further discover her own Jewish identity. She feels blessed to have found Or Shalom, a community that mirrors her own values of traditionalism, liberalism, social justice, and open-mindedness. Or Shalom is such a unique gem in the Jewish world, and Jordana is forever indebted to her co-founding YAC (Young Adult Community) members for really solidifying her OrSh connection.

A career youth worker, Jordana has worked in programming, prevention, and intervention. She is currently a part of the counselling department at King David High School. She also started a small private counselling practice after completing her Masters in Counselling Psychology at Adler University in 2016.

Jordana has served on several boards and does much other volunteer work (including a few years of coordinating Car Free Day on Commercial Drive). Most recently, she joined the Board of Directors of Trout Lake Community Centre. Unfortunately, much of her community work has been derailed by her Mama duties with her glorious three-year-old, Raeya, who takes up most of her energy and brain power these days. Jordana and her partner, Alex, are so very thankful to be parents to such a kind, funny, and bright little human and are looking forward to getting more involved in the Or Shalom family programs.

Ask Jordana about how her many hours of watching the Food Network (while on mat leave) landed her the unofficial role as official taster in the King David High School Foods Classroom (it's the best gig in town)!