

Barry Finestone

President and CEO

Barry Finestone is President and CEO of the Jim Joseph Foundation. With more than \$800 million granted in its first 18 years of operation, Barry oversees all aspects of finance and grantmaking at the Foundation.

Prior to the Jim Joseph Foundation, Barry was Executive Director of the Lisa and John Pritzker Family Fund. He moved to the Bay Area in 2010 to become CEO of the JCC of San Francisco, where he oversaw dramatic growth and built it into the second largest JCC in the country. Earlier in his career he served as Executive Director of the two-campus

Isaac M. Wise Temple and earned the Harris K. and Alice F. Weston Award for Outstanding Leadership.

Barry's first job out of college was as a residential camp director in Waupaca, Wisconsin for Young Judaea. Barry says, "he never would have hired himself," but the experience was invaluable in helping him learn how to run and operate an entity. His philosophy in work is to have a vision, start going there, and then hire the very best people you can and get out of the road!

Barry is a proud Glasgow, Scotland native with 34 years of experience in the Jewish nonprofit world. Along with his passion for the work of the Foundation, he loves football—the real kind played with your feet—and above all else, family.

He and his wife, Ellen, reside in Marin County and have three children—Gabrielle, Ethan and Mia.