

Dr. Marcia Goldstone was born and raised in the Bronx, New York. She received her BS in Psychology from Rutgers University and her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Purdue University. After receiving her Ph.D., she was an Associate Professor of Psychology at Ball State University. In 1977 she was named Executive Director of the Indianapolis Jewish Community Relations Council. During her 35 years at JCRC, Marcia was the face and voice of the Indianapolis Jewish Community. She worked to combat antisemitism, educate the public about issues like the Holocaust and Soviet Jewry, and advocate for public policy and legislation that promoted and protected Jewish interests. Building support for a strong US-Israel relationship was also important in her job. Michael S. and Janie Maurer collaborated with Marcia on a project that lasted 20 years, a study mission to Israel for non-Jewish leaders. The mission educated leaders in the non-Jewish Community on Israel's important place in the world. Marcia is an organizer and an outstanding communicator. She reached out to interfaith leadership, civic agencies, and political and governmental officials. In addition, she was a local Jewish Clergy and Professional group member, collaborating with and assisting her colleagues in Indianapolis and throughout the state.

In 1993, Marcia received the Frank H. Newman Award. Marcia, and her late husband, Dr. Gerry Goldstone, were a dynamic duo! They have two sons, Peter and Shelly. In her well-deserved retirement, Marcia enjoys spending as much time as possible with her sons and their families, including her daughter-in-law Ryan and grandchildren Sam, Rachel, Gabby, Maya, and Alex. Rabbis Dennis and Sandy Sasso wrote, "The Jewish community of Indianapolis and the Jewish Community Relations field Nationally bear the indelible imprint of Marcia Goldstone's professionalism, expertise, and passion. She is a treasure and a legend of Jewish life."