

Young Jewish Giving  
(YJG) empowers teens  
and college-aged  
students to make the  
world a better place  
by donating money to  
worthy causes engaged in  
meaningful work.



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Young Jewish  
Giving b'nai tzedek



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**Who:** Jewish students ages 12-22

**What:** Young Jewish Giving provides hands-on experience and education about philanthropy and non-profit organizations. YJG offers fun, social, energetic and insightful programming built around tzedakah, its importance in Judaism and the responsibility to engage in acts of Tikkun Olam, repairing the world. Teens learn first hand about giving tzedakah by opening their own fund, practicing social action, and being part of a community that models leadership.

**Why:** Young Jewish Giving empowers Jewish teens to make an impact in the world by giving tzedakah and supporting causes that are meaningful to them. Our goal is to inspire young people to make a difference in the community by providing both the knowledge and resources to be able to do so.



**1.** Start your fund with \$125 and the Jewish Federation of Omaha and its partners will add another \$375 to create a \$500 Young Jewish Giving fund in your name.



**2.** Learn about the needs of our community both locally and in Israel through educational events during the school year.

**3.** Once a year, allocate 10% of your fund or \$50 (whichever is greater) to one Jewish charity or to two charities, with at least one of the charities being a Jewish organization. Allocations can be made at the J-serve Program where you will have the change to give back to the community both philanthropically and through community service.

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## VOLUNTEER COUNCIL

The Young Jewish Giving Volunteer Council is open to all Jewish teens in grades 7th-12th. At least once a month volunteer opportunities will be emailed for first come, first served sign up. Service learning hours for high school will be given.

## TEEN FOUNDATION

The Young Jewish Giving Teen Foundation is an innovative leadership development program for Jewish high school students who want to learn how grant making works by participating in a year-long foundation experience.



## FAQs

### Who can open a fund?

Any Jewish child between the ages of 12-22 may open a fund. Programming will be provided through high school. College aged students will have one social event per year.

### How will my fund grow?

Anyone can donate to your fund at any time, in any amount – on your birthday, for Hanukkah, graduation, etc. Your fund will receive investment income annually. As your fund grows, the amount of money you can grant will also grow.

### What agencies can I support?

You may grant from your fund to any charitable organization with 501(c)(3) status. Once you decide which one or two charities to support, we will send your donation(s) in your name from your fund.

### How long do I keep my fund?

You can keep your fund until you are 30 years of age. When you reach age 30, you can donate the balance and terminate the fund to one or two U.S. charities of your choice, with at least one being a Jewish organization OR you can convert your existing YJG fund to a full donor-advised fund with a minimum balance of \$2,500 through the Jewish Federation of Omaha Foundation. You can continue giving tzedakah from this donor-advised fund throughout your lifetime.