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**Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven** - The Israel Scholarship program is open to high school students who live in the Greater New Haven area.
**CONTACT:** Beth Kupcho
**WEBSITE:** [https://scholarships.jewishnewhaven.org/israel](https://scholarships.jewishnewhaven.org/israel)
In order to apply for a scholarship the student is required to submit a 250 word essay reflecting on the Jewish community and their contribution to it. With the essay, the student needs at least 2 recommendation letters.

**United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford** - The Rabbi Alex J. Goldman Memorial Essay Contest is available for sophomores, juniors and seniors who reside in Stamford, New Canaan or Darien. First prize wins $1,000.
**CONTACT:** Diane Sloyer at Dianesloyer@ujf.org or 203-321-1373
**WEBSITE:** [https://www.ujf.org/awards](https://www.ujf.org/awards)
Students in grades 10-12 can enter an essay contest for the chance to win either 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in the contest. The amount of money awarded depends on which place the student ranks. The essay is between 500-750 words and must use a provided quote and relate it to their own personal experiences in the Jewish world.

**The Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Hartford** - The Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Hartford encourages Jewish high school students to explore and develop their Jewish identity through an immersive Israel travel experience. To assist students and their families, the Foundation is offering a limited number of scholarships worth up to $6,000 per student for programs in Israel lasting from 4 weeks to one semester.
**WEBSITE:** [https://www.jcfhartford.org/Grant/IsraelTripScholarships/tabid/270/Default.aspx](https://www.jcfhartford.org/Grant/IsraelTripScholarships/tabid/270/Default.aspx)

DELAWARE

**Jewish Federation of Delaware** - The GRATZ High School Scholarship Fund of the Jewish Fund for the Future is awarded to high school students who are attending a summer Israel program.
**CONTACT:** (302) 427-2100
**WEBSITE:** [http://www.shalomdelaware.org/file_download/inline/efb70a56-7a3e-4ea2-997c-06a2b90373cf](http://www.shalomdelaware.org/file_download/inline/efb70a56-7a3e-4ea2-997c-06a2b90373cf)
The GRATZ High School Scholarship Fund of the Jewish Fund for the Future, the endowment arm of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, was established by Gratz Hebrew High School in 2011. Merit scholarships are awarded to high school students ages 12-19 attending a program in Israel, a Jewish Camp, or some other form of educational Jewish program. The amount available is determined annually by the proceeds of the fund. Attached on the website is the application that needs to be filled out.

MARYLAND

**The Associated: Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore** - The Community Fund for Israel Experience provides limited, need-based scholarships to high school students who are residents of Baltimore City/County. Applications are due by April 1, 2019.
**CONTACT:** Reena Roshgadol at [cfie@cjebaltimore.org](mailto:cfie@cjebaltimore.org) or 410-735-5024.
The Community Fund for Israel Experiences (CFIE) provides limited, need-based scholarships to high-school and first year post-high school students who are residents of Baltimore City/County OR a student participating in a class trip of a Jewish school located in Baltimore City/County. We strongly encourage all students, who may qualify, to fill out an application even they are unsure if they will be participating in an Israel program.

**The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington** - Israel Quest offers up to $1,850 to high school students who reside in the Great Washington area.
**CONTACT:** 301-230-7200  
**WEBSITE:** [https://www.shalomdc.org/israelquest/](https://www.shalomdc.org/israelquest/)

The Israel Quest (IQ) grant program is funded and administered by the United Jewish Endowment Fund and The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington. In order to be eligible to apply the student must be Jewish, reside in the Greater Washington area, and want to travel to Israel during 9th -12th grades or summers immediately thereafter (post-high school year course programs are ineligible.). As IQ funds are limited, we ask that the parents/guardians of a teen choosing to apply indicate that an IQ grant is financially required and would have a significant impact on their ability and decision to send their teen on the selected trip. The student must also be officially registered for an Israel trip which is a teen, peer, substantive educational program that has been approved or qualifies for approval under current IQ guidelines. (Family, day school and congregational family trips are ineligible.)

**MASSACHUSETTS**

**Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Greater Boston** - In partnership with the Jim Joseph Foundation, CJP offers scholarship for summer Israel travel programs that last a minimum of 12 days.  
**CONTACT:** Stacey G. 617-457-8694  
**WEBSITE:** [https://www.cjp.org/community-jobs-grants/apply-for-grants/israel-teen-travel](https://www.cjp.org/community-jobs-grants/apply-for-grants/israel-teen-travel)  

In an effort to increase the number of teens traveling to Israel during high school, CJP is increasing funding for our Israel Summer Teen Travel Scholarship program, in partnership with the Jim Joseph Foundation. These scholarships make Israel summer experiences more affordable by subsidizing up to one-third of the program cost. Programs lasting a minimum of 12 days in Israel may be eligible, and scholarship applications are considered in two rounds. Attached in the link below is a list of the possible summer programs through CJP:  

**Jewish Federation of the Berkshires** - The future of the Jewish community belongs to our children and it is built on what we do today, so the Federation creates opportunities for young people of all ages to build relationships with Jewish peers. The Federation offers Study/Travel scholarships.  
**WEBSITE:** [https://jewishberkshires.org/our-work/nurturing-a-jewish-future](https://jewishberkshires.org/our-work/nurturing-a-jewish-future)

**Jewish Federation of Greater New Bedford** - Grants for travel to Israel made possible by the Harvey Friedland Israel Youth Experience Memorial Fund and the Evelyn Rosen Youth Israel Travel Fund are available to Jewish teens residing in the Greater New Bedford area.  
**CONTACT:** (508) 997-7471  
**WEBSITE:** [http://www.jewishnewbedford.org/israel.html](http://www.jewishnewbedford.org/israel.html)  

Grants are available for teens residing in the Greater Bedford area for travel/study in Israel. Requests must be written. For more information please contact Olga Yorish at  
[oyorish@jewishnewbedford.org](mailto:oyorish@jewishnewbedford.org)

**NEW JERSEY**

**Jewish Federation of Greater MetroWest New Jersey** - Grants up to $1,000 are available for all high school students in the Greater MetroWest community.  
**CONTACT:** (973) 929-3000  
**WEBSITE:** [https://www.jfedgmw.org/global-connections/travel-opportunities](https://www.jfedgmw.org/global-connections/travel-opportunities)  

All Jewish high school students (ages 14-18) in the Greater MetroWest community are eligible to receive a grant of up to $1,000 from Jewish Federation of Greater MetroWest NJ for travel to Israel on an educational peer group trip. Qualified programs include those organized by a synagogue, school, youth group, or organization for a minimum of ten days. Guidelines apply.

**Jewish Federation in the Heart of New Jersey** - Grants up to $1,000 are available for high school students who reside in
Middlesex and Monmouth County.
CONTACT: 732.588.1800 info@jewishheartnj.org

The Jewish Federation in the Heart of New Jersey provides assistance to enable as many Jewish youth as possible to have meaningful Jewish experiences. Need-based camp scholarships are available for youth who demonstrate financial need. Federation will award “last dollar” scholarships, taking into account both the family’s income and other scholarship awards received. Scholarship recipients are between the ages of 5-18 years old, reside in Middlesex or Monmouth County and identify as Jewish. Attached below is a link to the application form: [https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-110/2/2019%2520Need-Based%2520Camp%2520Scholarship%2520Application.pdf](https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-110/2/2019%2520Need-Based%2520Camp%2520Scholarship%2520Application.pdf)

Jewish Federation of Somerset, Hunterdon & Warren Counties - Scholarship is available for high school students visiting Israel for the first time with a recognized youth program.
CONTACT: 908-758-2006 info@jfedshaw.org

Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey - Scholarship is available teens in grades 9-12 to attend an organized teen Israel experience for three weeks or more.

NEW YORK

Jewish Federation of Central New York - The Israel Experience Grant offers scholarship for high school students who have not participated on an organized trip to Israel.
CONTACT: Judith Stander 315-445-0161x114 jstander@jewishfederationcny.org

Students must be current high school students and have completed at least the 10th grade of a Jewish education program or expect to complete it by this spring. This can be done through the Federation-supported Epstein High School of Jewish Studies or the equivalent. To receive an application email Judith Stander at jstander@jewishfederationcny.org

The Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County - The Israel Experience Scholarship Fun offers partial scholarship for Jewish teens residing in Orange County.
WEBSITE: [https://jewishorangeny.org/israel-experience-scholarships](https://jewishorangeny.org/israel-experience-scholarships)
CONTACT: 845 562 7860 info@jewishorangeny.org

There are two scholarships offered, The Israel Experience Scholarship and The Jack and Jessica Blinkoff Scholarship. For the Israel Scholarship each recipient will be asked to write a one-page essay about their Israel experience to be published either in the Federation newspaper or online in exchange for scholarship funding. Each recipient will also be asked to give back fifteen hours as a volunteer at their respective congregation, Jewish Family Service, the Newburgh JCC or within an approved organization or with the Federation. This project must include some sort of mitzvah (good deed) component that would not otherwise happen unless the applicant made it happen. For the Blinkoff Scholarship one must need 3 recommendation letters and the funding will be rewarded based on financial need and merit.

Jewish Federation of Northeastern New York - Scholarship is available for teens wanting to participate on summer program to Israel.
WEBSITE: [https://www.jewishfedny.org/services/scholarships/](https://www.jewishfedny.org/services/scholarships/)
CONTACT: Rebecca Miller (518) 783-7800 ext. 225 rmiller@jewishfedny.org

Jewish Federation of NY provides a list of different scholarships for students depending on their financial needs.

Jewish Federation of Ulster County - Scholarship for summer programs in Israel is available for teens age 16-18.
WEBSITE: [https://www.jewishfedny.org/services/scholarships/](https://www.jewishfedny.org/services/scholarships/)
CONTACT: Rebecca Miller (518) 783-7800 ext. 225 rmiller@jewishfedny.org

Jewish Federation of NY provides a list of different scholarships for students depending on their financial needs.

UJA-Federation of New York - Israel Experience Center at UJA provides scholarship to teens in New York, Westchester and Long Island participating in a summer Israel program.
WEBSITE: [https://www.jewishfedny.org/services/scholarships/](https://www.jewishfedny.org/services/scholarships/)
CONTACT: Rebecca Miller (518) 783-7800 ext. 225 rmiller@jewishfedny.org
Jewish Federation of NY provides a list of different scholarships for students depending on their financial needs.

PENNSYLVANIA

Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia - Israel Program Scholarship Aid Fund offers scholarship for teens from the five-county Greater Philadelphia area who wish to travel to Israel.

CONTACT: Jewish Life and Learning at scholarships@jewishphilly.org
In order to apply for an Israel Scholarship Program, one must need to be in eighth grade or older, with a permanent address in the five-county Greater Philadelphia area. In addition, students who attend Jewish Day School in Greater Philadelphia but live outside of the five-county area may apply for aid for their day school sponsored Israel trip. An individual may receive up to two Israel program scholarships for two different Israel experiences in non-consecutive years. Depending on your age and financial needs the scholarships will differ.

Greater Altoona Jewish Federation - Jewish Y.E.S. provides needs based scholarships up to $2,500 for teens wishing to participate in an Israel program.

WEBSITE: http://www.greataltoonajewishfederation.org/index.html
CONTACT: (814) 515-1182 altoonafed@gmail.com
The Federation is willing and able to assist financially. The application for Federation grants (available to any child upon request) and needs based scholarships (up to $2500) is attached below.

Jewish Community Alliance of Lancaster - JCAL helps students attend a summer trip to Israel.

WEBSITE: https://www.jcalancaster.org/jcal.html
CONTACT: (717) 569-7352 jcal@jcalancaster.org
Contact JCAL for information on scholarship that they are able to provide or direct you to.

Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh - Offers both need-based and non-need based scholarships up to $1,750 to send teens to Israel.

WEBSITE: https://jewishpgh.org/scholarships/
CONTACT: 412-681-8000 info@jfedpgh.org
Complete the online application located at http://grantmakingportal.fluidreview.com; you must create an account with a log-in and password and complete the eligibility quiz in order to access the application.

Jewish Federation of Reading - High school students who participate in NFTY in Israel can apply for an award up to $250 toward the cost of registration.

WEBSITE: https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-90/262/student%2520application.pdf
CONTACT: 610-921-0624 WilliamF@jfreading.org
Thanks to the work of the Educational Committee, the Federation is proud to offer Jewish children/students, who are residents of our Berks County Jewish community, monetary awards to help support their participation in programs that nurture Jewish identity, leadership and connections with their culture, history and Israel. On our website is a list of scholarships available. If you have questions pertaining to your child/children’s eligibility for any of the offerings below, please do not hesitate to contact William D. Franklin at the Federation office – 610- 921-0624.

Jewish Federation of Lehigh Valley - Scholarship is awarded for teens in 9-12 grade who reside in the Lehigh Valley area who wish to travel on an Israel program.

WEBSITE: https://jewishlehighvalley.org/scholarships
CONTACT: 610-821-5500 mailbox@jflv.org
The Jewish Federation of the Lehigh Valley is pleased to announce the Annual Maggie Levine Essay Contest. The essay contest, established to recognize an outstanding essay submitted by a teenager interested in enrolling in the Alexander Muss High School in Israel (AMHSI), is open to all Jewish 10th, 11th, and 12th graders. The winner(s) will receive a generous prize toward the cost of the AMHSI program. The theme of the essay should address “How Israel is part of my Jewish identity and/or how the High School in Israel experience will help shape my relationship with Israel.” Teens must be in grades 9 through 12 and reside in the Lehigh Valley area. The program may be located outside of the Lehigh Valley. Membership at an area synagogue, Jewish youth group and/or the JCC is preferred, but not required. The education experience must be organized by a recognized Jewish organization. The Jewish Federation of the Lehigh Valley has another funding program called The VISIT program. This program is a saving partnership that helps diffuse the costs of
your child’s trip to Israel. You can register with the link below: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdssm8KeRHTscXO-YEEv5QZNv1LxwcsheWEmnndjH2VIQZzaA/viewform

RHODE ISLAND

Jewish Alliance of Greater Rhode Island - The Jewish Alliance offers grants and needs-based scholarships for trips to Israel.

WEBSITE: https://www.jewishallianceri.org/jewish-life/teens/

CONTACT: 401.421.4111

The Jewish Alliance offers grants and needs-based scholarships for educational trips to Israel and study experiences there. Funds are distributed in the Fall and Spring for programs that may take place any time of the year. For more information, email Larry Katz at lkatz@jewishallianceri.org or call 401.421.4111, ext. 179.

VIRGINIA

The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington - Israel Quest program provides up to $1,850 for participants from the Greater Washington area.

WEBSITE: https://www.shalomdc.org/israelquest/

CONTACT: (301) 230-7200 info@shalomdc.org

Recipients must be Jewish, reside in the Greater Washington area, and want to travel to Israel during 9th -12th grades or summers immediately thereafter (post-high school year course programs are ineligible.). As IQ funds are limited, we ask that the parents/guardians of a teen choosing to apply indicate that an IQ grant is financially required and would have a significant impact on their ability and decision to send their teen on the selected trip. The recipient must also be officially registered for an Israel trip which is a teen, peer, substantive educational program that has been approved or qualifies for approval under current IQ guidelines. (Family, day school and congregational family trips are ineligible.) Submit applications to israelquest@shalomdc.org or call the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington at 301-230-7200.

WASHINGTON D.C

The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington - Israel Quest program provides up to $1,850 for participants from the Greater Washington area.

WEBSITE: https://www.shalomdc.org/israelquest/

CONTACT: (301) 230-7200 info@shalomdc.org

Recipients must be Jewish, reside in the Greater Washington area, and want to travel to Israel during 9th -12th grades or summers immediately thereafter (post-high school year course programs are ineligible.). As IQ funds are limited, we ask that the parents/guardians of a teen choosing to apply indicate that an IQ grant is financially required and would have a significant impact on their ability and decision to send their teen on the selected trip. The recipient must also be officially registered for an Israel trip which is a teen, peer, substantive educational program that has been approved or qualifies for approval under current IQ guidelines. (Family, day school and congregational family trips are ineligible.) Submit applications to israelquest@shalomdc.org or call the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington at 301-230-7200.
MIDWEST

ILLINOIS

Jewish United Fund of Metropolitan Chicago - The Jewish United Fund and the Naftali Steinfeld Memorial Scholarship fund offers need-based scholarships for Israel travel for teens coming from the Chicago Metropolitan area.
WEBSITE: https://www.juf.org/israel_experience/ccip.aspx
CONTACT: 312-346-6700
The Jewish United Fund/Jewish Federation and the Naftali Steinfeld Memorial Scholarship Fund offer scholarships based on financial need for high school students participating in approved Israel Experience programs. The applicant must be enrolled in grade 9, 10, 11 or 12 (this includes graduating seniors who are going on a post-high school program). Applicant must demonstrate financial need. Applicant must reside in metropolitan Chicago. Applicants living outside Illinois but attending school in the Chicago area are not eligible to apply.

INDIANA

Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis - Offers scholarship for Israel youth experiences to individuals up to 12th grade in the greater Indianapolis Jewish community. Application is due March 1, 2019.
WEBSITE: https://www.jewishindianapolis.org/endowment-planned-giving/israel-camp-scholarships
CONTACT: 317-726-5450 info@jfgi.org
The Jewish Federation is proud to provide subsidy scholarships and grants for educational initiatives enabling parents to send their children for the first time to summer camps as well as to participate in approved Israel Experience programs. Nothing makes Jewish identity and history come alive for young people like an Israel Experience Program or a Jewish summer camp. On our website is a list of a few different scholarships for a trip to Israel as well as funding for Jewish summer camps.

Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley - Offers scholarship for Teen Israel trips for teens currently enrolled in high school.
WEBSITE: https://www.thejewishfed.org/programs/scholarships
CONTACT: 574.233.1164 info@thejewishfed.org
The Jewish Federation prides itself on our commitment to continued education and Jewish experiences for everyone regardless of financial ability. With the support of our generous donors we offer Camp Ideal, teen Israel trips and Jewish residential summer camp scholarships for our youth, as well as the Craig and Carol Kapson Scholarship and the Lillian and Harvey Roland Scholarship for undergrads and the Neil and Leah Silver Advanced Degree Scholarship for our grad students. On our website are possible scholarships for your specific situation.

KANSAS

Mid-Kansas Jewish Federation - The Israel Experience scholarship provides non-need based scholarships up to $1,250 for teens in grades 10-12.
CONTACT: 316-686-4741 or email jfruhauf@mkjf.org
To make these summers a reality, the Mid-Kansas Jewish Federation provides non-need-based scholarships for first time campers (up to $1,250). Need-based assistance is also available to attend after the first year. For Jewish teens that have aged out of being a camper but still want a Jewish summer experience, the MKJF offers scholarships for Jewish “Teen Experiences”(examples include BBYO Summer Experiences, Adamah Adventures Teen Treks or Camp Tawonga Adventure Quests). The MKJF also offers an "Israel Experience" scholarship to encourage Jewish high school students to visit Israel. These non-need-based scholarships are available to teens in grades 10 - 12.

Jewish Federation of Greater Kansas City - The Rabbi Gershon Hadas Guardian Society for Children is a community fund to assist families in sending their teens on an Israel program.
KENTUCKY

Jewish Community of Louisville - The Ellen and Milton Cantor Israel Scholarship Fund provides an annual scholarship to a high school junior or senior from the greater Louisville area to subsidize the cost of an Israel trip.

WEBSITE: https://jewishlouisville.org/federation/foundation/jewish-foundation-louisville-scholarships/

CONTACT: 502-459-0660

For children and young adults, overnight Jewish summer camp experiences, Israel trips and other intensive Jewish experiences are among the strongest positive influences on Jewish identity. While these experiences are critically important, they are also expensive and often put a strain on family resources, which might prevent children from attending. To enable as many children as possible to take advantage of these opportunities, the Jewish Foundation of Louisville has a program and several scholarships available that can help with these programs. Written applications must be submitted to the Jewish Foundation of Louisville. Each candidate must also include the recommendation of a Jewish communal professional (rabbI, youth group leader, religious school principal, etc.). Applicants demonstrating financial need will be given preference, but other criteria will be considered as well. Attached on our website is a list of possible scholarships for you.

Jewish Federation of the Bluegrass - Offers up to $1,000 for Jewish youth of central Kentucky who wish to participate in a high school Israel program.

WEBSITE: https://jewishlexington.org/get-involved/jewish-family-services

CONTACT: (859) 268-0672 jfb@jewishlexington.org

Want to give your kids a great Jewish experience this year but worried about the cost? Each year during late Winter and Spring, JFS accepts applications for camperships and scholarships. Scholarships are specifically for Israel programs. Camperships are open to ANY Jewish day or overnight camp in our region, including our local Camp Shalom. Attached below is the application:

https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-67/2/Campership%2520App%25202019.pdf

MICHIGAN

Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor - High school students from the Greater Ann Arbor area provides up to $1,000 for travel to Israel on a summer program.

CONTACT: 734-677-0100 info@jewishannarbor.org

The Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor believes in the value of Israel experiences for teenagers. To help make participation in these trips possible, we administer two programs that provide financial assistance to high school students from Greater Ann Arbor. The links to the applications for Federation’s Israel Scholarships and for The Susan L. Lichter Memorial Endowed Israel Scholarship Fund are attached below.

https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-40/2/Subsidy%2520Application%25202019%25282%2529.pdf

https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-40/2/2019%2520Lichter%2520Scholarship%2520form.pdf

MINNESOTA

Minneapolis Jewish Federation - The Louis Herman Israel Experience Fund and the Israel Center Scholarship Fund both offer scholarship for teens ages 15-18 traveling on an Israel summer program.

WEBSITE: https://jewishminneapolis.org/livejewish-in-minneapolis/scholarships/

CONTACT: 952-593-2600 webmaster@mplsfed.org

The Minneapolis Jewish Federation offers a number of needs-based scholarships to assist with the cost of Israel travel. The Minneapolis Jewish Federation offers a number of scholarships to help community members experience Israel. Listed on our website are different scholarships for specific age groups as well as specific programs.
Jewish Federation of Greater St. Paul - St. Paul Israel Experience Scholarship offers scholarships for teens living in St. Paul who are participating on an approved Israel experience program.
WEBSITE: https://jewishstpaul.org/community/scholarships
CONTACT: 651-690-1707 webmaster@stpaulfed.org
Israel experience scholarships are available to those ages 13-22. Funding is limited, and scholarship amounts are subject to change. The link to the Israel Scholarship Application is attached below:
https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-103/2/Israel_Scholarship_Application_2019.pdf

MISSOURI
Jewish Federation of St. Louis - Offers up to $750 for teens between 9th-12th grade who reside in St. Louis.
CONTACT: (314) 432-0020 JFed@JFedSTL.org
The Israel Center offers several different types of scholarships and grants to ease the cost of a quality Israel experience. Four St. Louis high school students will be awarded $1,250 each from the Stuart I. Pessin Scholarship fund for travel to Israel in 2018. Candidates will be considered on the basis of a combination of academic and personal achievement. Travel grants are awarded for ages 14-26.

NEBRASKA
Jewish Federation of Lincoln - Provides funding for teens attending a program in Israel.
CONTACT: president@jewishlincoln.org
The Jewish Federation of Omaha administers a wide variety of scholarship and grant funds that provide financial assistance for preschool, Jewish residential camps, JCC day camp, Israel trips, youth group activities, Friedel Jewish Academy, adult education, undergraduate, graduate, vocational, technical, yeshiva and professional studies. Scholarships are awarded on a financial-need basis. Grant programs have separate requirements which are listed on the grant application form and are not financial-need based. Any questions on scholarship and grant opportunities should be directed to Diane Walker at dwalker@jewishomaha.org or (402) 334-6407.

Jewish Federation of Omaha - There is a wide variety of financial-need base scholarship and grant funds available for teens traveling to Israel.
WEBSITE: http://www.jewishomaha.org/education/scholarships-and-grants/view/scholarships/
CONTACT: (402) 334-6407 dwalker@jewishomaha.org
The Jewish Federation of Omaha administers a wide variety of scholarship and grant funds that provide financial assistance for preschool, Jewish residential camps, JCC day camp, Israel trips, youth group activities, Friedel Jewish Academy, adult education, undergraduate, graduate, vocational, technical, yeshiva and professional studies. Scholarships are awarded on a financial-need basis. Grant programs have separate requirements which are listed on the grant application form and are not financial-need based. Any questions on scholarship and grant opportunities should be directed to Diane Walker at dwalker@jewishomaha.org or (402) 334-6407.

OHIO
Jewish Federation of Cincinnati - Offers up to $6,500 for teens aged 16-18 who currently reside in Cincinnati.
WEBSITE: https://cincyjourneys.org/israel/high-school
CONTACT: 513-985-1500 cincyjourneys@jfedcin.org
Through Cincy Journeys, every Jewish Cincinnati high school student is eligible for a grant of up to $6,500 to travel to Israel. Applicants must be Jewish, ages 16-18 (or have completed 10th grade), and from Cincinnati. Grants aren’t based on financial need. Fill out the application online.
Jewish Federation of Columbus - Israel Experience grants are for recipients of at least 14 years of age who became bar/bat mitzvah in Columbus, Ohio. Teens participating on a 4+ week high school trips can receive up to $2,000.
WEBSITE: https://jewishcolumbus.org/israel-experience/israel-experience-2/
CONTACT: 614.237.7686 info@JewishColumbus.org
Through our Israel Experience grants program, Jewish Columbus has sent nearly 700 teens and young adults to Israel since 2005. Israel Experience grants are available for Columbus residents between the ages of 14-27 who became a bar/bat mitzvah in Columbus, Ohio. Israel Experience participants or parents of participant must be residents within the boundaries of Jewish Columbus’ community campaign. The link to more information and the application is attached below:

Jewish Federation of Greater Dayton - Dayton area Jewish teens are eligible to apply for the Wolfe Marcus Trust Youth Travel to Israel Scholarship.
CONTACT: 937-610-1555
Dayton area Jewish teens and young adults, ages 14-21, are invited to apply for the Wolfe Marcus Trust Youth Travel to Israel Scholarship. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and plan to travel to Israel during the summer of 2019. Application deadline is February 28. Awards will be announced on March 22. Opportunities for student loan grants are also available through Dayton federation. The Application for scholarships is attached on our website.

WISCONSIN

Jewish Federation of Madison - Stipends up to $1,500 are available for high school students from Dane County participating in an Israel program for three weeks or longer.
WEBSITE: https://www.jewishmadison.org/about-us/teen-israel-trip-stipend
CONTACT: (608) 278-1808 info@jewishmadison.org
Does your teenager want to travel to Israel on an organized trip? The Jewish Federation of Madison wants to help! The Federation now has stipends available for up to $1500 per student to help with teen trips to Israel. Students entering ninth grade through the end of twelfth grade are eligible for a one time grant. Students must reside in Dane County. The application must be submitted online:
https://www.jewishmadison.org/israel-teen-trip-stipend-application

SOUTH

ALABAMA

The Jewish Federation of Central Alabama - Offers up to $1,000 for high schools students to visit Israel for the first time.
WEBSITE: https://jewishmontgomery.org/camp-scholarships
CONTACT: 334-277-5820 Info@jewishmontgomery.org
The Jewish Federation of Central Alabama makes Israel Program grants available to local Jewish families and youth. It is the intent of the JFCA to encourage Jewish persons (high school youth, college students and young adults) to visit and engage with Israel. By doing so, we hope that the numbers of those who have the opportunity to go to Israel will increase. The application is attached below:
https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-112/2/2019%2520ISRAEL%2520SCHOLARSHIP%2520APPLICATION%2520YOUTH%2520.pdf
ARKANSAS

Jewish Federation of Arkansas - The Thalheimer Israel Scholarship fund offers scholarships for teens to travel to Israel.
WEBSITE: http://www.jewisharkansas.org/thalheimer-israel-scholarships/
CONTACT: (501) 663-3571 FEDERATION@JEWISHARKANSAS.ORG
Thanks to a generous endowment from the Thalheimer family, Jewish Federation is able to offer scholarships for young adults to study and travel in Israel. To apply, please submit a 1-2 page description of the Israel program with which you will travel/study, including how you will benefit, what your experience will enable you to bring back to the Arkansas Jewish community, and a budget (indicating the specific amount you are requesting from JFAR) to director@jewisharkansas.org.

FLORIDA

Jewish Federation of Broward County - High school students from Broward County seeking to go to Israel for 3-8 weeks. Application opens in early 2019.
CONTACT: 954-252-6900 info@jewishbroward.org
The Jewish Federation of Broward County is currently accepting applications from high school students seeking to participate in recognized Israel programs before high school graduation. To qualify, participants must be High School students, entering 10th to 12th grade in September and members of Broward County Jewish households (including interfaith families). Applicants must submit a short essay telling us why they want to participate and what they expect to gain from their participation. Following completing the application, applicants must agree to perform ten (10) hours of volunteer (community) service in the Jewish community prior to the trip - at the Jewish organization of choice.

Greater Miami Jewish Federation - Offers need-based scholarship for Miami-Dade County residents for teens over the age of 15.
WEBSITE: https://jewishmiami.org/about/departments/israel_overseas/looking_for_scholarships/index.html
CONTACT: 305.576.4000
The Greater Miami Jewish Federation offers need-based assistance for Miami-Dade County residents, ages 15-26. Funding is one time only, and awards are based on need and length of an approved Israel program, which must contain Jewish educational content. Applicants must complete and return an application, along with their family’s financial information (IRS form 1040), and a letter of acceptance or invoice from the program. The application is attached below:

Jewish Federation of Greater Naples - Offers partial scholarships for educational programs and experiences in Israel for families residing in Collier County.

Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County - Applicants must be living in Boynton Beach north through Vero Beach and have not received an Israel Experience Program scholarship in the past.
WEBSITE: https://jewishpb.org/fed/index.php/resources/#scholarships
CONTACT: 561.478.0700 info@jewishpalmbeach.org
Federation is proud to offer scholarships, grants and incentives for families who demonstrate financial need, as well as financial support for Jewish students who demonstrate academic excellence and community involvement. Applicants must be Jewish and living in the Federation Service Area: Boynton Beach north through Vero Beach. The application is attached below:
https://hebrewfreeloan.wufoo.com/forms/m6ez5i603i9q0n/

Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee - Provides up to $2,500 for Jewish high school students from Sarasota or Manatee County participating in an experiential or volunteer base program for at least 3 weeks.
WEBSITE: https://fedsrq.org/skip
CONTACT: 941.371.4546 info@fedsrq.org
The Send-a-Kid-to-Israel Program (SKIP) provides subsidies up to $2,500 for teens and young adults to travel to Israel. This program is an important part of The Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee’s commitment to continuity and identity
for our community. To participate in this program, you must identify as a Jewish person, and be between the ages of 13 and 30. Please click the Guidelines PDF image at right to download a complete listing of the program guidelines:

https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-13/2/SKIP%2520Program%2520Guidelines_1.pdf

LOUISIANA

Jewish Federation of Greater New Orleans - The Edie and Paul Rosenblum Gift of Israel Program scholarship provides funding for high school students participant in an Israel summer program.

WEBSITE: https://jewishnola.com/goi
CONTACT: 504-780-5600 jewishtnews@jewishnola.com
Together with the Jewish Federation of Greater New Orleans and area synagogues, your child's Israel experience is closer than you realize. One of the keenest goals of many Jewish parents is to help their child connect with Israel at a young age. There are many organized Israel teen trips each year originating from North America. Each brings its special brand of fun, excitement and learning to the teen Israel experience. Start building Jewish identity now to guarantee our Jewish future. Contact Michelle Neal (michelle@jewishnola.com) to learn more about the scholarship funds available for Israel programs for teens.

North Louisiana Jewish Federation - The Federation provides scholarship for trips to Israel for contributing members of the Federation.

WEBSITE: https://www.jewishnla.org
CONTACT: 318-868-1200 JewishNLa@gmail.com
The Federation subsidizes trips to Israel, with the following guidelines. Applicants must be contributing members of the Federation. The award amounts will be decided by the Executive Board of the Federation. To apply for the above scholarships or subsidies, please email or mail a letter of request to the Executive Director.

NORTH CAROLINA

Greensboro Jewish Federation - Greensboro Jewish Federation Greensboro Israel Experience Grant (residents of greater Greensboro) and The Jacke W. and Lottie K. Samet Israel Scholarship Fund (residents of Guilford county) are open to teens looking to participate in a program to Israel.

WEBSITE: https://www.shalomgreensboro.org/jewish-family-services/israel-grants-and-scholarships
CONTACT: 336-852-5433
Greensboro Jewish Federation Greensboro Israel Experience Grant. To be eligible for grants, applicants must be Jewish residents of greater Greensboro between 16 and 23 years old and participating in a program for 12 months or less. Please note applicant and program eligibility criteria in the guidelines:

https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-62/2/GJF2018-2019%2520Israel%2520Experience%2520Grant%2520Program%2520Whole.pdf

Another grant offered is The Jacke W. and Lottie K. Samet Israel Scholarship Fund which was established in 1995 by the children of Jacke and Lottie Samet in memory of their parents. The purpose of the fund is to enable Jewish youth living in Guilford county to participate in their first travel, study, and/or cultural peer-group programs in Israel sponsored by Jewish organizations. Financial need and merit are the primary considerations in awarding grants. Guidelines can be found on our website.
Jewish Federation of Durham-Chapel Hill - Offers up to $1,000 for high schools students who wish to participate in a summer program to Israel.

**CONTACT:** 919-354-4936

Attached on our website are different scholarships and programs for your child. The different scholarships allow you to find the perfect one that fits your child. The Ma'aser Fund is one option. To qualify for matching donations from the Ma'aser Fund, the young philanthropist must commit to donating one-tenth of the money received as Bar and Bat Mitzvah presents to one or more recognized charities of the student's choosing. The student must also commit to donating one-tenth of earned income and allowance to any charity or charities each year through the first post-high school year, up to a maximum of $1,000.

Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte - The Jewish Experience Fund and the Gorelick Teens to Israel Fund both offer scholarship for teens travel to Israel.

**WEBSITE:** [https://jewishcharlotte.org/home/israel/jewish-experiences](https://jewishcharlotte.org/home/israel/jewish-experiences)

**CONTACT:** 704.944.6757 info@jewishcharlotte.org

The Jewish Federation is proud to provide scholarships and special grants for all types of educational initiatives enabling parents to send their children to summer camps as well as to participate in Israel Experience programs. Nothing makes Jewish identity and history come alive for young people like an Israel Experience Program or a Jewish summer camp. On our website are three possible funds that will help your child to have an amazing experience in Israel.

**TENNESSEE**

Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga - The Israel Grants provides up to $2,500 for teens who wish to participate in a travel program to Israel.


**CONTACT:** (423) 493-0270 federation@jewishchattanooga.com

The purpose of the Israel Grants is to provide supplemental financial aid to be applied toward educational and Jewish identity-strengthening programs in Israel. This grant reflects the Federation’s desire to increase the number of those who will have the opportunity to go to Israel. This is a one-time grant. However, second year and future year grants will also be given if funds are available (first time applicants have priority; then second time, etc). Grant applications are due on December 15. Grants are in amounts of $1750 to $2,500 for year programs and $2,500 for summer programs per applicant (up to one-half of the program cost). Grants will be awarded primarily on merit based upon the applicant's motivations and achievements as measured by the response to the applicant’s questions and to personal interview(s) with the selection committee. The application is attached below:


Memphis Jewish Federation - The Lemsky Fund offers subsidies for high school students to participate in summer programs in Israel.

**WEBSITE:** [https://jcpmemphis.org/lemsky-endowment-fund](https://jcpmemphis.org/lemsky-endowment-fund)

**CONTACT:** 901-767-7100 mtimberlake@jcpmemphis.org

The Lemsky Endowment Fund of Memphis Jewish Federation, established through the generosity of the late Abe Lemsky z'l, further enables Federation to strengthen the bonds between Memphis and Israel through a variety of programs. The Lemsky Endowment Fund offers grants for teens and young adults to participate in educational programs in Israel. Rising high school juniors and seniors in the Memphis Jewish community are eligible for up to $3000 in funding to participate in a recognized summer or semester program in Israel, while high school graduates in the Memphis Jewish community are eligible for up to $4000 in funding to participate in a recognized gap year, summer, or semester program in Israel (through age 32). MJF is thrilled to announce the creation of a new Lemsky Endowment Fund initiative providing travel subsidies for first-time Memphis Jewish adults participating in an organized Israel trip, who have demonstrated financial need. Any Jewish Memphian over age 32 (post Birthright) who joins a Memphis-based Federation, Synagogue or JCC trip to Israel may request from Memphis Jewish Federation a flight subsidy of up to $1500 for a coach ticket to Israel.
Jewish Federation & Jewish Foundation of Nashville and Middle Tennessee - The Mary & Harry Zimmerman Youth Exchange Endowment Fund offers grants for 9-12 graders traveling to Israel.

WEBSITE: https://www.jewishnashville.org/israel-incentive-grants

CONTACT: 615-356-3242 info@jewishnashville.org

The next generation’s commitment to the Jewish people can be greatly affected by the experience of being in Israel as a teen. The Jewish Federation of Nashville realizes this benefit and encourages families to consider sending their young people to Israel by offering incentive grants. These grants are available to 9th-12th graders as well as college students through the Mary & Harry Zimmerman Youth Exchange Endowment Fund. Attached below are the program guidelines and application:

https://cdn.fedweb.org/fed-9/2/2016%2520Zimmerman%2520Incentive%2520Grant%2520Application.pdf

TEXAS

Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas - Offers need-based scholarship for Dallas teens to participate in a summer program in Israel.

WEBSITE: https://jewishdallas.org/israel-overseas/teen-scholarships

CONTACT: 214-369-3313 info@jewishdallas.org

Is your teen going to Israel this year? The Israel & Overseas Department of the Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas offers needs-based scholarships for teens to participate on the March of the Living or a summer program in Israel. In order to qualify for the scholarships, applicants must live in Dallas, demonstrate financial need, be a current high school student and have the same status at the time of the Israel program, and plan to participate in a recognized Israel experience program that is longer than 10 days and has educational content. Email or call for more information.

Jewish Federation of Greater Houston - Offers need-based scholarship for a summer trip to Israel for Houston residents in 10-12 grade.

CONTACT: 713-729-7000 info@houstonjewish.org

For more than 40 years, the Jewish Federation has made it possible for Houston families with financial needs to provide an intensive Jewish educational summer experience for their children by providing financial assistance for camp and Israel scholarships. All scholarships are need-based. In order to apply the applicant must be a Houston Jewish resident, in grade 10th, 11th, 12th grade OR taking a gap-year, and must be sponsored by a Jewish organization. Attached on our website are more guidelines as well as the application.

Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso - Offers financial aid for families who wish to send their teen on an Israel experience.

WEST COAST

ARIZONA

Jewish Federation of Greater Phoenix - The Harold & Jean Grossman Teen Israel Experience Scholarship Fund is available for teens 15-18 years old who live in Greater Phoenix and are attending a program in Israel that lasts at least 16 days.

WEBSITE: https://jewishphoenix.org/resources/#teen-israel

CONTACT: 480.634.4900 info@jewishphoenix.org

Have a teen going to Israel? Apply for a Harold & Jean Grossman Teen Israel Experience Scholarship Fund grant, made possible by a generous endowment from Harold (z”l) and Jean Grossman. Teens 15-18 who live in Greater Phoenix and
are attending a program in Israel that lasts at least 16 days and up to one year are eligible. For more information and the types of programs we fund, please contact teenisrael@jewishphoenix.org.

CALIFORNIA

**Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco, The Peninsula, Marin and Sonoma Counties** - Provides multiple scholarship options, including need-based and need-blind scholarship for high school students in Sonoma and Marin Counties, San Francisco and the Peninsula from Mountain View north.


**CONTACT:** 415.777.0411 info@sfjcf.org

Recognizing the impact of Israel travel/experiences, the Federation provides need-based scholarships for both short-term organized teen trips (first-time, grades 8-12) and 5-12 month Masa Israel-approved programs for young adults ages 18-26. There are two scholarship programs. One scholarship is for ages 8-12 and the other is for post-high school graduates ages 18-26. Applicants must live in the Federation’s service area.

**Jewish Federation of the East Bay** - Scholarship is available for high school students who reside in Alameda, Contra Costa, Napa, or Solano Counties.

**WEBSITE:** [https://www.jfed.org/financial-aid/#1495824867782-0639f8d5-8a2f](https://www.jfed.org/financial-aid/#1495824867782-0639f8d5-8a2f)

**CONTACT:** 510.809.4900 info@jfed.org

Federation and Foundation provide funding annually to strengthen Jewish life and learning opportunities for East Bay children and teens. We offer need-based financial assistance to teens, college students, and young adults for travel and study in Israel and for children and teens to attend overnight camp outside the Bay Area. Listed on our website are the application deadlines for our financial aid programs. For questions regarding financial assistance, please contact Rabbi Andrew Kastner at andrew@jfed.org or 510.809.4934.

**Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles** - The POST Partnership Grant offers up to $500 for participants traveling to Israel for the first time on a group trip.

**WEBSITE:** [https://www.jewishla.org/program/israel-experience-grants/](https://www.jewishla.org/program/israel-experience-grants/)

**CONTACT:** (323) 761-8000 DonorServices@JewishLA.org

Our Federation offers several ways for young people to get the financial aid they need to help make the dream of a trip to Israel a reality. Our goal is to make it possible for the youth of our community to explore and strengthen their own Jewish identity in our homeland. Accepted applicants will receive a $500 incentive award toward their Israel trips, paid directly to the trip providers on behalf of the travel participant. Guidelines for this award are listed on our website. The Federation also offers a need-based Israel youth travel scholarship for families seeking additional financial support. You may apply for both the incentive award and the need-based scholarship. Need-based scholarship applicants must meet the same eligibility requirements as for the POST Partnership Incentive Award (see above) and show a need for additional support. Guidelines for both grants as well as the application are listed on our website.

**Jewish Federation of San Diego County** - My Israel Journey Teen Subsidy Program offers up to $1,750 for teens from San Diego County.

**WEBSITE:** [https://jewishinsandiego.org/myisraeljourney](https://jewishinsandiego.org/myisraeljourney)

**CONTACT:** 858-571-3444 info@jewishfederationsandiego.org

The Jewish Federation of San Diego County is proud to bring to you the **My Israel Journey — Teen Subsidy Program**. This program grants eligible teens living in San Diego County a one-time award of up to $1,500 based on eligibility, toward participation in an approved program in Israel. These grants are not needs based and are open to all 8th -12th graders. Before going on the Israel trip, applicants must participate in community service in order to give back. The applicants must be currently in 8th-12th grade, a Jewish San Diego County resident, and a first-time recipient of funding from Federation for an Israel trip.

**Jewish Federation & Family Services of Orange County** - JFFS offers need and merit-based educational grants for high schools traveling on an Israel program.
Jewish Federation of Silicon Valley - Scholarship applications are accepted year-round for 9-12 graders affiliated with NFTY who wish to travel to Israel.
WEBSITE: https://www.jvalley.org/scholarships
CONTACT: 408-358-3033 info@jvalley.org
The goal of the Jewish Federation scholarship program is to provide assistance to families whose circumstances require it. Our scholarship procedure helps ensure fairness and confidentiality for all applicants. A scholarship is dollars given on your behalf towards program fees. This gift is not expected to be repaid. Scholarship dollars are limited and available awards are determined each fiscal year. Apply for a Teen Israel Trip Scholarship. Applications are accepted year-round. If you have any questions regarding the process, please do not hesitate to contact the Jewish Federation at (408) 358-3033 or jyl@jvalley.org. The application is filled out and submitted on our website.

The Jewish Federation of the Sacramento Region - The Jewish Federation provides up to $500 towards an approved organized trip to high school students.
WEBSITE: http://jewishsac.org/teenisrael/
CONTACT: 916.486.0906 federation@jewishsac.org
The Jewish Federation provides subsidies toward an approved organized trip to Israel to post-B'nai Mitzvah teens. To date, we have supported hundreds of teens who have traveled to the Jewish State. This $500 scholarship is intended to help cover fees for an approved Israel program. Approved programs are identity-building, peer group programs run by non-profit organizations that allow participants to learn in-depth about the land, culture, and people of Israel (BBYO, NFTY, USY, Young Judaea, etc.). Since not every program is approved, please contact us if you have a question about a specific program. To redeem this scholarship, please submit your certificate to your synagogue. The Federation will send the funds directly to the program of your choice.

NEVADA

Jewish Nevada - Israel Program Scholarships are for high school students participating in a peer-based Israel experience.
WEBSITE: https://www.jewishnevada.org/israelscholarships
CONTACT: (702) 732-0556 info@jewishnevada.org
Traveling to Israel is more than a vacation—it's often a deeply meaningful, personally transformational experience. The teens and young adults who have this experience through Jewish Nevada come back with a new or renewed sense of Jewish identity and a passion for Israel and its people. Many Jewish Nevadans who traveled to Israel as teens say it is the most fun and impactful form of Jewish education they have ever experienced. Israel Programs Scholarships enable students ages 13-22 to participate in a peer-based Israel experience. Limited scholarships from Jewish Nevada are available each year for students looking to participate in a high school summer, semester, or other approved program in Israel. For any questions email info@jewishnevada.org

OREGON

Jewish Federation of Greater Portland - Offers up to $1,800 for high school students traveling on an approved Israel program for at least 3 weeks. Application is due March 1, 2019.
WEBSITE: https://www.jewishportland.org/travelisrael
CONTACT: 503-245-6219 info@jewishportland.org
This continuing program of the Oregon Board of Rabbis provides scholarships to eligible teens engaged in synagogue-based Hebrew High programs. Funding is provided through the Arthur P. Krichevsky Memorial Scholarship Fund of the Oregon Jewish Community Foundation. All teen Israel recipients (living in the greater Portland area) are eligible for CHAI Israel funds, too, PLUS an extra $500 from Jewish Federation and the home synagogue combined in celebration of their commitment to formal Jewish education. The guidelines as well as the application are both on our website.
The Jewish Federation of Lane County - Offers scholarship to local Jewish teens for travel to Israel.
WEBSITE: http://jewishfedlc.org/scholarships/
CONTACT: 541.484.2541 jewishfederationlc@gmail.com
JFLC offers limited scholarship assistance to local Jewish youth (pre-K through 12th grade) to enable their attendance at Jewish-themed conferences, camps, and other events, as well as travel to Israel. The applicant’s demonstrated need is an important consideration in granting such assistance. Applicants must print out, complete, and submit the application form. If assistance is granted, a follow-up form (thank you letter) with a picture is requested. The application is attached below: http://jewishfedlc.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Scholarship-Application-JFLC.pdf

WASHINGTON

Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle - Offers up to $3,000 for high school students who are permanent residents of Washington State. Apply by January 22, 2019 for the first round of applications.
CONTACT: 206.443.5400 info@jewishinseattle.org
The Teen Israel Experience Scholarship program is made possible through a partnership between the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle, the Samis Foundation, and other donors. We believe that every Jewish teen should have the opportunity to have a transformative and meaningful Israel experience before going to college. Twenty-four teens were awarded scholarships for Israel experiences in 2019! Eligibility, financing information, and program options are all available on our website.