

The Jewish Community Youth
Foundation of Princeton Mercer Bucks
is a learning community where the values of
Tzedakah are taught to and practiced by Jewish teens.

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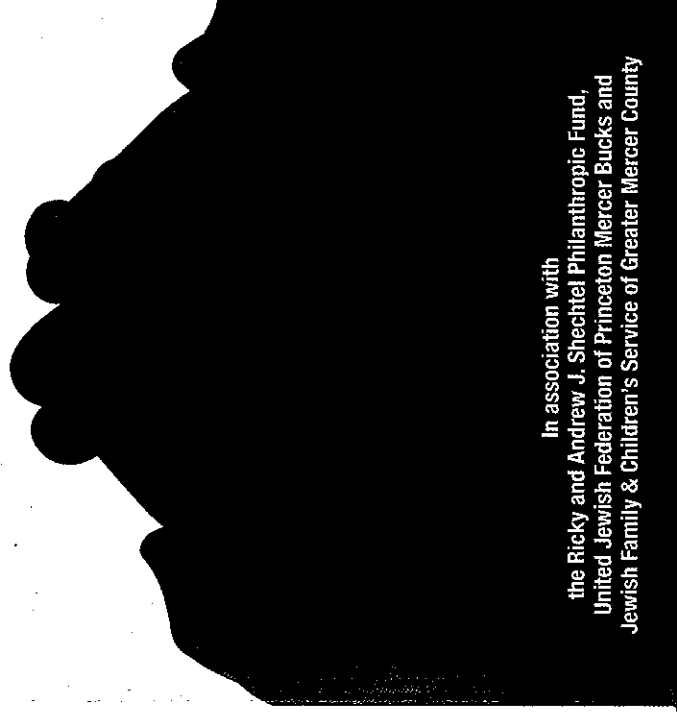
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TEACHING OUR



JEWISH TEENS THE ART OF GIVING



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In association with
the Ricky and Andrew J. Shechtel Philanthropic Fund,
United Jewish Federation of Princeton Mercer Bucks and
Jewish Family & Children's Service of Greater Mercer County

Understanding Tikkun Olam

Repairing the world through **social action** is a Jewish **responsibility**.

Understanding Tzedakah


Righteousness and justice are a Jewish **responsibility**.

As Jews, both here and in Israel, we have an ethical obligation to:

- Prevent hunger, homelessness and disease.
- Address political oppression and violations of human rights.
- Recognize the interdependence of individuals caring with, for and about one another.
- Support Jewish educational institutions and community organizations, so we can build on Jewish values, ethics and the rich heritage that we cherish.

Understanding Maimonides' Ladder

Eight "rungs" of giving, highest to lowest:

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- Help person in need to become self sufficient so he or she can help others
 - Anonymously to anonymous recipient
 - Anonymously to someone you know is in need
 - Anonymously to someone knowing the recipient
 - Directly of sufficient amount without being asked
 - Directly of sufficient amount after being asked
 - Directly of nominal amount cheerfully after being asked
 - Directly of nominal amount grudgingly after being asked

Help us transform today's teens into a new generation of Jewish givers within our community

How it works:

Each teen commits to approximately six weeks of Sunday meetings in the early evening, within the Princeton area. Additionally, each teen donates \$120 of his or her own monies—which is matched by both the United Jewish Federation of Princeton Mercer Bucks and the Ricky and Andrew J. Shechtel Philanthropic Fund. This results in a total giving amount of \$360 per teen and a total group fund of \$7,200.

Under the teaching and guidance of Jewish Family & Children's Service, each age group learns the principles of Tikkun Olam and Tzedakah, as well as the essential steps required to make informed philanthropic decisions. The group identifies areas of interest within the local Jewish Federation network and the greater Jewish world community.

Following actual site visits, each teen presents his or her findings and opinions to the group...and the debate over how best to allocate the group's money begins!

The result is weeks of intelligent thought and planning, as well as emotional explorations of Jewish needs far beyond each teen's own world. The teens learn more about caring and selflessness, and their donation to one or more carefully researched needy causes within the local, national and international Jewish communities.

The focus of Tzedakah by each grade level:



GRADE 8
Local
Social Service



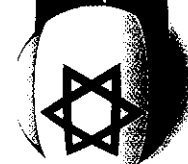
GRADE 9
National
Social Service



GRADE 10
Jewish Culture



GRADE 11
Political, Outreach
& Advocacy



GRADE 12
Israel Trip/Giving

How to Sign up your son or daughter:

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