

# Diller Teen Fellows



Creating our Future Jewish Leaders

## Diller Teen Fellows Mission:

The Diller Teen Fellowship is an international partnership that inspires and empowers Jewish teens to be active, effective leaders with a strong Jewish identity, a sense of belonging to their community, The Jewish people and Israel, and a responsibility to the betterment of their communities, Israel, and the Jewish people.



## The Programme:

Diller Teen Fellows participate in a Jewish educational training series and create and implement social service projects during bi weekly workshops and weekend retreats throughout the year. The program also includes a three week seminar in Israel, The Diller Teen Leadership Congress with participants from Israel and around the world, and a 10 day peer-to-peer exchange in South Africa with their Israeli counterpart group.



*“By bringing together teens throughout the Jewish world, the Diller Teen Fellows Program becomes an embodiment of Jewish Peoplehood by design. By teaching the teens what is expected of the as leaders the program offers Jewish Peoplehood a future.”*

*Dr shlomi Ravid directing the centre for Jewish Peoplehood education*

## Diller Teen Fellows History:

The Diller Teen Fellow's program is generously supported by the philanthropy of Helen Diller, in partnership with each local community. The hope and belief of Helen Diller is that by investing in our teens today we will be creating the future generations of Jewish leaders world wide who will be committed to the Jewish community, Israel and community service.

The Diller Teen Fellows Program is generously funded by the Helen Diller Family Foundation, a supporting foundation of the Jewish Community Federation and Endowment Fund of San Francisco, the Peninsula Marin and Sonoma Counties, created this international initiative to promote Jewish teen leadership.

The Diller Teen Fellow's program has been implemented in San Francisco / Upper Galilee for the past 19 years. Since it's inception the program has grown to include 10 North American / Israeli partnerships, 2 South African communities, Australia, London and Buenos Aires. Each local community develops a selective year-long program for a cohort of twenty grade 11's, focusing on leadership training, tikkun olam (social action), Judaism and Jewish Identity, and the connection to Israel and Jewish peoplehood



## Diller Teen Fellows Four Pillar:

- Leadership
- Tikkun Olam (Social Action)
- Judaism & Jewish Identity
- Israel



*"If there is ever a program that seriously reflects the concept of Jewish Peoplehood, it is the*

*Diller Teen Fellows."*

*Avraham Infold President of Hillel  
The Foundation for Jewish Campus Life.*

## Diller Teen Fellows Core Values:

- Excellence
- Engagement
- Responsibility
- Partnership
- Teamwork
- Peoplehood

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## Goals:

- Participants in the program will strengthen their Jewish Identities, with awareness of and respect for others
- Participants in the program will be active leaders, spearheading responses to needs in the communities.
- Participants in the program will build meaningful and long- term connection with their peers in their local and partnership communities.
- Participants in the program will feel a sense of belonging and responsibility to Israel and the Jewish People.
- Graduates of the program will be empowered, with awareness of their potential.
- Graduates of the program will generate a positive ripple effect in their local communities (families, friends, etc.)
- Graduates of the program will have the opportunity to become Madrichim in the program taking their leadership skills a level up as they work with the next cohort of Fellows
- Graduates of the program and their families will have an increased sense of belonging and commitment to their Partnership community and a heightened connection to Israel and the Jewish People
- Graduates of the program will have a local and international network of fellow Diller Teens who have participated in the program and will be part of this network of international Jewish Leaders



## Partners in Success:

**32 communities are currently implementing the Diller Teen Fellowship:**

San Francisco / Upper Galilee

Toronto / Eilat

Baltimore / Ashkelon

Greater MetroWest / Rishon LeZion

Johannesburg / Beit Shemesh, Matei Yehuda

Boston / Haifa

Montreal / Be'er Sheva/ B'nei Shimon

Pittsburgh / Karmiel-Misgav

Miami / Yerucham

Los Angeles / Tel Aviv

Chicago / Kiryat Gat, Lachish and Shafir

Cape Town / Shoham

Melbourne / Golan Heights

Brooklyn / Hertzelia

Buenos Aires / Hod Hasharon

London / Tiveria

## Diller Teen Fellows Yearly Events:

- We will have workshop twice a month from 5:00 -9:00

## Contact Information

For More information on the program and any questions you may have please contact

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Since 1997 the Helen Diller Family Foundation and partner communities have proudly graduated over 2000 Diller Teen Fellows alumni, creating a remarkable network of young Jewish leaders throughout the world.