



Paili Bachrach

Social Action Vice President Candidate

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Shalom NFTY-CAR!

My name is Paili Bachrach, and I'm running to be your Social Action Vice President. I am a sophomore at Lane Tech College Prep High School in Chicago. I enjoy the diversity of my school, and am also very proud of my Jewish identity. I am a member of the Jewish Student Connection at Lane Tech. In my own temple, Congregation Emanuel Chicago, I am the programming vice president for our TYG. I was eight years old when I began going to OSRUI, and I've gone every summer since then. (Last year, I was thrilled to spend 7 weeks there, studying Hebrew in Chalutzim). I have been a part of NFTY since my eighth grade JYG Kallah and I have gone to every event ever since. I am also very happy to be involved with Camp CAR this year, for the second year. Camp CAR is super important to me and I'm so excited to be on the Leadership Team this year! In November, the Leadership Team members along with the Camp Jenny Leadership Team were all sent to Atlanta to attend Racing Forward's Facing Race Conference. Through this opportunity I gained a deeper understanding of issues relating to race, gender, religious diversity, and other topics relevant to American society. This was an especially meaningful experience to me, considering the fact that the conference took place only days after the presidential election. The main reason that I want to run for Social Action Vice President is because I am very committed to making the world a better place. I know this might sound corny, but I think if every person got involved with helping others, even in a small way, it would make a huge difference! I want to share my time, experience, and commitment to social change and hope to do so with you!

Qualifications

Developed Social Action Program JYG Kallah 2016-present
Camp CAR Leadership Team Member
2017 Developed Social Action Program JYG Kallah (with other NFTY participants)
2015-2016 Camp CAR CIT
2016- present Programming Vice- President ESTY
2016- present Youth Action Team Member, Congregation Emanuel 2008-2016 OSRUI Camper
2015 - present 12 NFTY Events

My Platform

I am running for Social Action Vice-President because I feel very motivated by the concept of Tikkun Olam, “to repair the world.” There are some issues that I believe are especially important for us to get involved in now. As you may know, at convention this year, NFTY launched a national Racial Justice campaign. I want to continue taking part in this great campaign with you, NFTY CAR. We are located in such a great and diverse city that is currently facing some of the biggest social challenges ever in Chicago’s history. Every person who gets involved can help. We can play an important role in solving some of the city’s problems. When people from different backgrounds meet, get to know each other, and work together on a common goal, everybody benefits. I enjoyed meeting the teens at Bright Star Church, and I think that we should team up and do a community based project together. In NFTY, we do so much about learning how to get involved. I want to, as a region, actually go out and get involved in the causes we care about!



Spring & Summer

This Spring, I will continue my commitment to Social Justice through Camp CAR, which I helped plan this year on the Leadership Team. This Summer is my off year at OSRUI. Since I love camp so much, I have decided to work at a Jewish day camp. I am so excited to help shape young, Jewish minds at Apachi. Unfortunately, this means I may be unable to attend Mechina at URJ Kutz Camp.

I can't wait to see you all at elections!
Much love, Paili Bachrach