



Congregation Shir Hadash
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Shir Hadash Men's Club Youth Grant Program Process

Mission Statement: To promote the development of Jewish community spirit in the youth of our congregation. This grant program was established to encourage our youth to participate in Jewish context programs offered outside our temple community. These experiences are intended to enhance the participant's Jewish development and provide the foundation for our youth to live a life of contribution to the community.

Funding:

- The Shir Hadash Men's Club (hereafter referred to as the Men's Club) allocates funds by fiscal year to support this program. Grants will be allocated up to the approved funding level.
- Grants are intended to offset a portion of the participant's total expenses.
- The Men's Club will provide funds directly to the sponsoring organization for approved activities, events, conferences and programs.

Eligibility:

- Youth members of Congregation Shir Hadash families.
- In school grades 8 through 12 (through August 1st after High School graduation)

Schedule:

- Applications may be submitted at any time during the calendar year for events within 4 months of the application date.
- To support processing, applications should be submitted at least 45 days before the event; however, we will make every effort to consider any application we receive no matter the timing.
- A response will be provided to the applicant within 3 weeks of submission.

Applications:

- Apply on-line or by postal mail to the Men's Club Youth Grants Program using the Grant Program application form on the Men's Club web site at <http://www.shirhadashmensclub.org>. Applications should be submitted to the addresses indicated on the application form (postal mail or e-mail). If the submission is by postal mail, please indicate on the outside of the envelope that this is a Men's Club Youth Grants Application.
- The Men's Club will forward the grant application to the Shir Hadash clergy for their concurrence on the application of funds. Although this is not a needs based program, the Men's Club will consider input from the clergy for applicants who might need additional financial support.
- The Men's Club Youth Grants Committee (consisting of the President,

President Elect and Youth Grants lead) will evaluate all grant applications based on information provided in the application and available funding. Men's Club Youth Grants have a guideline limit of \$500.00.

- Applications will be reviewed in the order in which they are received.
- Applicants who receive grants are asked to provide a short written summary of the event and benefit to the individual. Summary should not exceed 1 page.

Funding Approval:

- Applicant will be notified by the Men's Club Grant's Committee on the funding decision.
- The Committee will coordinate with the applicant to submit the awarded grant funds directly to the sponsoring organization.

If you have any questions, please contact Mike Segal, the Men's Club Youth Grant Program lead by e-mail: mike@mikesegalproperties.com or telephone: 408-828-2145 or contact Rabbi Schwartz at Shir Hadash. Thank you.

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Some Worthy Jewish Youth Programs

NFTY Programs or Events

 NFTY Conventions

 NFTY Programs or Events

Union of Reform Judaism Biennial Convention

Jews Around the World (International Event)

CAJE, the huge Jewish educators' conference, has a teen track

URJ/RAC L'Taken Programs

Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion Programs

Washington DC – Religious Action Center

Other programs that meet our Mission Statement criteria