

**1. What goals do you have as Social Action VP for the 2017-2018 year?**

My primary goal as Social Action VP is to work on gender inclusion, which would make housing easier and more comfortable for the LGBTQ+ community in NFTY-STR. This would include working with CampMinder to make registration an inclusive process.

Another goal I'd bring to NFTY-STR is talking and learning from adults and teens of other faiths to build stronger community partnerships.

**2. Why have you chosen to run for Social Action VP?**

My mom always told me about social action and being Social Action VP. She was on divisional board which oversaw all 5 boroughs in NYC. For as long as I remember, doing good in the world was impressed upon me. Helping people just started making me happy and fighting for social justice is something I wanted to continue doing and encouraging others to as well.

**3. List what experiences make you qualified to be Social Action VP.**

I am the Social Action VP of my TYG, TOUCHY. I was chosen to go with Zoe Turner on the Social Action Leadership Trip (SALT), a North American leadership and action trip for regional SAVPs and one person from the region that they feel exhibits drive and leadership potential in social justice. Along with participating in SALT, I also went to Mechina. Mechina is North American training in leadership skills where we had individual tracks; I was on the gender inclusion track. This past January, my family and I went on a week-long social impact travel cruise. We went to the Dominican Republic where we recycled paper with local women of the island and helped a small chocolate

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factory make chocolate and plant cocoa seeds. I was also in Girl Scouts, through which I received the Silver President's award for community service. In addition, I helped plan the Camporee, an event for approximately 200 elementary aged girls, twice, which improved my leadership and programming experience.

**4. What is your experience with Camp Jenny?**

I'm looking forward to attending my first Camp Jenny this year after having worked hard in the past to not only raise money but just as importantly raise awareness for this life-changing program. I've been a camper at URJ Camp Coleman for 2 years and in that time, I explored the entire camp and know it like the back of my hand. This will help me know locations of things around camp for programs and places that would be best to use. Just as important, I know how Camp Coleman feels and will strive to make Camp Jenny a welcoming a supportive environment to everyone who attends.

**5. Name one Social Action initiative you would like to bring to NFTY and explain how you would implement it.**

One Social Action initiative I would like to bring to NFTY-STR is learning and talking about gun violence prevention and actions we can take to promote meaningful legislation. I would implement this initiative which would include programs presenting facts and figures on how many people are negatively affected by the use of a gun in an engaging and interactive ways. We would also learn from victims of gun violence or their family members and I hope for NFTY-STR to be able to support survivors of gun violence and their families in our community.