

**What goals do you have as Social Action VP for the 2020-2021 year?**

My goals as Social Action Vice President are to incorporate new ideas and projects related to recycling and creating the Buddy Badge. I want to encourage participants to take part in social action projects locally as well as in the NFTY community. Additionally, I will educate those around me and show how giving back to the community through local organizations and clubs can be fun.

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

I have chosen to run for Social Action Vice President because I am passionate about making a change in the community. It would be a great opportunity to lead a group of teens who are deeply involved in the NFTY community and are excited to learn how to implement change.

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

All the opportunities and positions I have experienced qualify me to be Social Action Vice President. At Camp Jenny, I was honored to be a part of the staff for the tweens unit, where I made memories I will never forget. I went to Kutz for Action and Advocacy, where I spent a month learning how to be a leader, which I brought back to my community at home. I learned how to reach out to organizations and how just one person can make change. I had the opportunity to lead a night program where I presented on how to advocate to make changes within their communities. Furthermore, I have experience on an executive board having served as the Social Action Vice President of STARY for the past two years. I am also Sergeant at Arms

in my school's National Honor Society. Moreover, I volunteer at Big Dog Ranch Rescue and with the Guardian Ad Litem program, where I have solicited adults to become volunteers to help abused and neglected children.

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

I was fortunate to attend Camp Jenny in 2019 as a counselor for Tweens. My experience at Camp Jenny demonstrated how connecting with others from a different background than mine can make an impact on their lives while also providing a fun and amazing experience. More importantly, I was able to experience how magical Campy Jenny is and how fun it is to know you are giving back to others not as fortunate as you.

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

I would like to implement an initiative called the Buddy Badge with the help of the MVP. The premise of the Buddy Badge initiative is to create a badge that allows people who feel left out to know there is someone there to guide and help them. The idea is to ensure that all NFTY participants feel included and not feel isolated or left out. More significantly, by focusing on making all members feel welcome within the NFTY community, the initiative will help promote and encourage mental health and anti-bullying awareness so nobody is alone and won't feel judged. The program implementation would involve having participants sign up at an event to serve as a buddy to help new or shy members meet new people and help them become involved and feel more connected to the event.