



NEW and EXCITING programs to help our local community

There is a different project every month...which ones do you like?

Please plan your year and help us plan ours by signing up now for as many projects that interest you. Some of the organizations limit the number of volunteers, so sign up early! Also start saving items for our collections!

We would prefer registration be done electronically using the links specified on the reverse side. If you cannot sign up electronically, use the form on the reverse side.



Come help sort and bag books which we will collect at **Bernie's Book Bank!** Bernie's Book Bank facilitates the collection, processing and redistribution of new and gently used children's books to significantly increase **BOOK OWNERSHIP** among at-risk infants, toddlers and school-age children throughout Chicagoland.



Come and serve food and converse with guests at the **Uptown Cafe.** The JUF Uptown Cafe provides hot meals in a restaurant-style setting. It also brings dignity and hope to people in need. Volunteers are encouraged to enjoy a meal with guests, as many diners are socially isolated and in need of person-to-person contact.



Volunteer to make sure **everyone** gets to enjoy a holiday meal! **Volunteer to help make the boxes, pack the food packages and to help deliver the packages.** "Maot Chitim" refers to the centuries old custom of gathering wheat to provide the poor with matzoh and other items for the observance of Rosh Hashanah and Pesach.



Help make sure local families have enough to eat! We will have a table outside of Jewel/Osco in Glenview. We will ask shoppers to donate food items for the Northfield Food Pantry. Many hundreds of Township families are eligible to visit the Pantry.



Enjoy the outdoors and help Temple Beth-El renew their garden. We will be planting our corner lot for the community garden and also renewing some of our beds with new perennials. You and your children can help plant our garden and be able to watch your "plants" grow every time you come to temple.



Deliver a Shabbat Bag to Jewish hospice patients. The bag needs to contain 2 mini challot or rolls and a mini bottle of grape juice (kosher preferred). You can also add homemade baked goods. Delivery should take place (between 11 am - 3 pm) directly to the patients so you may visit with them. Children 12 years and older are welcome to participate. If children are involved, delivery can be made until 4:30 pm.



Help make a senior's birthday a special day. **Volunteers will help set up the birthday party at Gidwitz, assist the residents to their seats and serve beverages.** Gidwitz Assisted Living Center birthday party for residents takes place the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm. The program is usually over by 3:00 pm, but volunteers can leave earlier if needed.



Help make sure a child gets the Chanukah present they wished for! **Every year we let congregants select a child's wish and purchase a gift. This year, we also get to help sort the donated gifts and match them to each child!** Organizations and countless individuals and families throughout Chicagoland collect holiday gifts for clients of JCFS & JVS. The work requires teamwork and organization skills, and some light lifting. Volunteers may be as young as age 13, but must be accompanied by an adult.



Drop off your bag of food at Yom Kippur services for the ARK. The ARK provides free social and medical services to help distressed members of our Chicagoland Jewish family return to self-reliance.

September

Maot Chitim—Rosh Hashanah Delivery

Sun, Sep 11, 2016 10-11 am (Make boxes)

Sun, Sep 18, 2016 11:30am–12:30 pm (Pack boxes)

Sun, Sep 25, 2016 9:40–11 am (Deliver boxes)

Location: Make/Pack—8260 N. Austin Avenue, in Morton Grove

Deliver—99 Phillip Rd Vernon Hills

Limit: Make—20 people, Pack—20 people, Deliver—5 families

Age Recommendations:

Make boxes—ages 10 and up (strictly enforced)

Pack boxes—ages 12 and up (strictly enforced)

Deliver boxes—all

Signup Link: <http://bit.ly/TBETikkunOlam>

Uptown Cafe

Tues, Sept 20, 2016 5:30-7:30 pm

Location: 909 West Wilson Avenue, Chicago

Age Requirements: 12+ with adult

Limit: 6 volunteers

Signup Link: email—bennettk@aol.com

October

Northfield Food Pantry

Sun, Oct 9, 2016 1-4 pm (sign up for 1 hr shift)

Location: Jewel/Osco at Pfingsten & Willow, Glenview

Limit: 3 shifts—each shift can be 3 kids/1+adult

Age Recommendation: 4-18 years old

Signup Link: <http://bit.ly/TBETikkunOlam>

ARK Food Collection

Wed, Oct 12, 2016—Yom Kippur

Location: Glenbrook South HS

Age Recommendation: All

ARK Food Collection

Decorated baskets of fresh fruit

Sun, Oct 16, 2016 5 pm—Sukkot Celebration

Location: Temple Beth-El

Age Recommendation: All

November

Uptown Cafe

Thurs, Nov 17, 2016 5:30-7:30 pm

Location: 909 West Wilson Avenue, Chicago

Age Requirements: 12+ with adult

Limit: 6 volunteers

Signup Link: email—bennettk@aol.com

Nov/December

JCFS Dreidel Project

Nov 1—Nov 28, 2016 at TBE—collect gifts

Sun, Dec 11, 2016 1-3 pm—**Gift Sorting**

Location: 255 Revere Dr., Suite 200, Northbrook

Age Recommendations: 13+ with adult

Limit: Minimum 15/Maximum 20

Signup Link: <http://bit.ly/TBETikkunOlam>

January

Martin Luther King Service Day

MLK Day—School Holiday

Mon, Jan 16, 2017

Location: TBD

Age Recommendation: All

Signup Link: <http://bit.ly/TBETikkunOlam>

March

Bernie's Book Bank

February at TBE—Collecting kids books

Pulaski Day—School Holiday - **Delivery & sorting**

Mon, Mar 6, 2017 9:30-11:30 am

Location: 917 North Shore Drive Lake Bluff

Limit: 75 Volunteers

Age Recommendation: All; children under age

14 must be accompanied by an adult

Signup Link: <http://bit.ly/TBETikkunOlam>

April

Maot Chitim—Pesach Delivery

Sun, Mar 19, 2017 10-11 am (Make boxes)

Sun, Mar 26, 2017 11:30 am–12:30 pm (Pack boxes)

Sun, Apr 2, 2017 9:40-11 am (Deliver boxes)

Location: TBD

Limit: Make—20 people, Pack—20 people, Deliver—5 families

Age Recommendations:

Make boxes—ages 10 and up (strictly enforced)

Pack boxes—ages 12 and up (strictly enforced)

Deliver boxes—all

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May

TBE Garden Renewal

Sun, May 21, 2017 9:30-11 am

Location: Temple Beth-El

Limit: None

Age Recommendation: All

Signup Link: <http://bit.ly/TBETikkunOlam>

Monthly throughout the year

Birthday Parties at Gidwitz Assisted Living

3rd Wednesday of each month

1:15-3:00 pm

Location: 1551 Lake Cook Rd, Deerfield

Age Recommendation: All (child must be accompanied by adult)

Limit: 2-3 volunteers

Signup Link: email Marcia Kanarek at imokydoky@aol.com or call 847-826-1954

Shabbat Bags for Hospice Patients

3rd Friday of each month

11:00 am-3 pm (4:30 pm if with children)

Location: Midwest Palliative & Hospice Care, 2050 Claire St., Glenview

Age Recommendation: 12+

Signup Link: email Susan Harrison at sgharrison77@gmail.com or call 847-606-4040.

Family Name _____

Names of Participants _____

Email _____

Number of Participants

Maot Chitim

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JCFS Chanukkah Gift Sorting

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MLK Day Activities

Jan 16, 2017 _____

Bernie's Book Bank

Mar 6, 2017 _____

Maot Chitim

Mar 19, 2017 _____

Mar 26, 2017 _____

Apr 2, 2017 _____

TBE Garden Renewal

May 21, 2017 _____

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