

Option I: 15 Service Hours Requirements

There are many mitzvot in Judaism, one of which is tzedakah. Tzedakah involves the giving of money, food and clothes. There is also Gemilut Chasadim, giving of one's time and energy. The Mechinah class students will be performing both of these mitzvot throughout the year. Volunteers are needed to perform Tikkun Olam, repairing the world in the Jewish community (including our Synagogue) and the community at large. Each time you volunteer in the Synagogue or Community please fill out a Volunteer Voucher Form (a sample is included in this booklet. Extra forms may also be found on the Synagogue's website, www.tbanj.org. Please go to the Hebrew School site and then hit Mechinah year.

Fifteen (15) total volunteer hours are required for each Mechinah Class student as follows:

- ★ 5 synagogue volunteer hours
- ★ 5 community volunteer hours
- ★ 5 additional hours of student's choice either synagogue or community
- ★ 2 hours working at the Purim Carnival and 1 hour at Mitzvah Morning

Synagogue Service Opportunities

Volunteers are always needed in the synagogue to help the congregation run smoothly and efficiently. Mechinah class students are very helpful in this effort. To volunteer in our office or for list of opportunities, please call Arleen 973-994-3950.

- ★ Religious School Assistant - Assisting in the office Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 4:00-6:00 p.m. in various office tasks when needed. Please call Brenda to ask if volunteers are needed for the day.
- ★ Hebrew Tutor - Assist students in Hebrew 4:00-6:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday. The Mechinah class student's Hebrew skills need to be evaluated before a student may tutor. Please contact Brenda.
- ★ Classroom Assistant - Assist students and teachers on Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays from 4:00-5:30 or 6 p.m. For the continuity of our classes we do ask for a one month commitment. The beginning and end of the day are the busiest times and all volunteers must be here the entire time.
- ★ Sell Snacks - Monday, Tuesday or Thursday, 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. You will receive 1/2 hour of Synagogue service. Please contact Arleen at alichtenstein@tbanj.org

Community Service Opportunities

Please let us know if you are involved in an organization that could use volunteers. The opportunity can be publicized. Babysitting, volunteering at school fairs or helping out with chores at home does not constitute community service. If you have a question as to whether something you are interested in doing would count as community service, please contact the office at alichtenstein@tbanj.org.