



**Financial Support Application for Teen Trips to Israel**  
**Due: Friday, March 2, 2020**

Please mail application to 2939 Birch Hollow Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108, or email to [jessica@jewishannarbor.org](mailto:jessica@jewishannarbor.org), or fax to (734) 677-0109

The Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor believes in the value of Israel experiences for teenagers and offers a travel subsidy and the *Susan L. Lichter Memorial Endowed Israel Scholarship* to local teens participating in approved organized peer trips to Israel. This financial support is provided for summer, semester and yearlong programs, including gap year (between high school and college). They are not provided for college students or family/individual travel. Funding will be paid directly to the program. Eligible programs must be at least 21 days in length and be organized by an approved provider such as MASA gap year programs and summer/semester programs sponsored by national youth movements. Other eligible programs include those sponsored by educational institutions and those listed on the *Jewish Agency's Israel Experiences* website. Applicants are invited to apply to both the subsidy and the *Susan L. Lichter Memorial Endowed Scholarship*.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Present grade in high school: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) E-mail(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID or Last 4 Digits of Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and dates of program for which you are applying a scholarship: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of sponsoring organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the program in which you will be participating: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied to any other scholarships to help support this trip? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please indicate what scholarships. \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been on a youth trip to Israel? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please indicate what program. \_\_\_\_\_

Please check which travel assistance you are applying for:  Subsidy  Scholarship  Both



## **Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor Travel Subsidy**

The amount of the subsidy will vary based on the number of applicants. The maximum an individual will receive is \$1,000. Applicants are eligible for only one Federation subsidy and may not apply twice. Subsidy recipients will be asked to share their experiences after their trip.

Please write an essay of approximately 1,000 words addressing the following question:

*What are your motivation and goals for visiting Israel and how will your particular program help you to achieve your goals?*

*I am willing upon my return to talk to student groups about my experience in Israel and will also submit a supplemental essay of approximately 1,000 words, along with a photograph, describing my experiences and insights gained during my trip. If I am selected, I agree to have both my application and post-trip essay printed in the Washtenaw Jewish News.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parental Release:

*I give my permission for my child to apply for a Federation Subsidy for a summer, semester or gap year program in Israel.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent or Guardian)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## Susan L. Lichter Memorial Endowed Israel Scholarship

The *Susan L. Lichter Memorial Endowed Israel Scholarship* provides two scholarships of \$2,500 each to local high school students for participation in peer group Israel experiences. Essays are judged anonymously therefore do NOT type your name on the essay. Please be sure to include your student ID or the last 4 digits of your social security number. Award notification will be made by May 1. At the conclusion of the Israel Experience, each recipient will be required to submit a supplemental essay, along with a photograph, describing their experiences and insights gained during their time in Israel. Both the application and the post-trip essay may be published in the Washtenaw Jewish News.

Please write an essay of approximately 1,000 words addressing the following question:

*How will this trip help with grow your connection to Israel and the Jewish community, and upon your return, how will it aid in your engagement with the Jewish community at home and abroad?*

*I understand a review committee will select the recipients of the Susan L. Lichter Memorial Endowed Israel Scholarship and I will be notified by May 1. Furthermore, I understand that upon my return, I must submit a supplemental essay of approximately 1,000 words, along with a photograph, describing my experiences and insights gained during my trip. If I am selected, I agree to have both my application and post-trip essay printed in the Washtenaw Jewish News.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parental Release:

*I give my permission for my child to apply for the Susan L. Lichter Memorial Endowed Israel Scholarship for a summer, semester or gap year program in Israel.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent or Guardian)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_