

Sinai Mitzvah Garden Teen Internship

Job Description, 5/17/2023

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The Sinai Mitzvah Garden Teen Internship aims to embody Jewish values of stewardship, community, and *Tikkun Olam* (repairing the world). The 6-week internship will run from the week of July 10 through August 20. Interns will learn land stewardship principles and engage in hands-on gardening. Interns will also learn and discuss issues relating to environmental justice in our Jewish community, locally and globally.

Last year was the inaugural year of the garden program and we look forward to building on that initial work this summer as we continue to center the leadership of young people in the garden. Teens hired for the position will have a key role in maintaining and expanding the Sinai Mitzvah Gardens by:

- Planting and harvesting crops
- Creating signage to orient visitors to the garden
- Facilitating community work days to build land-tending community at Sinai
- Educating the public about the mission of the garden
- Connecting with local organizations in the greater Springfield area
- Learning and sharing about social justice issues regarding land and water access and food systems locally in Springfield/Western MA and in the Jewish community worldwide

Information and How to Apply:

There are two-three open positions for teens grades 9-12. Interns will work **6** hours/week split among two 3-hour work days, and will be granted a **\$540 stipend** at the end of the term. **Applications are accepted through June 16** on the Sinai Temple website. After applying, we will reach out to schedule an interview time. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance by the end of June, at which point we will be in touch about an orientation date. Workday scheduling can be flexible to meet everyone's needs.