LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Learning to lead. Putting Jewish values into action. Making a difference.

Through Creating Connected Communities' (CCC) four-year Leadership Development Program (LDP), Jewish teens develop leadership skills, build meaningful friendships, and put Jewish values into action. By combining hands-on learning with community service, teens grow as compassionate leaders while making a difference in the lives of thousands of children and families experiencing hardship across Atlanta.

JEWISH WISDOM & IDENTITY

Jewish values and teachings help teens wrestle with questions of responsibility, justice, and generosity.

LEADERSHIP IN PRACTICE

Teens build self-awareness, empathy, collaboration, and the confidence to take on new challenges.

SERVICE & COMMUNITY IMPACT

Teens put learning into action through volunteer experiences rooted in humility and respect.

FOUR YEARS OF GROWTH, MENTORSHIP & FRIENDSHIP

LDP's spiral curriculum builds on ten core learning themes, deepening teens' understanding and leadership responsibilities each year. Monthly sessions combine Jewish learning, reflection, and relationship-building in a fun, youth group–style setting. Trained Jewish young adult mentors, including LDP alumni, guide teens through their monthly sessions and serve as positive role models. Over four years, teens develop lasting friendships and practical leadership skills they can carry into their schools, communities, and future endeavors, preparing them to become the next generation of compassionate Jewish community leaders.

YEAR 1
DISCOVER

Explore Jewish identity, values, community, and the foundation of what it means to lead.

YEAR 2
CONNECT

Deepen empathy, strengthen relationships, and learn to work toward shared goals.

YEAR 3
MOBILIZE

Take initiative, advocate for others, and lead projects with greater ownership.

YEAR 4
APPLY

Mentor younger peers, evaluate impact, and apply leadership skills beyond LDP.

TEN CONNECTED LEARNING THEMES

01 Building Community & Defining Jewish Leadership	**06** Jewish Philanthropy & Learning from Community Leaders
02 Mission, Vision & Values	**07** Inspiring Generosity & Fundraising
03 Understanding Families Experiencing Economic Hardship	**08** Advocacy & Public Speaking
04 Serving with Empathy & Dignity	**09** Designing Programs & Assessing Impact
05 Team Building & Program Planning	**10** Reflecting, Celebrating & Setting Future Goals

VOLUNTEER WORK & COMMUNITY IMPACT

Throughout the year, LDP teens put their leadership skills into action through CCC's community outreach programs at Title I schools, after-school programs, and community centers across Atlanta. They lead tutoring, sports and STEAM activities, festivals, and holiday celebrations, creating meaningful experiences and connections with children and families experiencing hardship. Programs also provide meals, books, school supplies, personal care products, and gifts to help meet families' needs. These experiences help families feel connected and supported while teaching teens to serve with empathy, lead with purpose, and put Jewish values into action.

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