



Shlichim Housing

Dear Camp Shalom Families,

Your family has the chance to support Israel this summer by opening your home to one of the Israeli camp counselors the JCC will welcome to Camp Shalom this summer. This powerful experience will bring the culture of Israel straight to your home, as you build long-lasting relationships with Israeli young adults. We are happy to announce that we will be bringing 3 shlichim (Israeli staff) to camp. We are very lucky to have **Shira** and **Adi** return to us for another summer, and to welcome **Yuval** to camp, as well.

We rely on our community to help house these guests during the summer and the shlichim are very excited to have a home away from home within our community. Below are the host session dates. Please let me know if you are interested in hosting or learning more.

May 25th - June 18th

June 18th - July 9th

July 9th - August 6th

As the host family, you are responsible for providing a private room, meals, and transportation to and from camp. We trust that you will make the shlichim feel at home and treat them as part of your family. Our shlichim have undergone extensive background screening and aptitude testing. They have also completed their army service and are in their early 20s. We assure you that they are reliable and responsible individuals who are eager to share their unique experiences with your family.

During their stay, our shlichim will engage with your family by swapping stories about life, spending time with your child, and playing with them. They may even share new recipes for you to try! We believe that their presence in your home will bring a wonderful and unforgettable experience to your family.

Please remember that our shlichim are guests in your home and are expected to abide by your family rules. They will clean up after themselves to ensure that your home remains in good condition. There will also be some times when the shlichim will be away from your home as they become friends with other camp staff and join them for outings, shopping, and meals. Please note that all expenses for these activities will be paid for by the shlichim themselves.

We appreciate your hospitality and willingness to host our shlichim. We believe that this exchange program will provide a valuable cultural exchange experience for both your family and our staff. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us.

Looking forward to camp,

Summer Sweetall

Director of Family and Youth Engagement & Camp Shalom