

Avodah

Avodah DC Alumni Leading our Communities in Jewish Social Justice Learning • Impact Grant

Avodah will expand their Alumni Justice Ambassador (AJA) program in Northern Virginia communities. The AJA program pairs Avodah fellowship alumni with opportunities to become teachers for communities seeking to engage in meaningful social justice learning, strengthen their Jewish identity, learn skills to confront hate and bias, challenge anti-Semitic myths with facts, and explore the history of anti-Semitism.

Proposal

DC Alumni Leading Our Communities

Funding

\$15,000

Category

NOVA/NextGen Combined - Impact

Program Goals

1. Expand our reach, particularly among Northern Virginia communities.
2. Support Avodah alumni in developing their leadership and building ties with their local Jewish communities.
3. Participants in AJA-led sessions not yet involved will come away with a better sense of poverty issues and ways in which they can leverage Jewish wisdom to help address those issues.

Metrics



5-6 Alumni Justice Ambassadors selected for FY 2020

Q1: 5 DC AJAs, as well as one Baltimore-based AJA recruited to lead programming



A total of at least 375 people reached through AJA-led sessions

Q1&2: 83 Participants through AJA-led sessions



Monitor new and existing relationships

Q1: 7 active partnerships where relationships have been deepened due to the AJA programs including 4 with new organizations including George Washington Hillel, Temple Sinai, Etz Hayim, and B'nai Israel



Track number of new partners in NOVA

Q1&2: 2 new partnerships created in Northern Virginia with congregations with congregations

3-4

teaching engagements per AJA

Q1&2: 13 workshops already completed and/or planned teaching engagements to date with a goal of 3-4 each following an expanded training program

