

Honeymoon Israel

Honeymoon Israel Greater Washington DC • Impact Grant

At Honeymoon Israel (HMI), we use a highly subsidized group trip to Israel as a catalyst for building a lifelong Jewish community at home. Participants spend nine exhilarating days in Israel sharing fun, meaningful experiences with couples from their city. Then, the journey continues at home as couples learn, grow, and explore together. HMI is so much more than a trip to Israel. The cohesive community built on the ground in Israel is sustained and nurtured, formally through HMI organized efforts and informally by grassroots efforts from participants themselves. The result is organic neighborhood-based micro-communities of young families, intimately sharing their joys and challenges, inspired to continue their Jewish journey within the context of the local DC Jewish community.

Proposal

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Funding

\$80,000

Category

Renewal - NextGen - Impact

Program Goals

1. The couples consider themselves a Jewish family.
2. Both partners feel part of the Jewish people and feel that connection is a source of meaning in their lives.
3. Couple/family incorporates Jewish traditions, culture, activities, and/or ongoing exploration into their lives on a regular basis.
4. The couple engages in and builds their lives with Jewish community, including local micro-communities of HMI couples and/or organized Jewish communities.
5. Both partners feel a connection to the land, state, and people of Israel.

Metrics



20 postponed trip participants to attend monthly programs
Q2: 10 postponed trip participants attended monthly programs

60

unique attendees to monthly meetings
Q1: Averaged 108 unique attendees to monthly meetings
Q2: 112 unique attendees to monthly meetings

40%

of alumni will attend more than one program quarterly after their return
Q1: 52% of alumni attend more than one program quarterly
Q2: 40.52% of alumni (94 of 232 families) attended more than one program quarterly



25 unique individuals per month will participate in a partnership event with HMI
Q1: Average of 47 unique individuals per month participating in a partnership event with HMI
Q2: 30 individuals per month participating in a partnership event with HMI

25%

(at minimum) of monthly events will be held in collaboration with partners at other organizations
Q1: 38% of monthly events were held in collaboration with partners
Q2: 33% of monthly events were held in collaboration with partners

