

Community Outreach at Temple Aliyah

Judaism teaches that we have a moral obligation to repair the world. Opportunities to perform acts of Tikkun Olam abound at Temple Aliyah. We plan many occasions throughout the year for families and individuals to give back to both the local, national and global community, with an emphasis on directly reaching out to individuals in need. Additionally, we have joined with a local church to perform several interfaith gatherings throughout the year, to promote understanding. Some of our outreach programs include:

Heal the Bay- beach cleanup in Malibu

SOVA Food Pantry- year round food collection as well as special collections and opportunities to volunteer at the SOVA Collection Center

Pacific Boys Lodge- Annual Christmas Dinner preparation by our Congregation for At-Risk Boys at this Woodland Hills home, and other activities throughout the year

Mitzvah Day- in conjunction with the Valley Alliance of the Jewish Federation, this is a special day of onsite and off campus activities revolving around Tikkun- Olam

Koreh LA- Our congregants tutor elementary school children

Community service for Teens- A variety of projects are offered and new projects created for our teens to help them fulfill Community Service requirements

Bikkur Cholim- a dedicated volunteer group visits fellow congregants who are ill and offers assistance

Thinking of You Bags- Our Community of Caring holds several events each year to put together bags which are then delivered by volunteers to those members who are ill, have surgery, or are bereaved, as well as bags to welcome new babies to our families

Bereavement Support Group- Our newly formed group which helps the newly bereaved through the shiva and continues to support them for one year after the death of a loved one

CHAI Program- Congregational Help and Information Program- This program provides support and resources including counseling, mortgage information, tax help and vocational services for those in our temple community suffering from the economic downturn

Pulpit Exchange and Interfaith events- with our neighbor St. Bernardines Catholic Church

Birthday Parties at a Homeless Shelter- to help bring joy to residents of a family shelter, volunteers coordinate and attend a party including entertainment, food and gifts