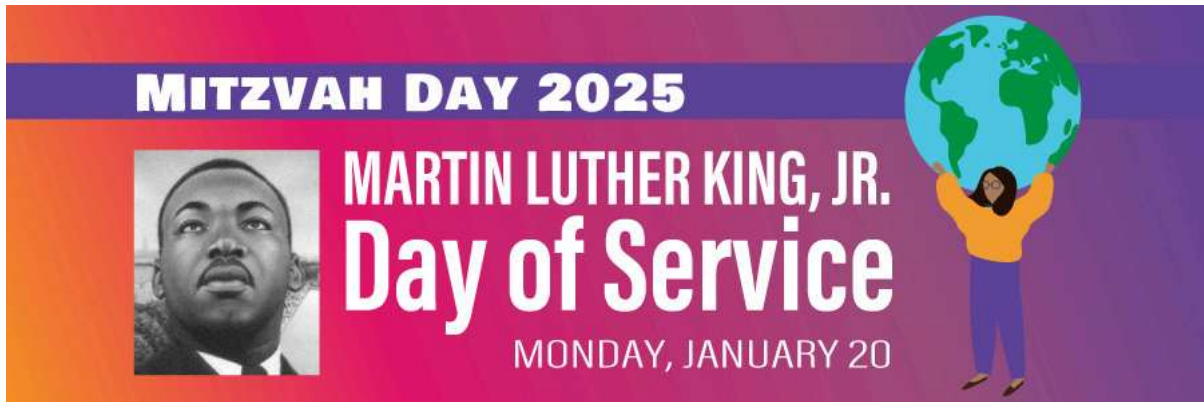




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Over 1,000 Volunteers to Gather for Area-Wide Day of Community Service

Honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through service projects in Palo Alto, East Palo Alto and Beyond



[MEDIA ALERT]—To set up interviews and for more information on covering this event, please contact Marco Esquivel at mesquivel@paloaltojcc.org.

Palo Alto, CA—January 20, 2024—The Oshman Family JCC, Gideon Hausner Jewish Day School and the Los Altos United Methodist Church have partnered to organize an MLK, Jr. Day of Service and Celebration honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Monday, January 20 with volunteer opportunities available on Sunday, January 19.

This event will take place on campus at the Oshman Family JCC and at a number of locations across the Mid-Peninsula including Half Moon Bay and Daly City.

For 17 years, the Oshman Family JCC has been hosting Mitzvah Day on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, highlighting the impactful contributions of various local non-profit organizations and promoting continued community engagement beyond our day of service. “Our MLK, Jr. National Day of Service, Mitzvah Day, is one of our most important

volunteers each year, these two days of service offer something for everyone. This occasion is not only about generosity, it's also about creating the ripple effect of kindness and the empowerment to leave the world a better place than how one found it," says Tamara Thiel Prizant, Director of Family Engagement and the Center for Social Impact at the Oshman Family JCC.

Activities include restoring habitats in Half Moon Bay with California Parks, meal prepping and serving lunch with WeHope in East Palo Alto and making art kits for children on campus at the Oshman Family JCC. Space for activities is filling up quickly as numerous volunteers from throughout the Bay Area are expected to attend.

Registration takes place at <https://www.paloaltojcc.org/mitzvah>

Presenting Partners

Gideon Hausner Jewish Day School and the Los Altos United Methodist Church



Community Partners

Grassroots Ecology, Stanford Blood Drive, El Camino Heath, Jewish Family and Children Services, Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence, JFCS Youth First, Karat School Project, Hidden Villa, Hope's Corner, Project WeHope, California State Parks, Canopy, Town Cats, Path, Family Connections, Tzedek, The Kehillah School, LifeMoves, Blossom Birth & Family

For Calendar Editors

WHAT: The Oshman Family JCC, Gideon Hausner Jewish Day School and the Los Altos United Methodist Church are partnering to organize an MLK Jr. Day of Service and Celebration to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. while providing social action volunteer opportunities to individuals, kids, teens and families as well as a closing celebration in Mitchell Park. Participation is free.

WHEN: Monday, January 20. Sunday, January 19 projects are also available.

WHERE: Campus-wide at Oshman Family JCC, 3921 Fabian Way, Palo Alto and in surrounding locations.

REGISTRATION: Registration is free at <https://www.paloaltojcc.org/mitzvah>

About the Oshman Family JCC

through educational, social, cultural, fitness, sports and other programs. The OFJCC's Center for Social Impact is dedicated to the Jewish principle of helping to heal and repair the world (tikkun olam). Through community-building initiatives and partnerships with local organizations, the Center for Social Impact at the OFJCC creates opportunities for individuals to make an impact and for families to help their children learn the value of acts of kindness and justice. Its volunteer programs address issues of poverty, hunger, homelessness, aging, the environment, disaster relief and more.

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