Shalom Corps: Volunteer Survey (Local Track)

# Introduction

Thank you for your service! Shalom Corps, a world-wide movement of universal Jewish volunteering for a much better world, sponsors Cultivaid. We want to hear what the experience of volunteering with a Jewish organization meant to you so that we can reach more volunteers like you and together, work to heal the world. This 10-minute survey is totally confidential. We are only looking for what volunteers *overall* think about the service they did and what it meant to them.

**Please circle the response that most closely matches your experience.**

*This survey is confidential and voluntary. This survey is managed by a third-party professional services firm, Rosov Consulting, who will safeguard the confidentiality of your response. Rosov Consulting will only share overall findings with our clients, and your name will never be associated with anything you say.*

Please note that the questions in this survey are only about your experience with Cultivaid.

First, a bit about you.

1. **When did you volunteer with Cultivaid most recently (month and year)?**
2. **Do you consider yourself Jewish?**
   1. Yes
   2. No
   3. It’s complicated:
3. **As a result of your experience with us how likely are you to volunteer again with us or another similar opportunity?**
   1. Much less likely
   2. Somewhat less likely
   3. Just as likely
   4. Somewhat more likely
   5. Much more likely
4. **Thinking specifically about your volunteer work during the COVID-19 pandemic, which of the following is true? Please select all that apply.**
   1. I got to know people in my local community I did not know before.
   2. I learned about places or organizations in my community that I was not aware of before.
   3. I was able to form a deep bond with an individual I volunteered with (e.g., a student, an elderly person).
   4. I learned about new opportunities to volunteer in my local community.
   5. I would like to volunteer again around similar issues.
   6. I would like to volunteer again around different issues.
   7. Helping others made it easier for me to deal with my own problems.
   8. Something else:
5. **Please rate how much you agree/disagree with the following statements about your experience of volunteering with Cultivaid…**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | Neither Agree nor Disagree | Somewhat Agree | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| 1. It made me feel good about myself | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. It made me feel a greater connection to my local Jewish community | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. It filled my life with meaning | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. It made me proud as a human being | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. It made me proud to be Jewish | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. I made a real difference in the lives of others | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. I made new friends | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |

1. **Please rate how much you agree/disagree with the following statements. Because of my volunteering experience…**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | Neither Agree nor Disagree | Somewhat Agree | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| 1. Being Jewish is more important to me | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Having Jewish friends is more important to me | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. I feel part of a global movement of volunteers like me | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Learning about Judaism is more important to me | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Learning about Israel is more important to me | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. I am more interested in building a home where Jewish life is important | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |

1. **Compared to before you volunteered with us, how much do you agree with these statements? [Randomized]** [Randomized]

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | I agree much less | I agree less | I agree a little less | My agreement did not change | I agree a little more | I agree more | I agree much more |
| 1. My personal story is part of a larger Jewish story | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Volunteering is my way of expressing my Jewish identity\* | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Israel is among the first to help others in need | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Israel does more good than bad in the world | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Jews always care about others less fortunate than they | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Caring about others is an essential part of being Jewish | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |

1. **Please rate how much you agree/disagree with the following statements. Because I volunteered with Cultivaid I know more about…**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | Neither Agree nor Disagree | Somewhat Agree | Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A, already knew before |
| 1. Where to find Jewish volunteer opportunities | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Organizations in my local Jewish community | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Where to find Jewish programs to get involved in | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| 1. Ways to connect with other Jews | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |

# Awareness

1. **Before today, have you ever heard of “Shalom Corps”?** 
   1. Yes
   2. No
2. **Were you aware that Shalom Corps is supported by the government of Israel and the Jewish agency for Israel?**
   1. Yes
   2. No

# About you

*We want to make sure that our program includes many people who come from many different kinds of backgrounds and people who connect with Judaism in many different ways.*

1. **In what year were you born?**
2. **What is your gender?**
3. Woman
4. Man
5. Non-binary, gender queer, or gender fluid
6. I prefer to self-describe:
7. I prefer not to answer
8. **Do you see yourself as mostly religious or mostly secular?** Put an X in the circle that most closely describes how you see yourself.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Mostly Religious >> | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | << Mostly Secular |

1. **How many of your parents are Jewish?**
2. None of them
3. One of them
4. Both of them
5. **How often would you say you did Jewish things growing up?**
6. Never
7. Rarely
8. Occasionally
9. Often
10. All the time

Thank you for completing this survey!