

Julie Beren Platt Teen Innovation Grants Program

Information Guide 2023-24

- ★ Do you have an exciting idea?
- How might you make a difference on an issue you are passionate about?
- \mathbf{A} How might you impact a community you care about?
- **₩** WE CAN HELP MAKE YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE!

What a Julie Beren Platt Teen Innovation Grant Can Offer You

Funds

This program offers awards up to \$1000 to empower you to play an active role in turning your idea into reality.

Mentorship

You will be paired with a mentor who acts as a thought partner and can offer guidance as you work towards new goals. You will meet with your mentor 2x a month.







The LA Jewish Teen Initiative Support Projects That...

- ★ Are meaningful and exciting to you
- ¥ Embody Jewish values (e.g., caring for those in need)
- \mathbf{x} Need help launching with additional funding and support
- ₩ Will begin to flourish within our six month program timeline
- Would benefit from the support and inspiration of a group of teen innovators

The LA Jewish Teen Initiative Does Not Fund

- → Developing and/or launching phone apps
- Transportation (e.g., gas mileage, ride sharing, flights, etc)
- Requests for personal use items
- → Donations to other 501(c)3.

Application Timeline

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Applications
Open

August 23, 2023

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Applications Close

September 29, 2023

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Interviews with LAJTI Team & Applicants

Sept./Oct. 2023

Announcement of Teen Innovation Grants Cohort 2023-24

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October 2023

Julie Beren Platt Teen Innovation Grants 2023-24 Timeline

All Workshops and Pop-Ups take place in the late afternoon/evening

Orientation for Teens

November 12, 2023 Financial Accountability Teen/Mentor Coffee Meet up

March 10, 2024

TIG Showcase Prep

March 2024

TIG Showcase

May 2024

Expectations of Participating Teens

Funds

- ★ You will be responsible for managing project-related funds.
 - You will need to collect and save receipts for all project-related expenses.
 - You will be responsible for creating and submitting monthly expense reports.
- ★ What are examples of project-related expenses?
 - · Website design, supplies & material, training, and more...



★ Why do you need to save receipts?

As a grant recipient, The Jewish Federation and LAJTI will require verification that all expenses are directly related to the approved project. The receipts are the "backup" confirmation of where and how the grant funds were spent. Additionally, these receipts will confirm the amount of funds potentially unspent, which you will need to return to The Jewish Federation following the end of the program.

Mentorship

¥You will be matched with an adult in the community who will be your mentor.

- The mentor is meant to act as a thought partner. The mentor can offer helpful advice and guidance as you develop your project.
- · You and your mentor will have two scheduled meetings a month.
- It is your responsibility to keep in touch with your mentor, ask for help, and set time aside for meeting.

Am I Eligible?

★ To qualify for a Julie Beren Platt Teen Innovation Grant, you must:

- Currently be in 8th-12th grade.
- · Live in the Greater Los Angeles area.
- The lead teen of each project must identify as Jewish.
- Submit a fully completed application by September 29, 2023