

# Jack Lilley

## BTY

### **Why do you want to be on Regional Board?**

Serving as NFTY-MV's Social Action Vice President is something that I would be honored to do next year. I have a deep love and passion for social justice and taking action, that is what connects me to my Judaism. I have energy and the excitement that I want to share with NFTY on a regional level, so as to boost social action to the next level. I want to serve as regional SAVP because I have a great appreciation leadership and initiative specifically regarding social and there are so many things I want to educate NFTY MV about! This is what I am truly passionate about, and I am so beyond willing to work as hard as I can to make next year amazing in social action!

### **What are your qualifications for the position for which you are running?**

Ever since the beginning of my NFTY career I have participated in leadership positions. As a freshman, I was on BTY's freshman board, and I worked to write programs for our temple's elementary schoolers! I then was the JYG liaison for BTY, and I had a lot of experience running entire events for our middle schoolers. I learned how to be a positive leader with lots of excitement from being a co-ruach chair on regional cabinet. This past I have been BTY's Social Action Vice President along with writing multiple social action programs for Cheverahs! I am signed up to take a boat load of social action based classes, such as politics and problems, and understanding diversity at my school. This past year I took a civil rights class and we got to travel to Memphis and learn all about the movement. I am well equipped with lots of information regarding all of the issues SA works on. Through these experiences, I have gained amazing experience, and I have gained the perfect qualifications to serve as Regional Social Action Vice President.

### **What traits do you possess that would make you an effective regional board member?**

I am a strong leader, and I stand up for what I believe in, this is so important to have in an SA, as that is our entire job! I like to think of myself as charismatic and easy to talk to, which is extremely important in a regional board position. I am a very creative person, so when it comes to solving problems quickly, I do a good job of finding quick effective solutions for issues that arise. Creativity also helps me to be able to come up with extremely fun and unique programs, so as to make for amazing simulation based, and differential thinking programs. I am a studious person, so I will be able to do all of my work effectively and on time! It is really important in a

social action position to be well versed in the issues that we will work on together, so effective change can happen and I take that very seriously

**What have you achieved in positions of leadership in NFTY you're proud of?**

In leadership positions in NFTY I have achieved some things that I am really proud of! I program lead a fantastic simulation program during winter, that really got the message of the point we were trying to make across. I had a guest speaker and an awesome region wide discussion around issues of immigration and refugees in this country. I also am very proud of my achievements around personal growth over the years. I have learned that working together with other people is extremely important. I am proud of the collaborative effort that went into planning a winter Cheverah at Har Hashem, and working on the social action planning committee for several others.

**What are you looking forward to accomplishing for MV?**

I am looking forward to accomplishing the most action based social action year of my NFTY career! There is no point in having social action if we don't take action. I intend to have rallies planned at chaverahs, along with drives and volunteer work for whatever causes we as a region agree upon. I want to incorporate as many people into planning amazing programs as possible, and have them be mostly simulation and discussion based. I think these are the ways that people learn the most about pressing issues. I want to have a vegetarian meal at every event so we can work together to reduce the carbon imprint we are making on this earth, and I would love to continue Social action news letters and discussion calls. There is so much that I want to accomplish next year, and it doesn't take into account what may be happening in the world next year. I plan on having speakers come and speak about pressing issues that may take place next year, as those are what needs to be changed.