

DETROIT VOLUNTEER IN ISRAEL MISSION

PROJECTED ITINERARY

The following is our projected program itinerary – subject to some change based on the most updated volunteering needs and other programmatic considerations.

DAY #1 | MONDAY

- VIP airport greetings and transfer to our hotel in Tel Aviv
- Included for all travelers arriving between 6:00am and 5:35pm
Guaranteed hotel check-in is available starting at 3:00pm (luggage can be stored earlier)
- Orientation with our staff team and welcome dinner
- Evening: Situational update with **geo-political analyst**

OVERNIGHT: TEL AVIV

Meals Included: Dinner

DAY #2 | TUESDAY

- Breakfast is served at the hotel
- Travel to the Gaza border region
- Volunteer Project – **Make sandwiches for soldiers** serving in the region at Shuva Junction
- Bear witness to the devastation of October 7th, including visits to the besieged border region city of **Sderot** and the site of the **Nova Music Festival massacre**
- Take in the scale of the destruction at the **Takuma “car grave”**
- Return to Tel Aviv – Processing session followed by a free evening and dinner on your own

OVERNIGHT: TEL AVIV

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

DAY #3 | WEDNESDAY

- Breakfast is served at the hotel
- View the **“Wall of Hope” street murals** in Tel Aviv’s Florentin neighborhood and visit **Hostage Square** to experience where the center of the movement was to Bring Them Home

- Volunteering – Sort and package produce at **Leket Israel** – Israel's national foodbank
- Travel to the Galilee to visit Detroit's Partnership 2Gether sister region
- Dinner and introduction to our community partnership

OVERNIGHT: GALILEE

Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY #4 | THURSDAY

- Breakfast is served at the hotel
- A day of **volunteering and cross-cultural encounters** in our Galilee partnership community
Lunch is included in the region
- Travel to Jerusalem in the late afternoon – check-in to our hotel and enjoy a free evening

OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

DAY #5 | FRIDAY

- Breakfast is served at the hotel
- Volunteer: **Harvest produce that would otherwise go to waste** due to post-October 7th workforce shortages in Israel
- Return to Jerusalem, breaking for lunch on your own along the way
- Prepare for our Shabbat of Resilience together as a community
- **Kabbalat Shabbat at the Western Wall** followed by Shabbat dinner at our hotel

OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM

Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY #6 | SATURDAY

- Breakfast and Shabbat lunch are served at the hotel
- Afternoon: Guided **off-the-beaten-path walking tour of Jerusalem** neighborhoods in the Old City
- Evening: Free evening and dinner on your own in downtown Jerusalem

OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

DAY #7 | SUNDAY

- Breakfast is served at the hotel
- **Volunteer at Tachlit** in support of Israelis in need of support
- Lunch on your own at **Mahane Yehuda marketplace**
- Visit the **Achim L'Chayim** (Brothers for Life) Center to learn how Israeli society cares for its wounded soldiers
- Evening: **Wrap-up session and closing dinner** together at a local restaurant
- A transfer is provided to Ben Gurion Airport in time for flights departing between 11pm-1am
Travelers returning to Jerusalem will also be accommodated with a transfer

Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner