

National Young Leadership Cabinet

The Jewish Federations of North America's National Young Leadership Cabinet ("Cabinet") is ...

The premier leadership development program of the Jewish philanthropic community. Cabinet educates, connects, and inspires emerging local, national, and global Jewish leaders and philanthropists over a five-year experience. Since its founding in 1963, Cabinet has successfully developed individuals who lead at the highest levels of Jewish communal life. Grounded in Jewish values, Cabinet engages highly dedicated individuals who embody the values of humility, authenticity, and integrity.

Cabinet Members are passionate individuals of all backgrounds who are committed to supporting and serving the global Jewish community. They exemplify effective leadership within their local Jewish Federations. Cabinet members further develop their:

Leadership: via hands-on leadership opportunities, training, learning from Jewish Federations professionals, facilitators, and Senior Volunteer Leaders.

Philanthropic impact: a minimum gift of \$5,000 to their local community's Annual Campaign in their first year, and meaningful increases thereafter.

Commitment to Jewish community by participating in and contributing to Cabinet's experiences and opportunities.

New Members apply between the ages of 30-40 years old (with rare exceptions) and are required to attend Cabinet Retreat to start their experience. They will connect with their class and hundreds of Cabinet members from across the North American Jewish community, learn how the Federation and its key partner agencies work to help Jewish life flourish and thrive in North America, in Israel, and globally.

The Cabinet Experience builds a uniquely engaged and connected community through key events and programming:

Cabinet Retreat: Cabinet's signature event is a multi-day learning and development experience, showcasing the Federation's work, the collective impact of Cabinet's members and their philanthropy during Campaign Day.

International Study Mission: a first-hand experience of the international and humanitarian work done by Federation and its partners.

New members will join the "First Year Israel Experience" to launch their learning of Federations impact overseas, with future opportunities to join Cabinet's annual International Study Mission their second – fifth years on Cabinet.

Cabinet members have visited nearly every corner of the globe, including recent locations such as Argentina, Azerbaijan, Latvia, Hungary, and the spring 2026 Mission will be to Greece.

Domestic Experiences: Cabinet members step up and join core Jewish Federations events, including Federal Advocacy Fly-Ins, The General Assembly, The International Lions of Judah Conference, and more.

Local Cabinet Experiences: Cabinet members continue to step up and lead in their local Federations, while participating in experiences with their community's Cabinet cohort in events such as Shabbat Across Cabinet, Sukkot Across Cabinet, and Cabinet Day of Service.

Online Learning and Connection: opportunities to participate in virtual learning throughout the year building on the in-person experiences.

