

Repair the World Alternative Breaks

Repair the World: Miami



Repair the World is excited to welcome you to participate in an Alternative Break! Alternative Breaks offer participants a unique opportunity to immerse themselves in Jewish service-learning. Through these trips, participants get hands-on service experience and learn how Judaism can offer a framework for repairing the world.

Repair the World is offering Alternative Breaks in **Baltimore, Detroit, Miami, New York, and Pittsburgh**. These are organized experiences, with deep support from Repair the World Fellows.

What we provide:

- Well-designed, meaningful service projects, with the opportunity to serve alongside Repair the World Fellows on their long-term projects
- Close collaboration with fellows on Jewish service-learning pieces of the AB. The educational program will be customized based on the group's needs. For example, fellows could lead sessions, help arrange for local speakers and more.
- Referrals for local logistics (housing, food, transportation)
- Repair the World swag
- Each AB participant is required to complete and sign the Repair the World Alternative Break Release and Waiver of Liability.

What we don't provide:

- Arranging for travel to city
- Arranging for local logistics. **Groups are responsible for their own housing but should check in with the local city director prior to booking** to confirm that the location is appropriate from a logistical and safety perspective.

Dates: Anytime in March, April or May. We're open to other times of the year, as there is interest.

Group Size:

Minimum of 8 (including staff), maximum 20. We are open to larger groups, but that would take special coordination.

Cost:

- For AB's with up to 15 participants, a flat fee of \$1,200 for a 5 day program (non-refundable if the group cancels).
- For AB's with more than 12 participants, \$50 extra per-participant (excluding staff).
- If you are a Hillel group, you are eligible to apply for microgrant to reduce costs and reduced programming fee of \$100/day.

Questions about hosting an AB in RTW Miami? [Contact Janu Mendel, Executive Director, at janu.mendel@wepair.org.](mailto:janu.mendel@wepair.org)

Repair the World Philly Alternative Break

Local Information



What is Repair The World?

Repair the World works to inspire American Jews and their communities to give their time and effort to serve those in need. We aim to make service a defining part of American Jewish life.

Repair the World Philadelphia launched in 2013 to tackle pressing local needs by mobilizing communities to volunteer. We enable people to transform their neighborhoods, city and lives through meaningful service experiences, rooted in Jewish values, history and heritage. Our team of eight full time fellows partners with organizations across Philadelphia to recruit and train the volunteers needed to address education and food justice needs in in the city. Repair the World's collaborative community workshop space at 4029 Market St is a hub for service and social justice initiatives. Learn more about us on our [website](#) or on [Facebook](#).

Our Location:

The Repair the World Workshop is located in West Philly at 4029 Market St. West Philly starts at 30th Street in an area called University City (home to Drexel University and the University of Pennsylvania). One reason to love West Philly is the diversity of cultures and backgrounds: immigrants from North Africa and the West Indies, young families, Jews, Muslims, Christians, and Buddhists. There is a beautiful sense of shared culture in the delicious restaurants, community spaces and parks, and murals throughout the neighborhood.

Housing:

See below for 2 reasonably priced hotels that are proximal to the Repair the World Workshop. With 4 people to a room, the cost per night is around \$50 per participant.

15 min walk: [Trumbull and Porter](#)

10 min drive: [Double Tree](#) (Downtown)

There are many other hotels proximal to West Philly with varying rates.

Some groups choose to rent housing through Airbnb. The RTW staff would be happy to review and advise on any housing that you are considering. Please have a member of the RTW staff review the location prior to booking.

It is also important to consider transportation. Even though a site is not too far from our workshop, it doesn't mean that it is convenient to get to by public transportation. Detroit does not have a reliable bus system, so groups must depend driving participants. Again, we are happy to consult with you.

Budgeting:

Travel	Varies by Location
Housing	\$50pp per day
Food	Groceries for breakfast and \$10pp per meal
Transportation	Varies by location: cost of fuel/car rental/ flight/etc.
Education/Entertainment	Varies by Activity (e.g.)
Repair the World Fee	\$500 for the first 12 participants, plus \$50 per additional participant

Dress Code

In Schools/working with children

- Long pants
- Closed toed shoes
- T-shirts or sweaters (no shoulders or chest showing, no tank tops)
- No ripped/distressed pants

On Farms

- Closed toed shoes
- Clothes you don't mind getting a little dirty

With Jewish Partners (during Rabbinical learning, at Shabbat Services, etc.)

- Modest dress
- No knees showing for men or women
- Men - polo, button down, or nice shirt with no logos on it
- Women - tops that cover chest and shoulders

In Soup Kitchens and food pantries

- Closed toed shoes
- Clothes you don't mind getting a little dirty
- T-shirts or sweaters (no shoulders or chest showing, no tank tops)
- Pants or modest shorts

Tips and Tricks for Getting Around Miami

- Always carry a photo ID, it is illegal to not have one on you.
- Google Maps is a great tool to help you navigate the city.
- Be mindful of leaving valuables inside your vehicle. Always lock all doors.
- Get fuel for your vehicle during daylight hours.

Alternative Break Sample Itinerary

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Introduction to Repair the World's Work		
9:00 - 10:00 am	Introduction	Introduction to Repair the World and issues of food injustice in Detroit.
10:30 - 12:00 pm	Volunteer Farming	Farming at Keep Growing Detroit's Plum Street Garden (hub of the Garden Resource Program).
12:00 - 2:00 pm	Lunch & Travel Time	Discuss food justice in Detroit's education landscape.
2:00 - 3:30 pm	Volunteering at Brilliant Detroit	Education Justice Volunteering.
3:30 - 5:00 pm	Coffee & Afternoon Snacks	Have coffee and afternoon snacks at Detroit Institute of Arts, Kresge Court. Meet local activist Bill Wylie-Kellerman to discuss the Diego Rivera Industry murals and their connection to Detroit's history.
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Debrief	Debrief and guided reflection