



## Aboriginal Partnership Programs

### Volunteer Opportunity Information

- First-time volunteers are invited to apply for the Derech Eretz (Youth) program, while Alumni (returning volunteers) can apply for our Connections (Teens) or Leadership Retreat (Young Adult) programs.
- There is a fee attached to these volunteering experiences to assist with the cost of transport and food. Flights (if required) are at your own additional expense.

### Derech Eretz (Youth) program - new volunteers welcome

Description	When	Where	Commitment	Volunteer role
The program takes Jewish young adults on two 10-day trips each year to Toomelah and Boggabilla, on the NSW/QLD border, to run school holiday programs for the kids.	January and July school holidays	Toomelah and Boggabilla	10 days	Volunteers will generally spend half of each day with the kids in either Toomelah or Boggabilla (two nearby communities). You will also have opportunities to hear from local community members, Elders and local service providers. You will take part in educational programs to expand your understanding of historical and current affairs impacting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and there will be a guided debrief each day. You will be supported by experienced leaders.

### Connections (Teens) program - Alumni only

Description	When	Where	Commitment	Volunteer role
Support leadership and personal development programs for young people from the the communities of Toomelah and Boggabilla.	April school holidays	Toomelah and Boggabilla	7 days	You'll design and run programs for teens from Toomelah and Boggabilla with a focus on respect, self esteem and the importance of community. Teens will have the opportunity to engage in fun and stimulating activities with positive role models and will be supported to build their self confidence and leadership skills.

				Each morning will be much like the Derech Eretz program, running games for the kids. In the afternoon, you will run more structured programs for the teens.
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### Leadership Retreat (Young Adults) program - Alumni only

Description	When	Where	Commitment	Volunteer role
Be a mentor and friend for young adults (16 to 21 years old) on this leadership and personal development retreat for young leaders from the communities of Toomelah and Boggabilla.	January school holidays	Sydney	7 - 10 days	As a volunteer on this program, you will be paired with a young adult as their mentor. You will support them through the program and maintain ongoing contact with them through Facebook after the program ends. On the program, you will work with the group to provide a safe space that supports and work on team building and mentorship. You will then provide support for the young adults as they engage in work experience in an area of their choosing.