



Heart to Heart Educational Facilitator

Heart to Heart was founded in 2011 as a partnership between the Givat Haviva Education Institute in Israel and Hashomer Hatzair/Camp Shomria in Canada. Givat Haviva is an Israeli non-profit organization dedicated to promoting mutual responsibility, civic equality, and cooperation among divided groups in Israel. Givat Haviva ensures parity between Palestinian and Jewish Israelis in its leadership, and was awarded the UNESCO Prize for Peace Education in 2001.

The Heart to Heart program brings a group of twenty Israeli teenagers to Canada every summer. Half of our participants identify as Palestinian Israeli, and half as Jewish Israeli. Upon arriving in Canada, the group spends three weeks living together at Camp Shomria, an overnight summer camp near Ottawa. Daily activities include team-building workshops, camping trips, and facilitated dialogue about the narratives, politics, and power dynamics that participants face in their daily lives at home. The group also visits Parliament Hill in Ottawa, and spends four days living with Canadian host families while touring Toronto. The time spent in Canada is a focal point for the group that is complemented by workshops for participants at the Givat Haviva campus and in their respective communities.

Position: Educational Facilitator/Camp Counsellor

Full Time Contract: June 29 – July 27, 2017, part-time preparations prior to the program

Compensation: \$1500, in addition to room and board for duration of full time contract

Main Responsibilities:

- Working with the Heart to Heart Program Coordinator/s and Educational Subcommittee to prepare a curriculum that you are confident in carrying out prior to the program
 - Participating in two experiential education training sessions prior to the program
 - Working as a team with your co-facilitator, the Program Coordinator/s, the Jewish and Palestinian Israeli chaperones and other relevant staff to ensure the success of the program while the group is in Canada. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - The facilitation of a minimum of two educational activities per day
 - The facilitation of additional discussions and activities, as needed in order to help participants work through issues that may arise
 - Acting as an authority figure and guide to participants at all times
 - Assuming responsibility for the wellbeing of participants at all times
 - Participating in all camp programming as needed
 - Creating a safe, fun and challenging space for participants to grow
 - Participating in a debriefing meeting with the Program Coordinator/s after the contract end date
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Required Skills and Experience:

- Extensive experience working with youth aged 14-16
- Considerable knowledge about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, including knowledge of both Palestinian and Jewish historical narratives
- Ability to facilitate difficult conversations and manage interpersonal conflict
- Strong, active listening skills
- Proficiency in either/both Hebrew or Arabic preferred
- Experience in developing and facilitating educational programming preferred

Personal Qualities:

- Strong interpersonal and leadership skills
- Willingness to work in a team
- Passion for working with youth
- Willingness to have hard conversations and go above and beyond the responsibilities listed above
- Ability to handle high-stress situations well
- Show flexibility in facilitating a diversity of activities, from camp activities to difficult conversations
- Ability to relate with empathy to youth participants

To Apply:

Please e-mail your resume, contact information for two references and a cover letter outlining how your skills and experiences make you an ideal candidate for this position to Jenny Isaacs, Director of Heart to Heart, at **jenny@heart-to-heart.ca**. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.