URJ ETHICS ACCOUNTABILITY TASK FORCE

The Task Force is charged with responsibility for oversight of the work to foster a culture of protection, accountability, responsibility, and safety in URJ work and program spaces. This includes implementation of the recommendations in the Ethics Report and collaborating with Movement partners to foster the same culture within all Reform Movement spaces.

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Work Teams have been formed under the auspices of the Task Force to focus on particular areas of work and activity. Important perspectives and experiences are reflected among the members of the work teams, including victim/survivors, clergy, congregational professionals, URJ North American Board members and other lay leaders, and individuals with varying experiences within the Movement. Although the teams have begun their work, we anticipate adding additional members during the next few weeks.

CONGREGATIONS WORK TEAM

This team focuses on supporting congregations to foster a culture of accountability, respect and safety within congregations, including but not limited to development and adoption of congregation ethics codes.
CONGREGATIONS

Steve Weitz, Team Lead
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Len Bates
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LAY LEADER EDUCATION/TRAINING/EXPECTATIONS WORK TEAM

This work team focus on educating and training the many cohorts of volunteers and lay leaders within the URJ, to enable them to fulfill their roles in fostering a culture of accountability, responsibility, and safety.

NAB/LAY LEADER TRAINING

Blair Marks, Team Lead
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Mark Anshan
Marjorie Baron
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Michael Freidman
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Ziva Raney
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RESTORATIVE PROCESSES WORK TEAM

This team focuses on identifying, recommending, and overseeing the implementation of restorative and healing processes for victim/survivors, and includes t’shuvah.

RESTORATIVE PROCESSES

Robin Kosberg, Team Lead
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Rabbi Julie Zupan, Staff T’shuvah Team Lead

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