



SAR-EL

VOLUNTEERS
FOR ISRAEL

Who volunteers?

Students

Retirees

Working people

Jews

Christians

Non-religious

Volunteers come from
all over the world



What do volunteers do?

Refurbish
equipment

Arrange gear

Pack field meals

Sort uniforms

Organize
medical supplies

Help with repairs
on the base









What is SAR-EL's purpose?

Enable meaningful contributions for Diaspora Jews, immigrants, and friends of Israel



What is SAR-EL's purpose?

Enable connections with
Israel and its people

Inspire and build a new
generation of volunteers



What is SAR-EL's purpose?

Contribute to the security of Israel by providing quality logistical support on an army base



SAR-EL History

Lebanon War (1982): The majority of farmers were called up for army reserve duty

Ripened crops were unattended, Golan Heights farmers were about to lose their agricultural crops

Dr. Aharon Davidi (z"l), founder of the IDF paratrooper brigade, sent a recruitment team to the USA



SAR-EL History

Dr. Davidi's team quickly recruited 650 volunteers

In 1983, SAR-EL was founded as a non-profit organization



SAR-EL History

Over the years, volunteers from other countries began to participate

To date, SAR-EL is represented in over 30 countries

By 2020, over 240,000 volunteers had worked on over 40 bases



At the airport



Your experience begins when you meet your fellow volunteers at the airport, are organized into groups, and meet your madrich/a

Getting to your base

From the airport,
you are transported
to your base

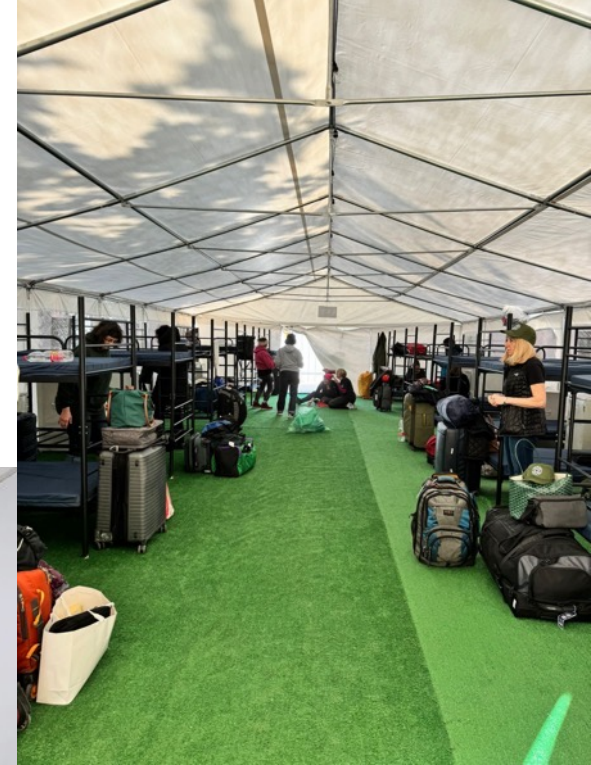
At your base, you
are assigned
quarters and issued
work uniforms



Quarters

Volunteers live under the same conditions as the soldiers:

- Generally, in army barracks
- On occasion, in large tents
- Men and women are quartered separately



Uniforms

Volunteers wear army uniforms while on base

In cold weather, warm jackets are provided

Volunteers bring their own work shoes



Enjoy 3 kosher meals a day

Lunch, a meat meal, is the main meal of the day (vegetarian options)

Breakfast is simple: bread, jam, yogurt, humus, egg, Israeli salad, tea, coffee

Dinner is dairy (non-dairy options)



Evening activities

Generally, an interesting talk by your group's madricha

But it could be ... a yoga class organized and taught by a volunteer



Evening activities

3 troop commanders outlining patrol work and giving their October 7 stories



Weekends

Thursday
afternoon
to Sunday
morning is
spent off
the base



Weekends



Weekends



Typical daily schedule

Breakfast	0700 - 0800
Flag raising	0800 - 0815
Group meeting	0815 - 0830
Work	0830 - 1200
Lunch	1200 - 1300
Work	1300 - 1630
Dinner	1800 - 1900
Evening activity	1900 - 2000



Program Options

1 to 3-week programs for all ages
(min. 17 years or min. 16 years if accompanied by a parent)

First Aid Training - Include intensive first aid training in your Sar-El visit, in collaboration with Magen David Adom

Add-on to Taglit-Birthright program - Participants can extend their trip and volunteer with SAR-EL

All applications go to SAR-EL
through the *Canada* web site



Your Costs

Airfare

Weekend expenses

SAR-EL Canada application fee:

- C\$100 adult
- C\$50 student

SAR-EL (Israel) fee:

- USD \$120 first week
- USD \$60 each added week



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Why SAR-EL?

Support Israel

Work with Israelis, discover the Israel that tourists rarely see

Form friendships with people who share your love for Israel





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