



AIAC and Young Israel Join in Call for US Students Planning on Studying in Israel to Register to Vote and Receive Absentee Ballot for Presidential Election

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The American Israeli Action Coalition (AIAC), an Israeli non-profit organization founded to activate the 250,000 US citizens in Israel to speak out on joint American/Israeli concerns, joined the Worldwide Young Israel Movement in calling on all US students who plan to be in Israel during the upcoming US Presidential Election to register to vote and apply for an absentee ballot.

“Over 7,000 young men and women from the United States will spend this coming academic year in Israel” said Shlomo Z. Mostofsky, President of the National Council of Young Israel. “It is incumbent upon them to exercise their rights as US citizens to play an active role in the US election by registering to vote and receiving an absentee ballot.”

Harvey Schwartz, Chairman of the Israeli-based AIAC, added that “We would like our visiting American students to serve as an example to the more than 100,000 eligible American-Israeli voters to play a significant role in an election that will have a considerable impact on the future of Israel, the United States, and the world.”

Young Israel is planning to contact its 150 synagogues in the United States (and other congregations) to ensure that rabbis and lay leaders include the appeal to register to vote in their respective sermons and synagogue communiqués. AIAC has started a recruitment campaign to have American Israelis register online to receive absentee ballots for the November election.

AIAC is devoted to effectively recruiting and activating the more than 250,000 expatriate American citizens in Israel in order to create a united voice that will be heard by the governments and people of the United States and Israel on issues that pertain to the continued safety and security of Israel and the Jewish people worldwide.

The National Council of Young Israel (NCYI), founded in 1912, has grown into an Orthodox movement with over 150 synagogue branches in the United States and Canada and over 60 synagogue branches in Israel. NCYI is a central agency, which provides religious, educational, Zionist, social and communal programming for all Young Israel synagogues and their 25,000 affiliated families. With dynamism and dedication, NCYI continues to concentrate on the needs of its branches, Klal Yisrael and Eretz Israel.

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