

• **AUGUST 24-26: Keshet Summertime Shabbaton. If you're Jewish, LGBTQ, and in grades 8-12, Registration is now open for the Keshet Summertime Shabbaton!**

Registration costs \$54; Keshet is proud to offer travel scholarship money to ensure that we can bring as many teens as possible to our Shabbaton. [You can click here to learn more and register.](#) Summertime Shabbaton is just a month away!

• **IS EVERY ELIGIBLE VOTER IN YOUR FAMILY REGISTERED TO VOTE?**

For example, if your college-age child has not yet registered to vote, a registration form can be downloaded [here](#). Both pages of the form should be filled out and mailed to The Nassau County Board of Elections, 240 Old Country Rd., 5th Fl., Mineola, NY 11501.

You'll notice that Item #15 asks if an Absentee Ballot is needed. There's no need to check that box, since you can just download the Application for an Absentee Ballot when you're on the website to obtain registration materials.

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At least 30 days before the election, an absentee ballot will be sent to your child. Many college kids do not normally have the stamp and envelope needed to mail back the ballot; we would be happy to provide them. **If you send your child's name and school address to Social Action Committee member Roberta Handler ([rjh3@optonline.net](mailto:rjh3@optonline.net)), we will send a stamp, an envelope, and a reminder to vote about a month before the election.**

Would they rather vote in their college town? [Here's](#) a complete guide to voting on campus!

## **IMMIGRANT FAMILIES: HOW TO HELP**

-The **JCC Manhattan** offers the following suggestions:

[RAICES](#) (the largest immigration nonprofit in Texas)--right now their website is overwhelmed but there are direct working links to their two main fundraising drives:

[LEAF Project](#) (Legal Representation, Education, and Advocacy) which provides legal representation to unaccompanied minors (and those reclassified as unaccompanied after being separated from their parents at the border); and

[#FREEourfamilies Family Reunification Bond Fund](#), which provides funds to pay for detainees' bonds (which start at \$1500 a person) so that they can be reunited quickly with their families.

### **Donate or Purchase Items**

Please purchase the following items from [Amazon](#), [Zappos](#), or other online vendors of your choice and have them sent directly to:

**Temple Emanuel**

**Rabbi Claudio Kogan**

**4300 North Chai Street**

**McAllen, TX 78504**

-Disposable diapers--all sizes

-Men's shoe sizes 7 + 8

-Women's shoe sizes 5, 6, + 7

-Bras 32B, 34B, + 36B

-[slate.com](#), “**Here’s How You Can Help Fight Family Separation at the Border**” provides another long list of groups worthy of support with daily updates. Slate notes that ActBlue has aggregated many of these groups under a single button (ActBlue LLC, Support Kids at the Border), which alleviates the stress of having to make a choice.

-Immigrant families are in danger of being torn apart every day in the United States — and not just at the border. For those seeking asylum because of persecution in their home countries, having an attorney can mean the difference between life and death. **If you're an attorney, law student, or fluent in English and another language, [please consider volunteering with the Southeast Immigrant Freedom Initiative](#).** Just one week of your time could help save a life.