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J Teen's Trip to Houston was very enlightening and inspiring. My favorite parts were working at the Montessori school, visiting the Baptist church and attending the fair they held there. The first day when we went to the Montessori Hebrew School I was so happy to help and participate with the children in the classroom. I really enjoyed spending time with them and learning new Hebrew songs. The experience was meaningful because the flood victim's stories were so empowering and it was amazing to see how much courage and support the Houston community provided for one another. It felt good to see how much they appreciated our help and to see the smiles on their faces. Another part of the trip, which touched my heart, was attending the Baptist church on Sunday. I always love how J teen attends a Baptist Church on Sunday during our service trips. This church in particular was by far the most amazing because the music was incredible and it was a very moving experience listening to a pastor who actually met Martin Luther King. My overall favorite part of the trip was helping the homeless at the church the next day. I loved how I got the chance to participate in Dress for Success. It made my entire week because I got to see how thankful everyone was when he or she received clothes, shoes and jewelry. In fact, I even got a chance to work with a woman who suffered from HIV and when she received her clothes, she started to cry because she was so grateful. This moment was incredibly meaningful for me because I felt that I was making a true difference in someone's life. I was able to transform women into more confident individuals. Overall, this trip was truly inspiring and I am so glad that I was apart of such a wonderful experience.