



JELANI GIRLS & JELANI WOMEN FAQ

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What is Jelani Girls?

Jelani Girls, Inc. is an American nonprofit for girls ages 14-18, who participate in a virtual Cultural Enrichment Program (CEP) throughout the school year that prepares them for international travel. Each summer, Jelani Girls who successfully complete the CEP will get to participate in our Cultural Immersion Trip to experience firsthand the native customs and traditions they have studied and complete their international youth service project. [Learn more.](#)

How do I become a Jelani Girl for 2017-18?

Complete the [2017 Application and Written Submissions](#) (Ends November 1, 2017)

What is the cost associated with being a Jelani Girl?

The cost for participation in Jelani Girls Cultural Enrichment Program which includes program materials, meeting space/facilitation, passport, visa entry and exit fees, medical travel counseling and vaccine, meals, snacks, drinks, international and domestic roundtrip airfare, taxes, gratuities, administrative fees, secure lodging, tours and activities, ground transportation, Jelani Girls paraphernalia, insurance, traveling chaperone, service project supplies and international peer exchange events is \$5,000.00. Scholarships are awarded based on need and given on a first come first serve basis.

What happens if a Jelani Girl is unable to raise the minimum funds needed?

If a Jelani Girl is unable to raise the minimum funds needed, the funds accumulated will be allocated toward her participation in the next cultural enrichment program that she will continue to fundraise for.

How can men and women support Jelani Girls?

For Women Only

- [Jelani Women Membership](#) | [Jelani Women Service Trips](#)

For Everyone

- [Single Donation or Join the DREAM Team \(monthly donor\)](#)
- [Sponsorship](#)
- [Join the Jelani Girls Board of Directors](#)
- Talk about us! Directing people to our social media @JelaniGirls, websites JelaniGirls.org, JelaniWomen.org, add them to our [Jelani Women facebook group](#), and share our [press kit and media coverage](#)

What is Jelani Women?

Jelani Women is the largest fundraiser for our charity Jelani Girls, Inc. where women can make a huge difference in the lives of underserved girls simply by participation in Jelani Women international service trips **and/or** becoming members through financial contributions. We are currently represented across almost 20 states in the USA and have previously traveled to Honduras, South Africa, Kenya, Trinidad and Tobago.

How does Jelani Women support Jelani Girls?

Jelani Women support Jelani Girls, Inc. international cultural enrichment program through 100% of the membership fee and the 20% of proceeds of our international service trips.



What is Jelani Women membership?

It's simply a way to be a champion for underserved girls to participate in our international cultural enrichment program and youth service project by either a one time donation of \$1,000 or monthly donations as low as \$28 until you reach the \$1,000 pledge.

Can a member of Jelani Women support Jelani Girls more than the financial commitment?

Yes, there are also opportunities to mentor [Jelani Girls](#) across the USA as well as opportunities for you to become a committee member or [Board Member](#).

Do I have to be a member of Jelani Women to participate in the service trip?

No, membership is a more direct way to support our charity Jelani Girls and is 100% tax deductible but participating in a service trip also supports Jelani Girls while giving you an experience of a lifetime!
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Is there a discount for members of Jelani Women who participate in a service trip?

Yes, up to \$300.00 discount off of one Jelani Women trip. This discount does not expire.

Are men allowed on the service trips? Can I travel with my male partner?

Not on open Jelani Women service trips however accommodations can be made with private service trips.

Do Jelani Girls travel with Jelani Women service trips?

No. Jelani Women trips are for professional women who want to soar serve and socialize with other like-minded women and serve as a fundraiser for Jelani Girls to have a similar cultural experience of their own with curriculum and programming designed specifically for their age. However group mother-daughter service trips can be arranged privately.

How does the cost of the service trip impact the public charity, Jelani Girls?

Proceeds from Jelani Women service trips support Jelani Girls operating budget whereas 100% of Jelani Women membership fees go directly to scholarships for girls who have financial hardship

How much of the service trip is tax deductible?

It varies on the magnitude of the service project and amount of participants on the service project with an average tax deduction of \$250.00

Can I curate my own private service trip?

Yes with a minimum of 6 people. In fact, with 9 others to accompany you, you can travel for free!

How much of the trip is service based and what does the service entail?

One day out of the 7-10 day trip, depending on the locale, is dedicated to serving youth in an impoverished community where we focus on programming and aid based on the needs of that particular group and the set of skills and passions the women traveling want to contribute.

Are flights included in the cost of the service trip?

No, but we will assist you with booking if requested. Flights can be included for the cost of private trips.

How will I be prepared for my next Jelani Women service trip?

Each trip will have a private Facebook group, conference call, frequent email correspondence and detailed FAQs to support the participants in preparation.

For more information, contact us at info@jelaniwomen.org or call 646.403.4804