

Kenesset Israel Torah Center Kitchen and Sponsorship Policies

To Sponsor a Kiddush:

Contact our Kiddush Coordinator, Simone Clay, at kiddush@kitcsacramento.org to make a reservation for sponsorship. She will advise on prices and catering options. Notice should be given at the time of reservation if the Kiddush will be dairy or meat. Sponsored dates are entered on the calendar and submitted to the KITC weekly eblast. The Kiddush Coordinator, the sponsor, or another volunteer, will oversee food prep and presentation of kiddush food items on the day of sponsorship. Leftovers from a sponsored kiddush belong to the sponsor and can be brought home or donated to KI. Specific food or paper supply requests can be placed with our buyer Janice Wheeler, at (916) 849-1059.

Kashrut:

A list of approved hechshers is posted in the kitchen. You can also reference:

<https://kosherquest.org/kosher-symbols/>

Appliances, light switches, urns, garbage disposal, and hot water faucets are not to be turned on during Shabbat or Holidays.

All food is to be prepared on site, or by approved caterers listed below:

Albert Einstein Residence Center (supervised by Rabbi Orel David) (916) 972-7555

Gilah's Kosher Catering (supervised by Rabbi Cohen of Chabad) (916) 640-7770

Food Storage and Donation:

Appropriately hechshered food donations to the kitchen for kiddush and other events are welcome. Kiddush supplies are reserved for kiddush in the locked Kiddush Cabinet.

Donated items are stored separately. ***No food may be prepared at home and brought to KI for consumption.*** Members wishing to prepare food in the KITC kitchen must have Rabbi

Rubin's approval and supervision. Food provided by members to be used for a kiddush or holiday meal should be labeled clearly. Please notify Rabbi Rubin when food items are donated or bought. Leave food items on the center island (or arrange for a refrigerated location) until they have been reviewed and approved by the Rabbi.

COVID Food Service Protocol:

Hands must be washed prior to and masks worn during preparation. Buffet items must be presented in single serve format or served by an individual with mask and gloves. Hand sanitizer must be made available at the buffet as an alternative to having a server. Masks must be always worn at the buffet table and when not eating or drinking.

Clean Up:

Cleanup after kiddush is done by the sponsoring member and other volunteers.

On Shabbat, dishes and utensils are to be washed in cold water, dried, and put aside for a warm water wash after Shabbat, if needed. On other days, dishes and utensils must be washed thoroughly in warm water by volunteers and put away in their proper places.

Surfaces are to be wiped with a cleansing solution and allowed to air dry.

No dishes, food or equipment are to be left out. Trash and recycling should be emptied. Leftover prepared food brought by another member can be taken home, given away, or thrown out only with that members' permission.

Towels should remain in the kitchen and hung on the hamper if wet.