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Everyone starts BBYO with a journey that is completely unique from that of their peers, all having different outcomes. Whether you are someone who enjoys summer experiences, weekly programs, regional conventions or anything in between, we all do it for a purpose. The enjoyment of having a Jewish community around us that is so inspiring.

Technology is something that has been granted to our generation, so why not use it to our advantage! We can use technology to connect teens from all over the world by using new platforms, such as BBYO on Demand! Getting in touch with our sister city, Zaparozhiha, Ukraine, will open up teens' perspectives on globalization, inspiring them to become more involved and educated. Chapter Gizborim will be able to schedule calls with teens from AJT and do interactive activities like cooking food, learning about cultures, and get to know each other all over 'face' calls. Another way to use technology for the betterment of our council is by making a shuk website. By working with the Council Mazkirah and Safranit to design a website it will make it easy for teens to navigate the shuk catalog. The Safranit will help design the new website so that it looks sophisticated and is easy to use. The Mazkirah will also collaborate in order to advertise the website so that we will be able to get the word out.

To make different aspects of globalization successful it is important to understand how varying chapters function. Learning the functionality will make ideas and plans more successful if accustomed to the chapter level. For example, I will talk to chapter Gizborim of larger chapters and challenge them to hold big fundraisers. I will do the same with smaller chapters to see how to expand and get the most people possible to interact and take leadership roles in the fundraiser. Once the overarching StandUp cause is decided I will make a list of different organizations and activities that chapters can do according to their location so that it will be more convenient for them when deciding ways to be involved in the StandUp cause. In regards to ISF, I want to incorporate a tzedakah box in every program for all chapters with proceed going directly towards the International Service Fund. This will be a small thing that in the long run can make such an impact.

Lastly, I will get all chapters to have at least one interactive program teaching everyone about the International Service Fund, Globalization, and StandUP. Having everyone in chapters engaged in what is fully going on around the world in regards to cultural, environmental, and economic issues will inspire teens to do more in their community and give back. Chapter Gizborim will have the freedom to choose whether they want to do hands-on community service activities, simple programs, and so on and so forth.

As some journeys may be long, they always pay off in the end. Now everyone, come and join the journey!