

## HOW OUR COMMUNITY SUPPORTS ISRAELIS IN NEED

For decades, UJA has invested in a long-term strategy to strengthen some of Israel's most vulnerable citizens. Our work has focused on the partner communities of Sderot, Bat Yam, and Eilat/Eilot.

Drawing on invaluable local knowledge, partnerships, and NGO relationships, UJA is well-equipped to make funding decisions based on real-time data and priorities.

*"Partners came and partners went, but the partnership with Toronto remains integral to the education system in Sderot."*

— Gil, the director of education in Sderot

### Recent highlights of how YOUR donations made a difference in the lives of Israelis:

#### 2021

More than \$1M went to help Israelis overcome the wave of terrorism from May of that year, including mental health support at the Sderot Resilience Center.

#### 2023

UJA launched the Emergency Appeal for the People of Israel after October 7th. Funding went toward emergency grants for victims of terror, protective equipment for first responders, essential supplies for evacuated communities, and so much more.

#### 2025

UJA joined the Pan-Canadian Coalition. Funding from all Jewish Canadian Federations will drive transformative capacity building and innovation, and support the recovery and prosperity of the northern border of Israel and its next generation.

#### 2022

The Jewish Agency for Israel expanded its Youth Future program to Eilat/Eilot, providing at-risk children with mentors to serve as positive role models, advocates, and family supports.

#### 2024

Donations helped UJA fund the creation of 36 intervention centres, mental health stations, and therapy programs, so that tens of thousands of children could receive personalized recovery plans.

#### 2026

Since the war with Iran began, UJA has allocated \$1.5M in emergency aid for victims of terror in Israel—supporting direct relief, rehabilitation, and mental health resilience through trusted partners on the ground.

*"UJA's support was available within hours from the time the massacre began on October 7th...[they] provided solutions, not just financial support."*

— Alon Davidi, mayor of Sderot

UJA partners with more than 17 agencies and organizations in Israel to ensure funds are directed to where they are needed most. Here are examples of real impact by the numbers:

- Survivors of terror attacks and their families receive **US\$1,000** within 48 hours through the Fund for Victims of Terror.
- More than **one million** Israelis benefit from weekly social services run through the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.
- Around **7,000** Israelis received individual, group, or family therapy sessions through the UJA-funded Sderot Resilience Center.



*“The Toronto community has so often been among the very first communities to step forward in support of the Fund for Victims of Terror. Your leadership sends a powerful message that in times of crisis, we stand together.”*

— The Jewish Agency for Israel

# \$378

provides three Israeli children with special needs a month’s worth of educational enrichment.

# \$420

covers seven hours of mental health counselling at the Sderot Resilience Center.

# \$630

offers seven transformative therapeutic sessions for vulnerable youth and trauma survivors.

# \$840

provides relief for Israelis affected by terrorism through the Fund for Victims of Terror.



**Every single dollar raised through the Walk supports the people of Israel who need it most.**

Help us reach our fundraising goal of **\$780,000**—representing the 78 years Israel has been an official state—so that we can continue to support Israelis in moments of crisis and help them rebuild.

