

Activity Report

**Name of the Program:** Scholarships for Young Students from Ethiopian Backgrounds

**Year of activity:** September 2014 – August 2015

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**Program Implementation:**

- Between September 2011 and August 2015, Matanel Scholarships were awarded to 52-65 Ethiopian-Israeli students, in 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades, from families living in harsh social and economic conditions. (Over the past three years, the total number of Matanel scholarship grantees has increased from 19 students in 2011, to 30 in 2012, 52 in 2013 and now to 65 in 2014.in 2015 , 63)
- These subsidies have enabled the children to afford the high tuition costs of good quality schools.
- All children are motivated to learn and succeed at school, and are well integrated into the student body.
- As was the case in the previous year, the Steering Center has succeeded in leveraging support from the Matanel Foundation by arranging a tuition subsidy to each student from participating schools, and by securing co-payments from each child's parents. This is an important way of ensuring that students, parents and schools are committed to success.

**Accomplishments:**

1. The program met its goal by selecting 63 Ethiopian-Israeli children and subsidized their tuition at prestigious schools by awarding them a Matanel Scholarship.
2. All 65 children have successfully completed the school year without dropping-out, and by either maintaining good grades, or improving their grades.

**Evaluation:**

The project methodology, of selecting talented Ethiopian-Israeli children and enabling them to study in high caliber schools, has proven effective. This is evidenced in the fact that students reached the end of the school year without dropping-out, and have maintained good grades.

The students have integrated well into the schools, and are an important and active part of the student body. This is evidenced by the fact that students have expressed desire to continue studying in these schools.

Project staff members have begun collecting photographs and final examination results from each participant in the program so that their academic performance can be monitored centrally.

### Advancing Matanel Scholarships in 2015

- As agreed with Matanel Foundation representatives, the project is expected to continue for approximately six more years. This will enable students that have currently completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade in prestigious schools to complete 12<sup>th</sup> grade with the assistance of the Matanel Foundation. In subsequent years, the Steering Center will therefore be focusing the scholarship selection process accordingly.
- The detailed financial report below shows the names of each student that was awarded a Matanel scholarship over the past year, their grade and home city.
- The generous grant of 100,000 shekels from the Matanel Foundation was distributed in full.

### Expense Report and Participants List

No.	Student Name	City	Grade	Matanel Scholarship
1	Nitzan Awakae	Rishon Letzion	9	1,000
2	Yisrag Reta	Rishon Letzion	10	500
3	Simiha melikam	Rishon letzion	8	500
4	Tamar Vasa	Rishon Letzion	11	2,000
5	Mayan Batbabo	Rishon Letzion	11	1,500
6	Zehava Ashbir	Rishon Letzion	11	1,000
7	Zahi senbetu	Rishon-letzion	8	1,200
8	Tefelege weriqu	Bat-yam	11	1,500
9	Aniyishe melese	Bat-yam	8	1500
10	Ester tesera	Rishon-letzion	11	1,000
11	Tefelige misiker	Rishon letzion	8	1,500
12	Haim Yechezkias	Ashkelon	7	5,000
13	Shirli Varko	Ashkelon	8	2,000
14	Tehila Zaro	Ashkelon	12	1,500
15	Shiran Maharat	Ashkelon	12	2,000
16	Liel Aman	Afula	7	1,000
17	shani orikey	Ashkelon	7	1,000
18	Ilan yenenihe	Netanya	8	1,000
19	Habitanu alemahi	Netanya	8	1,000
20	Eden Mola	Hedera	9	1,000
21	Estar selomon	hedera	11	1000
22	Solomon Ta'aychow	Rehovot	9	2,000
23	Eliyas abebe	Lod	12	2,000

24	Avraham tesewu	Lod	10	2,500
25	Aisis Tagania	Rehovot	11	1,500
26	Sima eyele	rehovot	8	1,000
27	Ravit Yaso	Bet Shemesh	11	1,000
28	Maayan Zalika	Bet Shemesh	12	1,000
29	Segedu alemu	Bet-shemesh	12	1,200
30	Fekire-adis tegen	Bet shemesh	12	1,000
31	Banichigize gete	Bet-shemesh	7	2,000
32	Kineret belete	Jerusalem	8	2,000
33	Bireqey aregay	Jerusalem	10	4,500
34	Ronit Takalo	Jerusalem	9	1,000
35	Keli menigistu	Jerusalem	10	2000
36	Elinor tilahun	Jerusalem	7	2000
37	Ortal kasa	Jerusalem	7	2000
38	Adi Shimon	Jerusalem	7	2,500
39	Shachar malede	Jerusalem	8	1,600
40	Binyamin gorime	Jerusalem	10	2,000
41	Lital gebeyehu	jerusalem	8	1,000
42	Tigist Tasfahun	Jerusalem	9	1,000
43	Leyla Malsa	Jerusalem	9	1,500
44	Dorit Elmiyaho	Jerusalem	9	1,500
45	Yehoshua Asmara	Jerusalem	10	1,000
46	Shira Takalo	Jerusalem	10	1,500
47	Rachel Takalo	Jerusalem	10	1,000
48	Elmanash Malka	Jerusalem	10	1,000
49	Manda Tasara	Jerusalem	12	2,000
50	Tafere wubinesh	Jerusalem	11	1,500
51	Sara mot-bayinor	Jerusalem	8	2,000
52	Eden hesen	Jerusalem	8	2,000
53	Shaniel redaye	Adam	11	2,000
54	Noye shetu	jerusalem	8	2,500
55	Naomi gemede	Jerusalem	7	2,000
56	Roe getiye	jerusalem	8	2,000
57	Abaye moges	jerusalem	8	2,000
58	Amelemaal getwu	jerusalem	8	2,500
59	Tal malede	Jerusalem	8	2,000
60	Elinor tekile-hayimanot	Jerusalem	9	1,500

61	Bereket malede	Jerusalem	10	2000
62	Yerus belete	Jerusalem	9	2000
63	Lital Zagia	Beer-sheva	12	2,500
	<b>Total</b>			<b>104,500</b>