

MATANEL FOUNDATION

ACTIVITY REPORT

Program: Transforming the Lives of the Needy in Ashkelon
Year: 2019

Please present your activity report according to the following lines. The whole rapport will not exceed 2 or 3 pages (as word document).

Name of the Program: Transforming the Lives of the Needy in Ashkelon

Year of activity: 2019

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Number of active participants in the program: We served 31 families in Ashkelon this year, including families of Ethiopian background, single mothers, and families with elderly members. Our work team consisted of 2 tradesmen working under the supervision of our national foreman, with the additional help of our social worker/family advocate.

Estimated number of impacted participants: With an average of 4 members in each family, we served approximately 125 individuals in Ashkelon in 2019

Give the actual state of the program (where the program stands at the date of the activity report, no more than ten lines):

- 1) We completed renovations for 31 families in Ashkelon during the calendar year of 2019, and are planning to complete another 20 homes by the end of February 2020.
- 2) We have maintained the strong working relationship that we have with the local welfare department.
- 3) We have “adopted” a local “youth at risk” as one of our Ashkelon team members and have given him ongoing job and life training throughout the year. We view this as a crucial aspect of our work in Ashkelon and especially meaningful and of value to the greater community at large.

The main achievements during the last year of activity (main achievements, number of events, number of participants, etc.):

Since we only started our project in Ashkelon in May 2019, serving 31 families is a great achievement that puts us ahead of schedule. We hope to complete the full number of 50 families by the end of February 2020.

The evaluation (methodology, results, comparisons with the precedent year, conclusions for the future...): Our standard methods for coordinating and evaluating our work functioned well in Ashkelon during the past year. This includes:

- Ongoing meetings with Ashkelon Social Services (scheduled - one per month; additional “ad-hoc” meetings as required)
- Documentation of each client, including photos, description of renovation work performed, description of advocacy work performed

We were successful in developing an excellent working relationship with the Ashkelon welfare department, who view our work as a welcome extension of the services that they were able to provide the needy families in Ashkelon, in their care.

Provisional guide lines for the advancement of the program in the next year: We believe that the program is now progressing on-track and do not suggest any alterations.

Please join the Evaluation Report, the Financial Report and the list of the participants to the program (**as PDF documents**)

Please join photos – as **JPG files** – and any link or any other document connected to the program which will seem to you relevant – as **PDF document**.

Please join a 5 minutes movie which presents your institution and the particular project supported by the Matanel Foundation. The movie should be accessible to the philanthropic world and to other potential donors.

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