



**Dear Partners,**

On August 30th, 2016 The Psifas Fund committee in honor of Yosef Goodman and Eliezer Globerman convened for its monthly meeting and approved 7 requests that came to a total of 16500 Shekel:

**1. 3000 Shekel were given to Chen to fund Pedicure and Manicure Equipment:**

Chen is 41 years old. She is single with 2 children. The father is not an active part of their lives. She has been in the Welfare system due to her financial difficulties. For years she worked as a house keeper. She has recently completed a course in Manicure and Pedicure which would become the source of her income and is expecting to work as a cosmetician in a beauty shop. Her children will be in an after school child care facility so that she can go work. She has been in an ongoing process with "A business of your own" (an organization that helps women build small businesses) for the last year and a half. The Psifas Fund will allow Chen to go into the business world with the tools to build a successful business and care for her family financially.

**2. 3000 Shekel were given to Chava to fund a degree in Social Work:**

Chava is 33 years old, married with 5 children. Her father works as a rabbis assistant and Chava works as a cashier. Chava got sick 6 years ago and had to undergo treatments and surgeries. Their children are dealing with emotional and scholastic difficulties and the parents have been doing their maximum to help them deal with the situation. Chava would like to fulfill her dream of studying social work. The Psifas Fund will allow Chava to study a degree in a respectable field and support her family.

**3. 2500 Shekel were given to fund Lucy' Baking Course:**

Lucy is 40 years old, divorced +1. She married at a young age and when their son was 9 months old, they got divorced. She has been raising her son by herself with no assistance from his father. Lucy has been working as a carer for the elderly for the past 14 years and has been in financial ruins. She has decided to make a change in rehabilitating herself and her financial situation and after a lot of research, she found a baking course that she is very excited about. The Psifas fund will allow Lucy to rehabilitate herself and progress in the life that she is striving for.

**4. 1500 Shekel were given to Maya for her Laptop (for teaching English):**

Maya is 31 years old. She is separated and has 4 children. The family is charedi. Their income is from alimony and Child Benefits. Maya has a BA in English Education and she has just begun working in a religious school as a replacement teacher for 6 months for 25 hours a week. As part of her job she must give online classes which means she needs a laptop to keep this position. The Psifas fund will allow Maya to work in a job that will do her good and will be good for her family.



**5. 2500 Shekel were given to fund Manuel's Preparatory program for Law school:**

Manuel is 24 years old. Throughout his life he has experienced abandonment and his behavior has deteriorated as he grew older. A trauma that developed from a motorcycle accident pushed him to change his life and create a vision of becoming a lawyer. He was able to complete his bagrut successfully and was accepted to a Pre Law preparatory program. The Psifas fund will allow Manuel to start a new, gain a career and change his life course in a positive way.

**6. 2500 Shekel were given to fund Inbal's Art Instructor course:**

Inbal is separated, a mother of one. Her husband was violent towards her. She started coming to "Ruach Nashit" sessions for employment therapy and rehabilitation. It was through them that she discovered her love for creating jewelry and art and after an unsuccessful attempt at selling her own creations, she has decided to learn how to become an art instructor where there is a demand. The Psifas fund will allow Inbal to learn a trade and receive the tools to do a job that she does well and start a new way towards independence and security.

**7. 1500 Shekel were given to Ruth for a ABA Behavior Therapist course:**

Ruth is 54 years old and single. She grew up in a violent household and has been working with "Ruach Nashit" in the past 4 years. She is currently working hard at settling her debts and creating a stable income. For the past 3 years Ruth has been working with Autistic children but she lacks the formal training. She would like to study in an ABA Behavior Therapist course which will allow her financial stability. She will also be able to accept better positions and establish herself financially. The Psifas fund will allow Ruth to progress in her field and be financially stable.

**We use this opportunity to ask that you assist us in spreading the ideal of Psifas amongst your acquaintances in hope that they will join the Israeli Psifas Fund. For that goal to be achieved we have attached a description of the fund and its activities. We would like to stress that all donations are given to the requests directly and are not used to fund the organization, and that they are tax deductible.**

**We receive many requests and your donations and involvement is necessary now more than ever**

**Thank you,**

**The Psifas Fund**