



Dear Partners,

On April 24th, 2018 The Psifas Fund committee in honor of Yosef Goodman and Eliezer Globerman convened for its monthly meeting and approved 17 requests that came to a total of 71,300 Shekel:

*Names and identifying details have been altered to protect those who had turned to us for help.

1. 4000 Shekel were given to Ilanit to fund her Hydrotherapy Course:

Ilanit is married and a mother of 7 children. Her husband hasn't had a job for a while due to mental issues and Ilanit has been the sole provider. Ilanit works as a secretary and suffers of a medical issue that restricts her movements. The family has been receiving financial aid on behalf of Social Welfare. Ilanit has decided to follow the program and learn a new trade. She has always liked swimming and has decided to learn Hydrotherapy, a job that could also help with her medical issue.

2. 4500 Shekel were given to Olga to fund her diploma in guiding teenagers at risk:

Olga is a divorcee. She has 2 children. Olga has experienced a violent relationship. She has had to deal with many debts that have accumulated. Olga has no education and has been working in the field of Education. She would like to work with teenagers at risk and use her experiences and successes in dealing with complicated situations.

3. 4500 Shekel were given to fund Elishevas' Cosmetics Course:

Elisheva, is divorced with 4 children. She has been participating in a rehabilitation program in her community after leaving her partner who was violent towards her. Elisheva has no education and has been working as a sales woman in a store. She would like to study and earn a living by being a cosmetician but she needs assistance in funding the course.

4. 1000 Shekel were given to Manael to fund a Manicure- Pedicure Course:

Manael is separated and has 5 children. Her ex-partner is in prison. During their marriage he didn't allow her to study and work and she is now the sole provider with no professional training and experience. Manael's son has a medical issue which leads to him being monitored and hospitalized a lot. His medical situation doesn't allow her to work full time as an employee. Manael has received partial funding and needs help from Psifas with the rest.

5. 4000 Shekel were given to Marina to fund her Literature Course:

Marina is a mother of four and has been clean for a year and a half. In the past she has had to deal with absorption difficulties, complications in her relationship and has had to live on the street. In the past year in a half, Marina had gone through therapy to control her drinking and as a result, she was able to regain custody of her children and pay back old debts. Marina has been working as a cleaner and would like to work at a job that she feels would be more respectable.



6. 5000 Shekel were given to Shula to fund her Nursing Course:

Shula is a divorcee with 3 children. Her partner left her deep in debt and with payments to the lawyers that had been taking care of her divorce file. She has been living off pensions and help in paying her rent. Shula has chosen to work as a nurse so that she can provide for her children. She is in her second year of studies and would be able to work as a student in the hospital that she is taking classes in.

7. 5000 Shekel were given to Devora to fund a course in accounting:

Devora is a single mother who moved to Israel with her parents in the 90's. Her parents started a business that flopped and fell into debt. Devora tried to help her parents rebuild the business but the attempts were unsuccessful and the family was left with debt and loans. Devora is in mids of bankruptcy and as a part of her rehabilitation process she would like to work as an accountant. Since she is bankrupt, she cannot afford to pay for the course.

8. 1500 Shekel were given to Elisheva to fund a Psychodidactic Test:

Elisheva is a young woman with no family ties. She left her family when she was 17 years old as a result of violence and alienation. Elisheva has completed 2 years of national service and is currently in a preparatory academy program. She has attention disorders and would like to receive special assessments during tests which she would need a psychodidactic test.

9. 5000 Shekel were given to Vered for a Pastry Baking Course:

Vered has a history of anxiety and eating disorders. Vere is currently in process of rehabilitation and has been working for months. She loves baking and it strengthens her mentally. Vered would like to intern in the field and work as a pastry chef but she cannot afford her studies as her medical situation has made it difficult for her to work.

10. 5000 Shekel were given to Miriam to fund a course in Health Systems:

Miriam's family has been having hard times financially for years. Her father was addicted and violent. Miriam has been working for years in order to support herself. She had completed her bagruyot and psychometry in addition to 2 years of national service in the health department. As result of her national service, she has decided to study health systems and to work simultaneously, which she needs help funding.

11. 3500 Shekel were given to Menachem to fund his studies in Educational Consultancy:

Menachem is a father of 8 children. He has been working in the field of education in a yeshiva for years with no educational knowledge. The family has had financial difficulties for years. Menachem loved his field but the conditions of his workplace were problematic so he has chosen to quit his job. He has been struggling to find a job given his lack of education and would like to work as an Educational Consultant and parent's guidance counselor and work with teenagers at risk.



12. 3500 Shekel were given to Ariel to fund his wood work equipment:

Ariel is married with 8 children. Ariel has worked for many years as an independent in wood work until his essential and expensive equipment was stolen and he has since been unable to find jobs that create income. Jobless, he became depressed and began drinking alcohol. During the past year, Ariel and his family are in process of rehabilitation and have been receiving help with their debts and have begun their bankruptcy. Simultaneously, Ariel participated in innovation workshops. He is highly motivated and would like to return to work and care for his family in a respectable way. He is asking for assistance in purchasing equipment for his business and obtain new clients.

13. 4000 Shekel were given to Liora to fund her Pasty Baking Course:

Liora is married, a mother of 8 children. She was in an abusive relationship and even had to hide out in a shelter. In the past year the couple spent time in therapy in a center to prevent abuse, and have been going through a rehabilitation process together. For the first time in their relationship, Liora's partner has been supporting her studying and getting a job. Liora has been working in baking for years and would like to become a professional and work in events and bakeries. Liora has been working in cleaning jobs while studying in order to fund her studies.

14. 4500 Shekel were given to Susan to fund her Cooking Course:

Susan, divorcee has 3 children. Susan works as a carer for the elderly and sells home cooked meals to fill in her salary. Her income is unsteady and unreliable. Susan would like to get a better education in the field of cooking so that she can start a new business and care for her family in an honorable way.

15. 3800 Shekel were given to Thyser to fund his dance classes:

Thyser is a young man from a family known to social welfare for years. His father passed away 2 years ago and his mother became the main provider. His mother works as a carer in an old age home and gets minimum wage. Thyser has discovered a clear talent in ballet over the years and has been fully focusing his attention his time and energy to his dancing. He is currently in a program that trains dancers at a dance school. He funded the first year of his studies by receiving scholarships from the village where he grew up and a private donor. He needs assistance in funding the second and last year of his studies. Thyser has already begun going to auditions at professional dance companies and is hoping to develop a career in the dance world.

16. 7500 Shekel were given to Gila to fund her Education Studies and Teaching Certificate:

Gila is divorced and has 2 children. She works as a therapist for people with special needs. In addition, she has health issues and has disabilities. Gilas has no professional education. A few years ago, Gilas has decided to progress in a professional way and would like to work as a history teacher. She was accepted for an internship for next year so that she can complete her studies and in order to receive her teaching certificate she will need financial assistance in affording the tuition.



17. 5000 Shekel were given to Olga to fund her studies in the world of Unconventional Medicine:

Olga is daughter to immigrants who suffer of health issues, are unemployed and live off their disability pensions. Olga would like to work as an independent in the field unconventional medicine in kupot cholim. She is in her second year of studies. Olga studies in the afternoon and is still holding two jobs so that she can support herself and her parents. She is having a hard time funding her programs tuition.

**This donation has been given in memory of Zvi Neuman z"l,
May his soul be bound in the bond of life.**

While sending this monthly report, we take the opportunity to once again ask for your assistance in spreading word of the Psifas concept and initiative among your friends and acquaintances, in the hope that they too will join the Israeli Psifas Fund. We would like to emphasize that all donations go directly to the recipients or to the service provider, and not to organizational expenses. All donations are tax deductible.

Thank you,
The Psifas Fund