

# BALTIMORE STANDS WITH ISRAEL: THEN, NOW, IN THE FUTURE

For decades, The Associated: Jewish Federation of Baltimore, through our Annual Campaign, has been dedicated to working day in and day out in Israel. Our efforts focus on caring for those in need, fostering strong bonds with Israelis and inspiring the next

generation of Baltimoreans to connect with our Jewish homeland.

When crises hit Israel, our Annual Campaign ensures a swift response. Our Annual Campaign funds international non-profit partners like, the Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI) and the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC). Together, with our partners, we work in Israel and around the globe. Our Annual Campaign is essential, without it, our impact and mission would suffer.

Kol Yisrael Areivim Ze Bazeh

> ALL JEWS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ONE ANOTHER.

## Year In and Year Out The Associated's Annual Campaign...

#### Facilitates Aliyah and Absorption

Through our efforts, we have empowered individuals to make *Aliyah* (the immigration of Jews to Israel), offering refuge and fresh starts to thousands of Jewish individuals hailing from Ethiopia, Ukraine, South America and beyond who have found a new home in Israel.

#### **Ensures the Well-being of Holocaust Survivors**

We have worked tirelessly to ensure that Holocaust survivors can live their lives without worry, providing them with the support and care they need, as they age with dignity.

#### **Supports Vulnerable Populations**

We have been and continue to be a lifeline for older adults, individuals with disabilities, the unemployed and at-risk youth, offering them opportunities, resources and assistance to overcome challenges to build better futures.

### Builds Connections to Israel through Education and Travel

Our commitment to fostering strong bonds with Israel transcends geographical boundaries. Through programs like the Insight Israel Forum, Associated Missions, Birthright Israel, Onward Israel, Kesher and Diller Teen Fellows, alongside the dedicated efforts of *Shinshinim* (Israeli Emissaries), we empower our community to foster deep and meaningful connections with Israel. This especially extends to our partner city of Ashkelon, solidifying the ties between our two communities.

#### Champions Israel's Interests and U.S. Jewry

We continue to advocate for Israel's interests by maintaining strong connections with policymakers and local, state and federal government officials. We promote policies that benefit both the State of Israel and Jews in the United States.

## Amid the challenges facing Israel, The Associated's Annual Campaign is more important now than

**ever before.** Your donation matters in this critical time. All increases in gifts and new gifts will be matched, thanks to the Pearlstone Family Fund.

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## **BY THE NUMBERS**



Over the past decade, **10,000 participants** from Maryland have taken part in Birthright Israel trips.



An impressive **87% of event attendees** learned something new from Insight Israel Forum programming.



**Thousands of immigrants** from Ethiopia, Ukraine, South America and other parts of the world have found refuge and new lives through *Aliyah* to Israel.



Shinshinim engaged with thousands of school-age children and adults to provide insights about Israel and close personal connections.



Throughout The Associated's history, **tens of thousands of Baltimoreans** have had immersive travel experiences to Israel.



Our Annual Campaign allocates **more than \$6 million** to support Israel through specific projects and initiatives each and every year.



In our partner city Ashkelon, we are supporting **more than 5,000 Holocaust survivors** with their essential needs.