



B'EZRI

International Friends of Yad Eliezer/B'ezri

Beyond the Numbers: **2024 Impact in Action**

Message From Our Leadership

Dear Friends,

In a year marked by war, displacement, and uncertainty, your generosity became a lifeline. Together, we responded to emergencies with clarity and compassion, supported thousands of widows and orphans with quiet dignity, and brought stability to struggling families across Israel.

Behind every dollar you gave is a person, a home, a story. A widow in Sderot with seven children and no income. A baby in Bnei Brak who would've gone without formula. A soldier's wife in Netivot holding her family together while her husband defends the country.

Every year brings its share of hardship, but this past year has created a level of devastation unlike anything we've seen before. No sector of Israeli society was spared. From north to south, the ripple effects of October 7th were felt in every community, every neighborhood, every home.

This year, B'ezri operated with a budget exceeding \$42 million, reaching over 100,000 individuals across 197 cities and towns. And still, every number in this report represents a name, a face, and a real life changed. As you

turn these pages, I urge you to see not just figures and data—but the mothers, children, and families whose lives were forever changed by your compassion.

None of this would be possible without you. This report is not a list of accomplishments. It is a reflection of your impact—on a nation, on a family, on a single child who can now go to bed warm and fed.

We thank you for your trust and invite you to read on about the impact you have had on our nation's most vulnerable.

Sincerely,

Sori Tropper, CEO & Founder
American Friends of Yad Eliezer / B'ezri

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Dear Partners,

This past year has tested our collective strength and revealed the extraordinary power of compassion. Entering 2024 just on the heels of October 7's devastating attack, over a year-long war, and economic instability that has upended so many lives, families across Israel turned to us not just for assistance, but for stability, dignity, and hope.

At B'ezri, we are privileged to be the bridge between generous givers around the world and the most vulnerable households in Israel. Our mission is simple: to respond to human suffering with dignity and provide fast, direct support when families are in financial crisis.

Focused and efficient, we deployed a \$42 million budget across five critical areas:

- **Widow & Orphan Support**
- **Everyday Essentials**
- **Emergency Assistance**
- **Special Occasions**
- **Seasonal Support**

Managing a \$42 million budget is a privilege, and also a responsibility we don't take lightly. Our commitment to transparency is unwavering. We warmly invite you to visit our office in Yerushalayim and see for yourself how your

tzedakah is being used—day in and day out—to change lives.

We remain committed to the core values that define us: compassion, transparency, and a relentless drive to deliver your tzedakah where it's needed most. Thank you for partnering with us. Thank you for seeing them in their darkest hour.

With deep appreciation,

Yossi Adler, COO, B'ezri

Kobi Yitzhaki, CFO, B'ezri

Chezki Hartman, Director of Development, B'ezri



B'ezri: A Transatlantic Partnership with Purpose

In 2024, Bezri's operating budget was

\$42M+

Through the generous support of

14,800+

donors worldwide

we reached

100,000+ individuals

across

197 towns & cities

in partnership with

90+ community coordinators.

B'ezri was born from a decades-long partnership between American Friends of Yad Eliezer and what started as a grassroots movement to help Israel's poorest families. Today, we operate a \$42M+ annual giving pipeline, enabling thousands of donors around the world to bring direct financial relief to over 100,000 individuals in 197 cities across Israel.

What sets B'ezri apart?

A laser focus on strategic, direct support. With minimal overhead and maximum impact, we prioritize:

 *Compassionate giving that preserves dignity*

 *Swift, responsible allocation of funds*

 *Transparent reporting for every donor*

Our 5 Core Pillars of Support

Widow & Orphan Support

The Keren Almanos is our largest and most comprehensive initiative. With your help, hundreds of widows across Israel receive monthly stipends, averaging \$800, via discreet direct deposit—providing both financial stability and emotional security. The fund also supports urgent needs and life milestones, ensuring these families are never forgotten.

2024 Stats



\$8.8M+
Distributed



968
Widows supported



6,500+
Orphaned children
reached



**15 Months
of Stipends**
12 Months, Sukkos,
Pesach, Summer



Rachel Z.'s husband passed away suddenly, leaving her to care for their 9 children alone. Rachel suffers from fibromyalgia and can only manage a few hours of work each day, barely earning enough to get by.

“The monthly stipend is vital—it’s how I feed my children. But just as important is the way it eases the emotional burden I carry. I know there’s someone I can call in an emergency. Someone who sees me.”

Over the past year, B'ezri helped cover urgent dental work and tuition for a therapy course so Rachel can support herself long-term.



Everyday Essentials

No one should have to choose between baby formula and rent. For a family living in poverty, the stress never stops. B'ezri's Everyday Essentials programs cover the basics—so parents can parent, babies can thrive, and families can move forward.



The E. family was already stretched thin—one child newly married, another in a special needs facility, and their 13-year-old daughter facing a relapse of cancer. With the father recently unemployed and the mother unable to work due to her daughter's treatment, their financial situation spiraled. They sold their home, moved into a small apartment, and could no longer afford basic necessities.

Food support from B'ezri brought immediate relief at a moment when the burden felt unbearable.

"I didn't know how we'd get through the week. The food support didn't just fill our kitchen—it reminded me we're not alone in this."

2024 Stats



 1,000 Infants provided with baby formula each month	 3,500+ Families received food support while facing extreme financial hardship
 5,600+ Single mothers received support to cover essentials (*includes holiday food support)	 160 Participants received job training or micro-loans for long-term stability

Emergency Assistance

When crisis strikes, we act immediately. Our emergency fund covers urgent, one-time expenses such as emergency dental treatments, home appliances, eviction threats, disconnected electricity, or other needs that lower-income families simply can't absorb.

We also maintain a dedicated national crisis emergency fund to respond swiftly to large-scale tragedies. After October 7th, our Stand with Israel campaign raised millions—providing non-combat gear for IDF soldiers, emergency supplies, and aid for displaced families. Support continued through 2024, as needs persisted long after the initial crisis. We remain committed to long-term recovery, including mental health care, medical needs, debt relief, and rebuilding efforts for those affected by war and terror.

2024 Stats

 1,695 Families received assistance from our general emergency fund
 4,670+ Families impacted by war received aid through our Stand With Israel campaign



"I really am alone, dealing with all my expenses by myself. When I needed a new oven, there was absolutely no way I could afford it. When I learned that you would be able to help me, and I received a new one after not having anything for 6 months—I simply broke down and cried."
 — Nechama C.

Special Occasions

Weddings. Bar mitzvahs. Setting up a new couple's home. For families already stretched thin, milestones can feel more like crises than celebrations and often lead to debt that lingers long after the occasion.

B'ezri's Special Occasions programs help alleviate the financial burden so joy can take its rightful place. Your support helps families mark meaningful transitions with pride and peace of mind.



Ruti C.'s business collapsed during the pandemic and finally closed when the war began. She and her husband are hardworking people, but with only his minimal salary and mounting debts from two previous weddings, they can barely get through the month—let alone make another simcha.

"The greatest burden has been lifted. We still have a ways to go, but it feels lighter now. And thanks to the donors who should be blessed, we can walk into this simcha with joy instead of anxiety."



2024 Stats

 3,710 Weddings sponsored In 2024 through our Adopt-a-Wedding program	 2,895 Brides received Kol Kallah bridal vouchers
 462 Newlywed orphans received appliances for their new homes	 159 Bar Mitzvah boys received tefillin and modest celebrations

Seasonal Solutions

Poverty doesn't pause for the holidays or take summers off. In fact, for struggling families, these seasonal moments can feel the most overwhelming. B'ezri's Seasonal Solutions programs bring timely, targeted relief throughout the year, helping families celebrate the holidays, get through school vacations, and stay warm during the coldest months.

2024 Stats

 \$3.4M+ in holiday food vouchers (Rosh Hashana, Sukkot, Pesach)	 8,800 Soldiers and Miluim (reservist) families received food support for the holidays
 20,807 Coats and 12,395 Blankets distributed	 3,085 Children went to a B'ezri sponsored summer camp



"I couldn't afford the fee for even the most basic kaytana. I was about to leave my job to stay home with my children. But because of B'ezri, they went to camp—and I was able to keep working. Instead of going into the school year drowning in stress and debt, we're starting fresh, after a summer that finally gave us a breather."
 — Ayelet C. a single mother in Ofakim

B'ezri By The Numbers 2024

Program	Expense	%
Keren Almanos—Widows & Orphans Fund	\$7,990,896	18.65%
Appliances For Orphans (KYZ)	\$854,408	1.99%
Food Support	\$8,397,972	19.60%
Feed-a-Baby	\$423,701	0.99%
Job Training + Microfinancing	\$235,752	0.55%
Grushot & Agunot (Single Mother) Support	\$323,659	0.76%
Winter Warmth	\$528,930	1.23%
Holiday Fund	\$4,022,324	9.38%
IDF Holiday Program	\$1,418,829	3.31%
Matanot L'evyonim	\$790,637	1.84%
Summer Programming (camps etc.)	\$573,400	1.34%
Emergency Fund	\$5,615,195	13.10%
War/National Crisis	\$925,284	2.16%
Adopt-A-Wedding	\$5,841,495	13.63%
Bar Mitzvah Fund	\$194,665	0.45%
Kol Kallah	\$995,876	2.32%
Fundraising Expenses	\$1,398,752	3.26%
Program Overhead	\$678,995	1.58%
General Overhead	\$1,652,254	3.85%
Total Expenses:	\$42,863,023	100%

Source	Income
American Friends YE/B'ezri	\$37,239,935
Canadian Friends YE/B'ezri	\$3,153,415
UK Friends Of B'ezri	\$955,225
B'ezri Israel	\$2,113,774
Total Income	\$43,462,349

B'ezri Cities of Operation

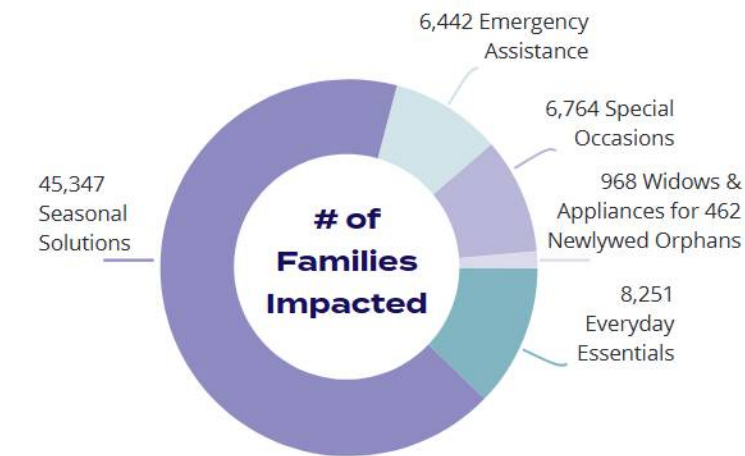
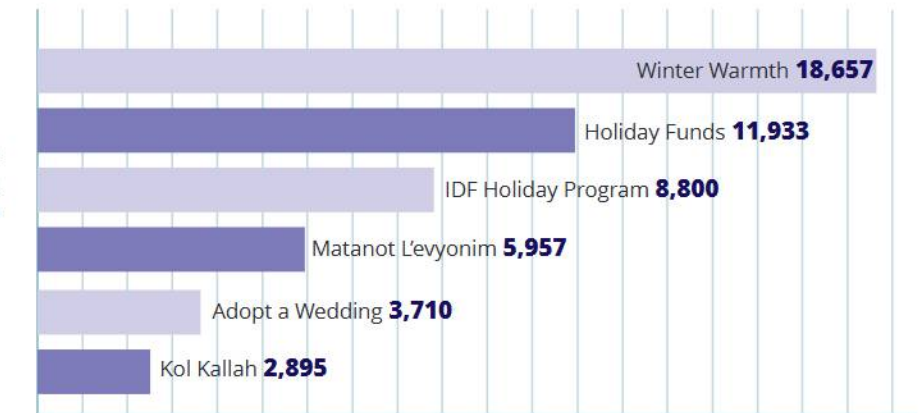
Achisamach	Hulon	Rosh Ha'ayin
Afula	Jerusalem	Sderot
Arad	Karmiel	Tel Tzion
Ariel	Kiryat Ata	Teveria
Ashdod	Kiryat Gat	Tifrach
Ashkelon	Kiryat Malachi	Tzfat
Bat Yam	Kiryat Ye'arim	Yaffo
Beit Hilkia	Komemiyut	Yerucham
Beit She'an	Mod'in Illit	Yesodot
Beit Shemesh	Nahariya	Zichron Yaakov
Beitar Illit	Netanya	
Bnei Brak	Netivot	
Efrat	Nof Hagalil	
Emanuel	Ofakim	
Elad	Or Yehuda	
Givat Ze'ev	Petach Tikvah	
Hadera	Rechasim	
Haifa	Rehovot	
Harish	Rishon LeZion	



Total Widow & Orphan Support



Featured Programs: Total Families Served



68K+
Families Helped

14,800+
Donors Worldwide

90+
Volunteer Community Coordinators

Donor-Directed Giving

Our aid is driven by *you*. You choose the program, we ensure it reaches those who need it most. Here's what that looked like this year:



A kallah in **Ashdod** from a family of 9 celebrated her wedding without debt thanks to an Adopt-a-Wedding sponsorship.



A mother with severe anxiety in **Modiin** received Yom Tov assistance while her husband and son were both serving in the army, and the family's only source of income had collapsed.



A family raising six children in **Netanya** received food support and help toward life-changing surgery abroad for their son born with a congenital condition with part of his ear missing.



A widowed mother from **Beitar** raising three young sons alone, receives a monthly stipend after her husband tragically passed away in a car accident abroad.



A single father from **Netivot** in a painful divorce got urgent dental help for his son who was suffering and in severe pain.

Why AFYE / B'ezri As Your Trusted Partner In Giving?

- Low overhead, direct impact
- Unmatched Transparency: 4-star Charity Navigator rating
- Unparalleled focus on widows and orphans
- Rapid, responsive distribution
- Strategic, need-based giving

Looking Ahead: 2025 and Beyond

The need continues to grow and so does our unwavering commitment to meet it.

This coming year, we are:

Scaling our Emergency Fund for long-term post-war recovery

Working to meet rising demand in our Adopt-a-Wedding program

Growing our monthly donor base to ensure stability year-round, specifically for our Widows & Orphans Fund

Deepening donor access to impact stories and personalized giving

Join Us

Poverty may persist, but so can our resolve. Together, we can ensure that no child goes to bed hungry, no widow faces a crisis alone, and no milestone is marred by fear.

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**American Friends of Yad Eliezer/
B'ezri: Giving With Compassion.
Impacting With Integrity.**



Leave A Legacy

An Eternal Gift to the People of Israel

A legacy gift to American Friends of Yad Eliezer/B'ezri is more than a donation, it's a lasting investment in the future of the Jewish people.

By including us in your will or estate plan, you ensure that struggling families, widows, and orphans in Israel continue to receive the dignity, support, and hope they deserve for generations to come.

Legacy gifts can also be made in memory or honor of a loved one, creating a meaningful tribute that reflects their values and carries their impact forward.

To learn more about how you can leave a transformative legacy, please contact:

Aryeh Tropper, Legacy Director

718-986-4525 | legacy@yadeliezer.org

All inquiries are handled with the utmost sensitivity and confidentiality. We also recommend consulting with your financial advisor to determine the best structure for your gift.



Endorsements

It is well known in the world of tzedaka and chesed that American Friends of Yad Eliezer/B'ezri has been working with great dedication for over forty years, to help and benefit poor families in Eretz Yisrael.

Now, together with prominent Gabbei tzedaka in Eretz Yisrael, they have established B'ezri, which assists families of B'nei Torah and the needy in many ways including providing hachnosas kallah funds to help marry off children with dignity, supplying formula for babies, and allocating Yom Tov aid for tens of thousands of families throughout the country.

Above all is the Keren Almanos, which supports hundreds of widows and thousands of orphans, month in and month out.

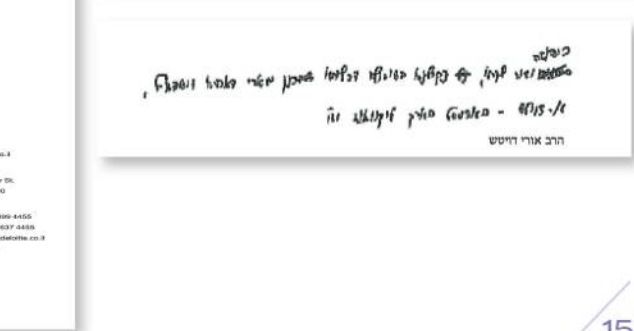
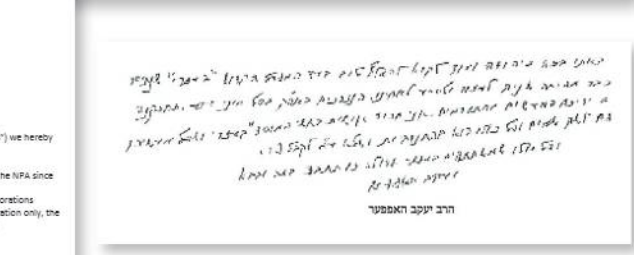
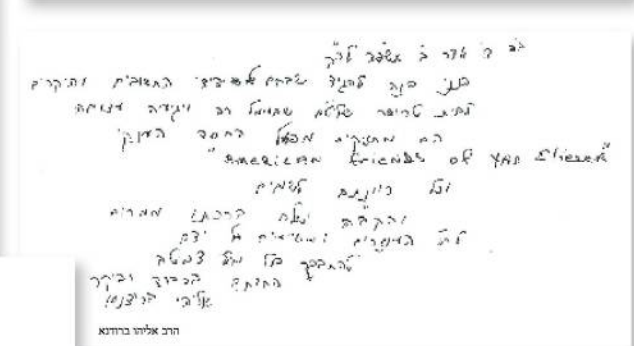
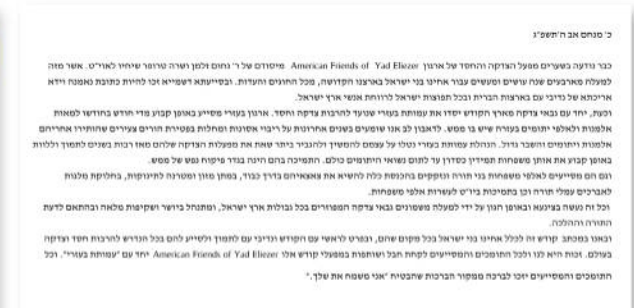
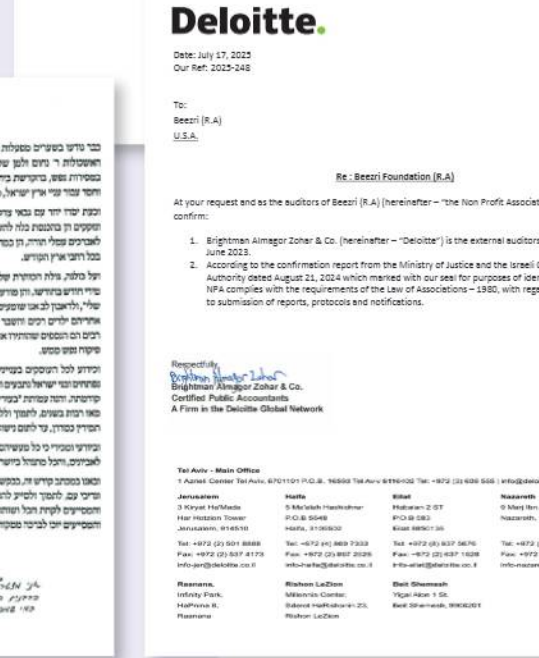
We can attest to the fact that their activities are in accordance with Halacha and Da'as Torah and managed with the utmost honesty and complete transparency. We ask of you to support and assist B'ezri and enable them to increase chesed and tzedaka. May you all be blessed with Hashem's promise,

אם אתה משמח את שלי אני משמח
"If you bring joy to the vulnerable and downtrodden, I will bring joy to you and your family."

Signed,
(Rabbi) Yehuda Silman
(Rabbi) Sarel Rosenberg
(Rabbi) Yitzchak Mordechai HaKohen Rubin

As one who is very familiar with the management and important work of B'ezri, I add myself as well,

(Rabbi) Yitzchak Berkovitz





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