Friends of Yemin Orde

ANNUAL REPORT

• 2017 •

Transforming immigrant and at-risk youth into productive members of Israeli society.
“Education is leading society. Our job is to bring kids to a place where they know they can dream, and where they want to dream.”

–Racheli Yaso-Ngatuvo
Staff, Yemin Orde Youth Village
Dear Friends,

Our commitment to Israel’s marginalized youth remains as strong today as it did more than 60 years ago when Yemin Orde Youth Village first opened its doors. Thank you for your continuing support of our vital mission to provide an enriching and loving home and a strong educational environment to thousands of Israel’s youth at risk.

Our 2017 Annual Report reflects our remarkable progress toward expanding the educational opportunities for Israel’s at-risk youth. Through the Village’s innovative technology programs, such as Integrated Tools, and business entrepreneurship initiatives, such as our Eco-Farm’s produce sales, we are providing the means and opportunities for aspiring teens to grow, learn and succeed in school, and attain humanitarian values to be productive citizens.

In 2017, thanks to the educational visionaries at Village Way Educational Initiatives (VWEI), the Village Way methodology, modeled at Yemin Orde, has successfully added six new villages and schools to its roster, bringing the total number of partners to 36 communities, including five schools in Arab communities. Since its launch in 2006, VWEI has impacted 14,200 youth and 1,775 educators – we are touching the lives of hundreds more at-risk youth and empowering more educators each year.

Where do we go from here?

Friends of Yemin Orde completed a strategic planning process that began in 2017. We now have a roadmap for the next three years designed to help us increase our name recognition and develop new pipelines to increase annual revenue.

Our five-year goal (2017-2021) to raise $36 million for Yemin Orde and Village Way Educational Initiatives is critical to our Village Way expansion plans. By 2021 – just three years from now – we hope to expand to 59 educational communities in Israel, thereby saving the lives of 25,000 at-risk youth and empowering 2,800 educators. It is time to shift our fundraising efforts into high gear.

Expanding our donor community to have a greater collective impact on our fundraising efforts is key to moving forward toward our goal. I am thrilled to report that we raised $1.2 million at our first international gala in New York City, on May 8, 2018, where Chaim Peri received the Friends of Yemin Orde Tikkun Ha’Lev Award for his lifetime devotion to Israel’s youth at risk. We are thankful to everyone who supported the event and the 420 guests from around the United States and Israel who joined us for this highly successful and elegant evening.

Our volunteer board of directors, professional leadership and I look forward to your ideas and support to ensure a brighter future for thousands of Israel’s youth at risk. We know this vision is attainable if we work together.

Respectfully,

George W. Blank
At Yemin Orde Youth Village, 430 at-risk youth from around the world live in a safe and loving home, have a strong educational environment, positive role models and thrive in a supportive and healing community.

The Village’s youth are between 14 and 19 years of age and are primarily from Ethiopia, countries of the Former Soviet Union, France, Brazil and Israel. Most youth are first generation Israelis or their parents are first generation Israelis. Through a highly effective educational methodology, called the Village Way, plus a dedicated team of educators and professionals, at-risk youth receive the means and opportunities to learn, grow and succeed as productive citizens of Israel.

**Debate Club**

Members of Yemin Orde’s debate club can strengthen their public speaking skills and gain self-confidence. The benefits of public speaking are highly desirable to Yemin Orde's youth. The gained understanding, communication skills and confidence transfer to all areas of life.

**Eco-Farm is a Model of Sustainability**

Yemin Orde’s Eco-Farm is a model for sustainable growth. Its natural environment provides rehabilitative elements for the at-risk youth who work there. From caring for the farm’s animals and growing organic vegetables to learning carpentry and blacksmith skills, the Eco-Farm gives youth the opportunity to learn and gain confidence in a supportive, nurturing and environmentally sustainable setting.

The Eco-Farm operates under the collaborative community supported agriculture model (CSA) and provides healthy organic vegetables to more than 100 regular customers, including Village staff and nearby communities. In this way, Yemin Orde’s youth learn the principles of business entrepreneurship in an interactive and fun way.

**Opening the Technology Door**

The Integrated Tools (IT) program, a collaboration between the Israel Defense Forces elite intelligence corps and Israeli high tech partners, offers students in grades 10-12, the opportunity to learn and excel in computer and technology fields, skills highly-prized by the IDF and the Israeli private sector.

For the 2017-2018 school year, IT students worked on a project at the Village’s Eco-Farm which outfitted goats with GPS monitors to collect agricultural data. IT students built the computer network that supported this technology.

Twelfth graders in the program worked at eBay offices during the summer; tenth graders received a personal laptop as an incentive to study hard and succeed.

**Feeling Good by Doing Good**

The important Jewish tenet of Tikkun Olam – Hebrew for mending the world – is an integral part of the social fabric at Yemin Orde. Youth engage in local volunteer activities and Jewish learning programs that heal and nurture others, thus mending their own hearts in the process.

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Yemin Orde has a life changing impact on its students. For many, it’s an opportunity to be functional members of society — an asset, not a social liability. The love and support provided creates a family bond that lasts for their lifetime.

– Michael Azeez, Board Member Friends of Yemin Orde
VILLAGE WAY EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

Village Way Educational Initiatives (VWEI), launched in 2006, expands the educational methodology modeled at Yemin Orde Youth Village, called the Village Way, to other youth villages, residential therapeutic communities and public high schools in Israel, including schools in Arab communities. VWEI facilitates long-term systemic change across Israel by training and mentoring educators in an innovative and impactful way. VWEI also provides workshops, interventions and resources to empower educators to help their vulnerable students achieve educational success.

Intercommunity Forums
VWEI provides opportunities for educators from partnering communities to meet for a day of focused learning and discussion on a Village Way topic. These forums inspire educators into action, provide a platform for sharing best practices and an opportunity to participate in peer learning activities. The meetings are important in that they provide educators with knowledge and inspiration to share with their own schools and peers.

Trailblazers Course for Emerging Leaders
VWEI provides a year-long course for motivated educators in cooperation with Tel Aviv University’s Continuing Education Unit. Participants train to be leaders in their own school communities while deepening understanding of the Village Way methodology.

Science Exploration
The Gelfand Science Enrichment Program provides underserved students with science enrichment programs from Israel’s top scientific education institutes. At-risk teens learn complex science concepts in a new way: exploring, experimenting and discovering on their own. This experiential learning platform introduces otherwise marginalized youth to the many fields of science.

Multi-faceted Israeli Culture
Israeli security forces work with immigrant, minority and at-risk youth and young adults in this groundbreaking cultural awareness program. This partnership has achieved amazing results in changing policy and integrating the Village Way into the work of Israel Border Police, Israel Defense Forces and Ofek Juvenile Prison.

Village Way in Academia
The Village Way methodology continues to be taught in academic settings, including full semester courses at Oranim College of Education and Hebrew University’s School of Education.

As soon as the student opens up on a personal level, it creates a kind of trust between the teacher and student. Suddenly, he sees me as a person and I see him as a child. As soon as that happens, you can achieve great things.

– Educator, Village Way partner high school
Yemin Orde graduates are leaders and involved in every aspect of daily life in Israel, from politics, business, health care, military, the arts and technology to community activism and volunteering. They are self-reliant adults, educated participants in the workforce, and have a deep sense of social responsibility.

**OUR GRADUATES … STAYING CONNECTED**

Nofar Getanech Desta

Nofar’s traumatic journey from a small village in Ethiopia to urban Israel started with, literally, one small step. At the age of four, Nofar and her family walked through the desert to Ethiopia’s capital, where they waited for governmental permission to move to Israel. Life in modern Israel proved difficult for young Nofar. At Yemin Orde, she gained confidence and found a forever home. After graduating, Nofar served as a combat soldier in Israel’s military, attended university and studied law. Now an attorney in the Haifa District Attorney’s office, she works to safeguard justice and safety in Israel.

Worku Abiy

Worku moved to Israel from Ethiopia when he was 15 years old following the deaths of his parents. He lived in an absorption center in northern Israel for one year prior to his arrival at Yemin Orde Youth Village. At Yemin Orde, Worku made friends, studied hard and gained self-confidence. Following high school graduation, Worku served as an officer in the Israel Defense Forces (IDF). Today, he is studying law and diplomacy at a college in Israel.

“It’s important to me to make an impact and to teach from my experience how to cope and to succeed, to show that if you want, anything is possible,” Worku said.

Our Graduate Program

Yemin Orde’s Graduate Program provides financial support and advice in times of need. In 2017, 123 alumni returned to the Village to receive academic or need-based scholarships. On Graduates Day, alumni also meet with current students who view them as positive role models. The annual Graduates Day program is primarily supported by gifts to Friends of Yemin Orde.

In 2017, 123 deserving alumni returned to Yemin Orde to receive scholarships.
Our Promise.
The promise that “Yemin Orde will always be there for you” is a distinguishing feature of the Village.
The Village’s Graduate Home provides temporary housing for graduates with no other home in Israel following graduation. Accommodations are available for military breaks, Shabbat or whenever needed. The Village also provides:

• **Scholarships:** Stipends provided for academic, vocational and gap-year leadership programs.

• **Village liaison for graduate-soldiers:** Staff members attend IDF ceremonies and remain in contact with graduate-soldiers.

• **Networking Opportunities:** Graduates remain connected through social and professional networking platforms.

• **Reunions:** Graduates participate in reunions at the Village.

• **Care Packages:** For soldiers without family in Israel.

• **Mentoring:** Retired IDF veterans help newly-released IDF soldiers.

• **Special Events:** Graduate weddings, celebrations and other life cycle events are hosted at the Village.

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Dima Gilberg

Dima’s family struggled financially throughout his youth and, in 2001, he moved from Ukraine to Israel by himself. Yemin Orde Youth Village welcomed him immediately. Dima was active in the Village’s tikkun olam (social justice) programs, and enjoyed playing sports. He later served in the Israel Defense Forces as a field medic in a combat unit. Today, Dima works for an Israeli technology company.

“I feel the presence of Yemin Orde throughout my entire life. I volunteer with organizations that help families and individuals who live in severe poverty situations,” he said.

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Tamara Shein Shneor

Tamara grew up in a difficult family environment in Tehran, Iran, alleviated by a brief break with relatives in the United States. As a teen, Tamara found her way to Israel, alone, in search of a safe haven to call home. “My life changed when I arrived at Yemin Orde,” she said. “I had low self-esteem because I had suffered so much instability as a child.”

After serving in Israel’s military, she studied criminology, psychology and sociology at Bar Ilan University. Today, she has a family of her own and serves as a police officer and investigator in her department’s domestic violence unit.
Haim Rubovitch
Chief Executive Officer, Village Way Educational Initiatives

Haim Rubovitch served for 26 years as a high-level executive in the Israeli Security Agency (Shin Bet) before a career switch to education management. "I had the understanding that while quality defense organizations are critical for our existence, our security depends first and foremost on the moral quality of the State of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state. Our existence depends on our human quality in all aspects of life and work. We cannot achieve this without proper education and educational frameworks that lead the way."

In just 12 years, Haim and his team of facilitators and educators at Village Way Educational Initiatives (VWEI) have created one of the most successful and impactful educational organizations in Israel. "The impact is broader and more profound than I dreamed it would be," Haim said.

Haim believes the Village Way methodology can benefit every student regardless of religion, cultural identity or socio-economic background. "We must first engage with youth in situations of risk and move toward reducing educational disadvantage to those segments of society. I believe that in the future, the Village Way will find a place in the wider world of education as a whole," said Haim.

Haim received a BA in Political Science and an MA in Political Science and International Relations; both degrees are from the University of Haifa. Haim and his wife, Vardit, have three children and four grandchildren. Haim enjoys reading, hiking and photography.

Amit Treister
Director, Informal Education, Yemin Orde Youth Village

Amit Treister’s education career has allowed him to travel the world building community and strengthening Jewish identity in Russia, Uzbekistan, Ukraine, Australia, South Africa, the United States and France. His years abroad, as well as his education management expertise, offers strong leadership to the Village’s important team of Informal Educators.

Informal Educators live at the Village and serve as fulltime mentors to Yemin Orde’s at-risk youth. Much like a mother and a father, they are present in the children’s lives, 24/7. Amit has deep respect for his team of Informal Educators. He works hard to create a supportive environment for them, which, in turn, helps reduce staff turnover and provides greater continuity of care for the Village’s at-risk youth. “Our Informal Educators are very caring and loving people. They understand the value and importance of their work and how impactful they are in regard to the children,” Amit said.

Amit’s own life experiences living in vastly different global communities defines his holistic and patient approach to his mission. “I tell our Informal Educators to be authentic, to bring their life experiences into the relationships, to believe in our children even when they rebel and kick…to be with them all the way,” he said.

Amit received a BA and MA in Education and a teaching certificate from Bar Ilan University and an MA in Public Policy from Hebrew University. Amit and his wife, Hadar, have four children and live at Yemin Orde Youth Village.
OUR EDUCATIONAL PARTNERS

Below is a list of the 36 educational communities in Israel that have partnered in the Village Way process.

**New Communities 2017-2018**

**Youth Villages**
- Alumim Youth Village
- Zoharim Youth Village

**Community High Schools**
- Miftan Tamra High School*
- Ormat Ort Technical High School
- Psgaot Ort High School
- Yitzchak Shamir Ort High School

**Continuing Communities**

**Youth Villages**
- Nahalat Yehuda

**Community High Schools**
- Emunah Torah and Arts
- Ibn Rushd Tamra Technology*
- Jisr a-Zarqa Atid Technology*
- Makr-Jdede Naamat*
- Mitarani Holon Ort Technology
- Tel Nof Air Force Ort Technical

**Graduate Communities**
(Completed the three-year Village Way process.)

**Youth Villages**
- Aloney Yitzchak
- Hadassah Neurim
- Kedma
- Kfar Hassidim
- Ktziney Yam Ort Ashdod
- Manof
- Neve Amiel
- Neve Hadassah
- TOM

**High Schools**
- Adivi Ashkelon Ort Technology
- Ashdod Amal Technology
- Beit Ha’arava Ort Technology
- Be’it She’an Ort Technology
- Branco-Weiss Tachkimoni School
- Daliyat Al Carmel Atid Technology
- Mahat Akko Ort Technology*
- Marom Akko Ort Technology
- Shimshon Amal Technology
- Tel Aviv Amal Technology
- Yad Shapira Ort Technology

**Residential Communities**
- Beit HaBoger
- Eden
- Talpiot

*Schools in Arab communities.

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**Gap Year Leadership Programs**

Village Way’s Gap Year Leadership Programs for immigrant men and women (Mechinot, plural for Mechina, which is Hebrew for these programs) are successful one-year preparatory programs following high school. Classes include financial management, public speaking and conflict resolution as well as training in physical fitness and leadership skills. The goal is to provide additional support to marginalized immigrant youth with important life skills to help ensure a successful and productive life following mandatory military service.

These programs operate under the auspices of Village Way Educational Initiatives.

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**1953**
- Yemin Orde Youth Village founded

**2008**
- Village Way Educational Initiatives expands to 5 other youth villages

**2017**
- 36 Educational communities, serving 14,200 youth and 1,775 Educators

**2021**
- 59 Educational communities, serving 25,000 youth and 2,800 Educators

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**Our Staff: Empowering Educators**

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MAKING A MEANINGFUL IMPACT

Teaching Your Children Well
For the Rosenfelds, a family trip to Israel provided a learning opportunity for their teenage son and shaped a new way for them all to engage in philanthropy. “Even at 13 years old, I vividly remember that first visit to Yemin Orde. The Village embodied everything that the State of Israel stands for and that is so compelling to me,” said Michael Rosenfeld, who first toured Israel in 1996 to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah.

Now, 22 years later, father and son are helping to improve the education and future for Israel’s youth at risk through their multi-generational giving to Friends of Yemin Orde. Today, Michael sits on the Friends of Yemin Orde board of directors as a Board Observer. The Board Observer program introduces young leaders to Yemin Orde and encourages the next generation of philanthropic giving. Michael’s father, Steven Rosenfeld, MD, has served as a Board Member for 18 years.

Steven Rosenfeld learned about charitable giving while growing up, through examples set by his parents. As a parent himself, he wanted to teach his own children the importance of taking care of others and to learn how to give.

“My parents always taught their children the value of tzedekah - charitable giving to heal the world. Yemin Orde became a natural focal point for multiple generations of our family to support. Our children grew up over two decades of witnessing, first hand, how my wife, Lisa, and I would host Chaim Peri, Susan Weijel, Karen Sallerson, the Yemin Orde Youth Choir and other visitors from Israel in our home and synagogue,” Steven Rosenfeld said. “It is a true honor and a privilege to be able to serve on the board of directors with my son and my best friend, Michael.”

“I am so proud to support the Yemin Orde team’s efforts to help its teens continue to grow and to make a difference in as many at-risk young lives in Israel as possible,” Michael said.

New Capital Projects
Construction is underway for two new children’s homes at Yemin Orde Youth Village. Boston philanthropists, Douglas and Judith Krupp, provided a 1:1 match up to $1 million to build the two new homes for 50 children at the Village.

Manny and Brigitta Davidson, philanthropists from the United Kingdom, have pledged $4.5 million toward a new auditorium and cultural center at the Village, on the condition that Friends of Yemin Orde raise $1 million for the project. Contact Karen@yeminorde.org for great designation opportunities.

Dedication of Henry and Marcel Blank Soccer Field
Yemin Orde Youth Village dedicated its new soccer field complex on Oct. 15, 2017, in memory of two Jewish athletes who played on the Maccabia soccer team of Rzeszow, Poland, and who later perished in the Holocaust. The soccer field is named in memory of Henry (Hersch Tvi) and Marcel (Mordechai) Blank, the father and uncle, respectively, of George Blank, who serves as Board Chair of Friends of Yemin Orde. The field is named “Shal Hevet”, which means the flame in Hebrew.

L-R: Michael Rosenfeld, Afton Rosenfeld, Chaim Peri, Lisa Rosenfeld, Julie Rosenfeld, Steven Rosenfeld, MD

Auditorium and cultural center is the largest transformative building project ever assumed at Yemin Orde.
YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK

A $7,000 annual gift provides the critical life skills and academic support not covered by the government of Israel for one child at Yemin Orde Youth Village.

Your support also allows Village Way Educational Initiatives to empower more educators throughout Israel in the Village Way educational methodology. In so doing, educators can better meet the psychological, emotional and educational needs of their vulnerable students and help turn their troubled lives around.

*Your investment transforms the lives of thousands of at-risk youth in Israel.*

Friends of Yemin Orde in Your Community

We are grateful to our generous donors for introducing Friends of Yemin Orde to their local communities. Throughout the year, our Israeli leaders and graduates come to the United States to visit supporters and hold informational discussions in private homes, synagogues, offices and schools. In 2017, Yemin Orde representatives visited Boston, MA; Boca Raton, Miami and Palm Beach, FL; Cincinnati, OH; Los Angeles, CA; Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, PA, plus communities in New Jersey and New York. Email info@yeminorde.org to get involved and help spread the word in your community about our important mission.

*In Los Angeles:* Shirin Yadegar, on the left, hosts event at her home to introduce Friends of Yemin Orde to her community.

*In Miami (left to right):* Nadine Foldes, Batya Shmueli, Staff, Yemin Orde Youth Village, and Craig Foldes.

2017 B’nai Mitzvah Wall of Honor Additions

Talia Jacobsohn
Bethesda, Maryland

Coby Rabinowitz
Closter, New Jersey

Leyah Solomon
Gladwyne, Pennsylvania

Bella Yadegar
Los Angeles, California

Thank you to these teens for providing a minimum of $1,800 from their *B’nai Mitzvah Tzedakah* project.

From survival to leadership. Your gift makes a difference.
FINANCIALS: FISCAL YEAR ENDING 12.31.17

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (AUDITED)

INCOME
Contributions, Grants and Pledges $10,732,082
Interest and Investment Income $1,703,951
TOTAL INCOME $12,436,033

EXPENSES
Program Services:
Grants for Yemin Orde Youth Village $3,835,560
Grants for Village Way
   Educational Initiatives $3,414,977
Total Program Services $7,250,537
Support Services:
   General and Administrative $334,292
   Fundraising $620,820
Total Support Services $955,112

TOTAL EXPENSES $8,205,649

Changes in Net Assets from Operations $4,230,384
Net Assets (Beginning of year) $21,572,760

NET ASSETS (END OF YEAR) $25,803,144

Friends of Yemin Orde
continues to receive a Four Star rating from Charity Navigator for exemplary fundraising administration.

SUSTAINING FRIENDS

A Friends of Yemin Orde Sustaining Friend is a donor who makes or renews a commitment of $1,000 or more to the current year’s Annual Campaign AND agrees to renew the annual commitment for the following year or more.

We are grateful to the donors, recognized in bold type on the following Honor Roll pages, who have indicated by May 31, 2018 their intent to continue their 2017 gift in 2018 or beyond. Sustaining Friends enable us to set our fundraising goals with confidence. If you are interested in becoming a Sustaining Friend, please call 202.237.0286 or email karen@yeminorde.org.
Thank you

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Recognition program for friends who have included Friends of Yemin Orde in their estate plans.
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Established to provide annual financial support in perpetuity.
Susan E. Pollack Fund (Scholarships)
Recant Family Fund (Scholarships)

Hattie and Arnold Segal Fund (Learning Center)
Ben Snyder Fund (Scholarships)
Marvin Tucker Memorial Education Fund (Computer Center)

Federations and Organizations
The following made a gift in 2017.
Abraham Joshua Heschel School, NY
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B’nai David-Judea Congregation, CA
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Central Synagogue, NY
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Friends Exploring Judaism
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Iranian American Jewish Federation of New York (IAJF)
Israel Children’s Aid Network
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Temple Israel of Hollywood, CA
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The Community Synagogue, NY
United Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh
Zionist House/Israel Cultural Center

We apologize if we have inadvertently missed your name on the Honor Roll. Please excuse any spelling errors.

Honor Roll
These categories reflect total giving January 1 through December 31, 2017 to Friends of Yemin Orde.

$1,000,000 +
The Marcus Foundation
The Azeez Foundation
Linda and Michael Frieze
Gelfand Family Charitable Trust
Paula and Jerry Gottesman z”l
Nancy Reichman and Charlie Gwirtsman

$250,000 - $499,999
Anonymous
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Fineshriber Family Foundation

$100,000 - $249,999
Anonymous
The Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Foundation
Michael Gordon
Nancy and Stephen Grand
One 8 Foundation
Susan Rothenberg
Judy and Josh Weston

$50,000 - $99,999
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