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CUSTOMIZED CONNECTIONS

Programs for New Olim Ages 18-35



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For more information see the back cover.

TAKE THE FIRST STEPS TO A LIFETIME IN ISRAEL

For more than 80 years, The Jewish Agency for Israel has been synonymous with Aliyah. So far, more than three million people from around the world have come and built their homes in Israel with our help.

This booklet will introduce you to absorption programs designed for young immigrants.

Participation in any of these programs will give you the opportunity to learn Hebrew, visit important heritage sites throughout the country, and learn to become part of Israeli society. Our absorption professionals will be there for you along the way, providing guidance while you take your first steps in Israel.

The programs described here are located all across Israel. Some have two sessions a year; others have start dates every few weeks. Some have been running for decades and have tens of thousands of successful alumni; others are new programs we established to address different groups' needs. There are diverse options: Hebrew language courses on kibbutzim and in cities; preparation for college or graduate studies; guidance for employment; and preparation for recruitment into the IDF. What all of the programs have in common is that they were developed to help new young immigrants integrate into the country, taking your unique needs into account.

The decision to immigrate to Israel is a significant choice. We suggest that you contact our representatives (see below and the back cover), who will be happy to meet with you and assist you in your immigration process.

We wish you a "soft landing" and successful absorption. Welcome to Israel.

Yehuda Sharf

Director

Aliyah, Absorption and Special Operations Unit

Get Connected and Get Started

If you are already in Israel, call the Global Center at 1-800-228-055.

If you live North America: To apply for Aliyah, call our partner, Nefesh B'Nefesh, at 1-866-4-ALIYAH.

For details on Jewish Agency programs, call 1-866-835-0430 (USA), 1-866-421-8912 (Canada), or 1-888-572-8269 (Russian-speakers in USA or Canada).

If you live in South America, Europe, the FSU, or anywhere else in the world, contact your local Jewish Agency shaliach or the Global Center (see the back page of this booklet for contact information from your location), or fill out the forms at jewishagency.org/PersonalAliyah.

THE BASICS

WHAT IS ULPAN?

The key to success in Israel is Hebrew fluency, so most of the programs in this booklet include “ulpan”: intensive, immersive Hebrew-language instruction for five hours each day, five days a week, for five months. The instructors, certified by the Ministry of Education, weave together a variety of techniques, technology, and subject matter to help students improve their language skills. The Jewish Agency’s state-of-the-art courses are given at different levels and include units on Israeli culture and trips around Israel, to enhance your learning experience.

HEADING TO UNIVERSITY?

The Israel Student Authority operates through the Ministry of Immigrant Absorption. It provides tuition grants to eligible new immigrant students for undergraduate and graduate degrees, and for practical engineering and some certificate studies. It also provides social activities, career counseling, and tutoring.

You can contact the Student Authority at aceng@moia.gov.il (in English), acfr@moia.gov.il (French), aclat@moia.gov.il (Spanish), or acrus@moia.gov.il (Russian). If you’re worried about jumping straight into Israeli college or graduate school, check out our TAKA preparatory programs on pages 9-11, or ask the Student Authority about “mechinah.”

A NOTE ABOUT THE IDF:

Depending on your age, marital status, and other factors, you may be required to serve in the Israel Defense Forces at some point after your move to Israel. Your shaliach can explain how long you may be required to serve (if at all) and what to expect from the draft process. If you are making Aliyah by yourself, you are likely to be eligible for special assistance as a “lone soldier.”

A GIFT FROM THE ISRAELI PEOPLE:

As a new immigrant, you will receive sal klitah (“absorption basket”) payments from the government of Israel each month for the first 6 months to assist you as you get started. The amounts probably won’t cover all your expenses, but are large enough to be a significant help. Talk to your shaliach or the Global Center to find out precise details.

ULPAN ETZION NETWORK

Tens of Thousands of Alumni Speaking Hebrew Every Day

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Ulpan Etzion was the very first ulpan in Israel, founded in 1949 in Jerusalem, and has served as the model for all The Jewish Agency’s highly successful Hebrew-language courses. Since 1949 it has welcomed tens of thousands of young new immigrants, and has expanded to locations around the country. At Ulpan Etzion, the halls are abuzz with a variety of languages and the comings and goings of young professionals and students from all over the world who are learning Hebrew at different levels. The studies include trips around the country, social and recreational activities, and workshops about Israeli society and career-building.

Each Etzion location has two starting dates per year; speak with your shaliach to find out which one might be best for you.

ADMISSION

Classes are open to college graduates aged 22-35.

On-campus accommodation is available to singles (in all Etzion locations) and married couples without children (in Jerusalem, Ra’anana, and Be’er Sheva).

Admission for all off-campus students, of any family status, is on a case-by-case basis.

► ULPAN ETZION - JERUSALEM

Ulpan Etzion Jerusalem is located at the Beit Canada Absorption Center in the quiet, residential neighborhood of Armon Hanatziv. From Beit Canada it is a 15-30 minute bus ride to the city center, universities, and entertainment venues. Within walking distance are a supermarket, pharmacy, post office, health clinic, community center, and banks. Beit Canada has 116 housing units, classrooms, a TV lounge, laundry room, synagogue, wireless internet, library, gym, and computer room. The apartments each have one or two rooms (with two students sharing each room), a kitchenette, and a bathroom. The rooms come with basic furnishings, central heating, hot water, and utilities; residents bring their own linens, blankets, and dishes. The dining hall serves lunch and dinner each day, with a vegetarian option.





▶ **ULPAN ETZION CARMEL – HAIFA**

Israel's third-largest city, Haifa has a breathtaking coastline on one side and the Carmel mountains on the other. It offers a high quality of life, with world-class educational institutions, a hi-tech zone, and six hospitals. The city is characterized by its pluralism.

Although the majority of Ulpán Carmel students live off-campus, those who reside in its Port Campus are housed in newly-renovated, four-bedroom apartments with one student per room. Each apartment includes a bathroom, kitchenette, basic furnishings, air-conditioning, and wireless internet. Lunch is provided. Residents must provide their own bedding and towels. The facilities include a laundry room.

▶ **ULPAN ETZION – RA'ANANA**

Ra'anana is a thriving, upscale city near Tel Aviv that was first established by Jewish pioneers from the United States. Its trademark is one of tolerance and mutual respect, community life, and volunteerism. The professional management of the municipality, excellent educational system, beautiful parks and gardens, and outstanding cultural programs all make the city of Ra'anana the "Pearl of the Sharon" and the Ulpán Etzion Ra'anana the "Jewel in the Crown."

Each apartment at Ulpán Etzion Ra'anana has a kitchenette, bathroom, enclosed storage balcony, and basic furnishings. Singles are placed together in one- and two-bedroom apartments, with two occupants per room; couples each have their own studio apartment. The facility includes a computer room, recreation room, and lounge.

▶ **ULPAN ETZION – RAMLA**

Ulpán students live in Kiryat Menachem, one of Ramla's best neighborhoods, in apartments of four or five rooms, with one student in each room. The apartments each include an equipped kitchen with a refrigerator, bathrooms, basic furnishings, washing machine, and internet connection. Married couples can register as external students or as internal students if they are ready to share an apartment with other people. Married couples get 2 rooms.

Participants study in the morning hours and are free in the afternoons. Many find employment in Ramla or the cities nearby.

Ulpán Etzion Ramla partners with a local municipal center to provide assistance in career counseling. Registration at Ulpán Etzion Ramla entitles you to free entrance at Ramla's swimming pool and gym.

▶ **ULPAN ETZION YE'ELIM – BE'ER SHEVA**

As the largest city in the Negev Desert, Be'er Sheva is considered "the capital of the Negev," and is known for its large student population and high percentage of young-adult residents. Be'er Sheva is home to Ben-Gurion University and the renowned Soroka Medical Center. Many high-tech companies and plants, including those of Teva Pharmaceutical Industries and Israel Aerospace Industries, are located in and around Be'er Sheva, and a new high-tech park is being built near the city's North Railway Station. Be'er Sheva also has interesting museums, theater, music, and other cultural offerings.

The Ulpán Etzion program is housed at The Jewish Agency's Ye'elim Absorption Center in Be'er Sheva, near a shopping center, post office, grocery store, and bakery. The 156 housing units include 2- and 3-bedroom apartments, each with a kitchenette, bathroom, small dining area, and basic furnishings. Ulpán Etzion students are housed one student per bedroom. The apartments come with hot water (a small electric boiler in each apartment). The facilities include a laundry room. Students may order connections for television, cable television, and the internet at their own expense.

START DATES:

Ulpán Etzion Jerusalem - January and July; Ulpán Etzion Haifa - April and October; Ulpán Etzion Ra'anana – March and September; Ulpán Etzion Ramla - February and September; Ulpán Etzion Be'er Sheva – October.

FYI: Movilim, located in Kiryat Yam, is an program for olim aged 35 – 42; it includes assistance in the process of employment (providing information, personal meetings, career guidance).

START DATES: May and November

For more details speak with your shaliach, call the Global Center, or email mkkiryatyam@jafi.org



The Jewish Agency has
been helping people
make Aliyah since 1929 –
and we're here for you, too.

TAKA

MAKING STUDIES IN ISRAEL POSSIBLE

The 3-Step recommended Route to Academic Success in Israel

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The TAKA program will help you prepare for college, graduate, or certificate studies in Israel.

Comprised of 3 steps:

STEP 1: Preliminary Ulpan. Choose any regular 5-month ulpan (for example, Ulpan Etzion, Kibbutz Ulpan) or one of the “pre-TAKA” ulpanim offered at Beit Brodetsky (see page 12) or the Ashkelon Academic College.

STEP 2: TAKA’s pre-academic 5-month program. This includes courses in academic Hebrew, English, and the social sciences, with an emphasis on academic writing. The program includes elective courses, career counseling, and social activities. It is intensive, with classes 5 days a week from 8 am to 4 pm.

STEP 3: Summer Ulpan. Choose a 5-to-6-week intensive, academic Hebrew ulpan program either at Tel Aviv University, Ashkelon Academic College, or Hadassah Academic College in Jerusalem.

ADMISSION

Admittance is conditional upon successfully passing a Hebrew exam.

You may be eligible for TAKA if you are a new immigrant up to age 30 and fall into any one of the

following categories:

- You are exempt from mechinah prerequisites
- You have studied in college or university abroad
- You are aiming towards a BA or MA degree
- You wish to study in an institution that does not require mechinah
- You have completed a bagrut-equivalent high school (for example, the IB, Abitur, GCSE + A-levels)

REGISTRATION

Every candidate for TAKA is advised to open a student file, either in Israel (if you have already made Aliyah) or via the Israel Student Authority’s Pre-Aliyah Services (if you still live abroad).

Go to www.highereducation.gov.il

To register for your specific TAKA locations, see the chart on the next page.

TAKA:

THE 3-STEP ROUTE TO ACADEMIC SUCCESS IN ISRAEL

	What	Where	When	Dorms	Register from Israel	Register from Abroad
Tel Aviv	Preliminary Ulpan	Beit Brodetsky	Starting dates according to academic calendar and Jewish holidays	Beit Brodetsky: 7,450 Shekels 3 payments Beit.brodetsky@gmail.com	shellya@moia.gov.il Tel: 03-5209190 Summer ulpan Herzeliya ulpanrris@idc.ac.il	aceng@moia.gov.il
	TAKA	Tel Aviv University				
	Summer Ulpan	Tel Aviv				
Ashkelon	Preliminary Ulpan	Ashkelon Academic College	Ulpan and TAKA usually open twice a year in Sept/Oct and Feb/March	Barnea Absorption Center: around 520-600 NIS per month	bsstudents@moia.gov.il Tel: 08-626-1229	
	TAKA	New! 1,000 shekel monthly grants for students coming to Ashkelon*				
	Summer Ulpan					
Jerusalem	TAKA (opens twice a year)	Hadassah Academic College	Summer Ulpan July/Aug	Bet Canada Absorption Center: 1,100 NIS per month	Jrstudents@moia.gov.il Tel: 02-621-4542/48	
	Summer Ulpan		Check specific dates for your year, via the emails listed			

* Accurate for 2018 programming

TAKA Ashkelon and Tel Aviv opens once a year, TAKA Jerusalem opens twice a year

The Israel Student Authority operates through the Ministry of Aliyah and Integration and provides tuition grants, academic assistance, information, and advice for immigrant students studying in Israel. Joint participants in running these programs are The Jewish Agency, the academic institutions, and the Ministry of Education, who are professionally responsible for the Hebrew instruction.

BEIT BRODETSKY YOUNG OLIM PROGRAM

Up-and-Coming College and Grad Students, Lighting Up Tel Aviv

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Tel Aviv-Jaffa, on the Mediterranean coast, is the center of Israel's economy, culture, communications, and commerce, and also is home to the main cultural centers in Israel. Beit Brodetsky is located in the north of Tel Aviv in the neighborhood of Ramat Aviv. This modern and prestigious area is home to Tel Aviv University, as well as other colleges, museums, parks, restaurants, and bars.

The Beit Brodetsky Young Olim Program lasts 5 months and is geared towards young adults (19-35). Its purpose is to provide you with the necessary tools for your klita (absorption) and to be a springboard for your entry to Israeli society. The goal of the Ulpan is to provide you with a strong base in the Hebrew language and to provide the guidance and support needed for successful integration in Israel.

The program includes:

- 25 weekly hours of Hebrew classes during the morning (5 hours per day)
- Individual guidance and counseling
- Preparation for life in Israel
- Guided tours, trips, and Jewish and Israeli festival events
- Employment consulting, workshops, and lectures

Admission: To be eligible for the Beit Brodetsky Young Olim Program, you must be a new immigrant with a high school diploma who is single and between the ages of 19-35. Married couples without children are also eligible.

Dorms: Participants live in 2 room apartments, with two residents assigned to each room. Every apartment is equipped with basic furniture and contains:

- Kitchen: refrigerator, microwave, kettle and a hotplate.
- Bedroom: 2 single beds (with mattress), 1 closet, 2 desks, 2 chairs, heater and air conditioning.
- Bathroom.

Participants are required to provide their own linens (bedding and towels etc.), warm blanket, pillow, kitchenware (including pan, dishes etc.) and are responsible for preparing their own meals.

Cost: 7450 NIS + 500 NIS deposit

The cost is including use of utilities (water, electricity, wi-fi, TV). It is divided into 3 payments that will be transferred from your bank account during the program. The deposit of 500 NIS will be returned at the conclusion of the program if the participants have fulfilled all of their obligations.

Start Dates: Usually the program starts after the holidays: April-May / October-November

External Studies: There is an option to participate in the program as external student – studying in the ulpan and participating in all the activities (without living at the dorms). The cost for olim is 750 shekel for the five months.

ULPAN KINNERET

Hebrew Language and Employment Preparation
on the Shore of Lake Kinneret

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Start your new life in Israel with a five-month ulpan, job and army preparation, cultural activities, and a chance to meet other new immigrants from around the globe. Located in Tiberias, Ulpan Kinneret includes trips to Jerusalem, the Negev, and other areas of the Galilee, and personal assistance finding employment in the Kinneret region. Accommodations are in furnished apartments, with two students per room.

ADMISSION

Ulpan Kinneret is open to new immigrants ages 18-30 who hold high school diplomas.

ABOUT TIBERIAS AND LAKE KINNERET

The city of Tiberias sits on the shore of Lake Kinneret (also known as the Sea of Galilee) in northeast Israel. Lake Kinneret is the main source of water for the country, and its beauty and historical importance draw millions of tourists.

Tiberias is the largest city near the Kinneret and serves as the cultural, business, and administrative center of the Kinneret and Jordan Valley regions. It is an ancient city, with many fascinating archeological sites and landmark buildings, and also a modern one, with a waterfront promenade, open parkland, shopping, restaurants, and modern hotels. The main industry of the city is tourism. At the lake, you can enjoy a variety of water sports and a beautiful view.

START DATES: November and May changeable

FOR MORE INFORMATION: yoelh@tiberias.muni.il



KIBBUTZ ULPAN

The Classic Israeli Experience

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Kibbutz Ulpan has long been considered one of the most successful programs for young adults who want to learn Hebrew and experience a lifestyle unique to Israel, while meeting other young Jews from around the world. On the five-month Kibbutz Ulpan program, you will:

- study with your peers in intensive Hebrew-language courses for 24 hours each week.
- perform volunteer work on your host kibbutz, also for 24 hours weekly. The type of work depends on the needs of the kibbutz.
- have access to a rich variety of cultural activities organized by the kibbutz and by The Jewish Agency

Alumni of Kibbutz Ulpan typically enter university, join the IDF, or embark on careers in Israel. For your convenience each Kibbutz offers two start dates during the year.

ADMISSION

Kibbutz Ulpan is open to singles and couples, ages 18-30, without children. Admission is subject to an interview with a shaliach or program coordinator. You must receive written permission from a doctor for this labor-intensive program. Participants must be physically and mentally equipped for kibbutz life and come with a willingness to work. The program is open to tourists as well as olim, at a different price; contact us for information.

ABOUT THE KIBBUTZIM

Kibbutz Ulpan is hosted by 7 kibbutzim around Israel, which vary in size, climate, industry, and character:

Tzuba | Ein Hashofet | Na'an | Mishmar Ha'emek | Sde Eliyahu (Modern Orthodox) | Yagoor | Ma'agan Michael

Most kibbutzim offer dormitory-style living arrangements and recreational facilities such as a swimming pool, library, and lounge. It is recommended to consult with your shaliach about which kibbutz would be best for you. Placement is based on personal preference, availability, and the start dates of ulpan classes.

START DATES: varies by kibbutz and depends on demand

New!

At Kibbutz Tzuba, an Ulpan Etzion program within the lifestyle of Kibbutz Ulpan, exclusively for college graduates aged 22-35.

KIBBUTZ ULPAN



Map is not to scale



TECH & THE CITY

Residential Ulpan for Young High-Tech Professionals

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Tech & The City is a five-month Hebrew-language Absorption program geared specifically for educated, motivated high-tech students and professionals. Meet and network with peers from around the world who share your interests, enjoy the services of a dedicated staff and mentors to guide you, and take advantage of the thriving economy and pleasant residential atmosphere of the city of Haifa.

This program includes:

Haifa High-Tech Experience: Course in English to help you build a professional future in Israel. 12 sessions include: lectures on the Israeli high-tech and start-up scenes from industry experts; individual consulting and workshops with Israeli HR professionals; visits to leading companies; and mentorship from professionals in Haifa.

Ulpan: Intensive Hebrew language instruction 5 hours a day, 5 days a week, for 5 months. Classes are held at Ulpan Etzion Carmel-Haifa, at seven different levels.

Adoptive Family: Local families help participants acclimate to life in Haifa.

Activities: Trips around Israel and to attractions within Haifa, weekly Shabbat activities, regular “Hebrew café,” and other programs for creating a sense of community and enriching your experience.

Helpful Staff: Your program coordinator and a counselor will be happy to assist you from the moment you register until the completion of the program.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Participants are housed in pairs (two singles or a married couple without children) in furnished studio apartments in the Haifa Port Campus. The program fees include both rent and utilities. Students can also find their own housing if they prefer.

ADMISSION: New immigrants aged 22-35 who have completed an academic degree (undergraduate or graduate) in a field related to the high-tech industry, and who are interested in connecting with high-tech companies located in the Science and Industrial Park of Haifa.

START DATES:

April/May and October/November

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact Asya Chairsky, Program Manager,
at asyac@jafi.org, TechAndTheCity@jafi.org or Etzion-Camel@jafi.org,
or call + 972-52-228-7397.

FIRST HOME IN THE HOMELAND

Kibbutz-Based Absorption for Immigrant Families

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

First Home in the Homeland provides young families with a warm environment on a kibbutz for your first 6 or 12 months in Israel.

The Jewish Agency will carefully match you with one of the 30 participating kibbutzim in the Negev and the Galilee, where you will be assigned a coordinator to introduce you to your new community and help you get settled. For the first six months, you will study in ulpan either three or five mornings weekly, while your children attend schools on the kibbutz or nearby. After completing ulpan, you will have the option to extend your stay another half-year; most olim use that time to find employment in the area, continue in advanced ulpan, or join vocational courses.

Accommodations are simple apartments or caravans with basic furnishings and kitchenettes. You will have access to kibbutz resources such as the health clinic, grocery store, and laundry service. Some kibbutzim also offer a dining room with reasonably-priced breakfasts and lunches, a pool, or a library. You will also receive municipal services such as access to local medical care, sports fields, playgrounds, pools, etc., and participate in social and recreational activities with kibbutz members. Each kibbutz also provides after-school care for school-age children six days a week and on holidays. Additionally, local recreation centers offer after-school sports, music, ballet, and the like.

Throughout your stay, your coordinator will be there to assist you. Following your absorption through First Home in the Homeland most kibbutzim will give you the option to stay on as residents, or to apply for kibbutz membership.

ADMISSION

First Home in the Homeland is open to adult couples up to age 45, including families with children aged 6 months to 15 years. The adults must:

- have visited Israel at least once in the past,
- have clean bills of health, both physically and mentally, and
- hold a bagrut-level high school diploma (e.g. the IB, Abitur, or GCSE + A-levels) OR hold an Education Ministry-recognized undergraduate degree.

Prices are subject to the number of children and the schools and activities in which they enroll.

START DATES: vary by region and are available throughout the year.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: ElenaKo@jafi.org



GARIN TZABAR (WITH TZOFIM - ISRAELI SCOUTS)

Instant Family for IDF Recruits

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Starting before your Aliyah, Garin Tzabar builds close groups of Diaspora Jews, along with Israelis who have been living abroad from a young age, who have chosen to move to Israel and serve in the IDF. Part of what makes Garin Tzabar unique is the intensive preparation in which all group members must participate prior to your arrival in Israel, consisting of four seminars. Your framework of guidance and support starts well before you get onto the plane (there are also seminars for those who are already in Israel).

Upon arrival in Israel, each group is adopted by the Israel Scouts (israelscouts.org) and placed in a host community. For three months, you will live in the community (kibbutz or city) that quickly becomes the group's home away from home.

For three months, you will live in the community and your Garin group will receive special services to ease your absorption into Israeli life. You will participate in seminars with educators and soldiers to develop unity within your Garin, and to prepare for your army service. You will also learn Hebrew and Israeli history and culture.

Once inducted into the IDF, the Garin members go into separate army units according to their interests and abilities, but you will see each other often, heading home to your kibbutz or city for weekends and holidays throughout your army service, and keeping in touch with your Garin Tzabar family.

ADMISSION

To join Garin Tzabar, you must be at least 18 years old (or turning 18 by the end of November after your entrance date) and up to 22 (females) or 23 (males). You must be a high school graduate (12 years) or be in the process of completing high school before joining the Garin; have reasonable Hebrew fluency; have a total accumulated time of visits to Israel of at least two months; and be committed to participating in the program as defined in the admissions packet. You will also have to present a Certificate of Good Conduct – proof that you have no criminal record.

START DATE: The kibbutz or community stage starts in August or December; seminars take place in the months prior—schedules vary by region.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: contact garineu@israelscouts.org

WINGS

Services and Continuing Support for Lone Soldiers

Every year, hundreds of brave young men and women move to Israel and join the Israel Defense Forces as “Lone Soldiers.” We know it's not easy to serve in the IDF when you are a new immigrant, and your family lives far away. It's often tough, not having close family members to stay with on the weekends or support you through a crisis.

The Jewish Agency's Wings program provides a continuum of services for Lone Immigrant Soldiers, so that as you move through your army service you can receive the help you need.

Depending on your eligibility, you can receive:

- Help understanding and receiving your rights as a soldier.
- Support if a crisis arises.
- A personal mentor, in the form of another lone immigrant who recently finished his or her army service, provided through our partnership with the Israeli “Big Brother” Association.
- A five-day seminar, when you approach your discharge date, to help you prepare for civilian life.

The seminar includes workshops on your rights as a lone soldier who becomes a civilian, budgeting and personal finance, job market trends and tools for entering the workforce, college opportunities and available courses of study in Israel, taxes, and insurance. As you make Aliyah and join the IDF, your discharge probably seems far into the future, but it will come quickly; remember to contact The Jewish Agency about this informative seminar.

- Ongoing personal, career, and financial guidance for up to two years following your army discharge, for graduates of the seminar.
- WINGS- alumni network and social activities on a monthly basis, including courses, workshops and parties for optimal integration into Israeli society.
For assistance through Wings, call us at 1-800-303-040 / 02-6202894
E-mail: info@wings.org.il



WE’LL SEE YOU THROUGH

Your first several months as an Israeli will be a time of intense changes, and the staff at your program will be there to guide you. But what about the months and years to come after your program ends? Don’t worry, we won’t leave you; The Jewish Agency has a variety of programs and services to help you succeed

HECHVEN CENTER

Guidance, Advice, and Support Center for New Olim
Hechven offers a group of services available to you after your Aliyah, both before and after you finish an Absorption Program. It operates at various Kibbutz Ulpan and Ulpan Etzion locations, and at the offices of The Jewish Agency in Tel Aviv. Hechven is available to anyone ages 17-35 who has ever been part of one of our other Young Adult Absorption programs – even if, for any reason, you didn’t finish it.

Hechven is there to help you integrate into your home in Israel, and realize your full potential as an Israeli citizen, through:

- Workshops on Israeli culture and integrating into Israeli society.
- Career counseling.
- Assistance in finding employment.
- Academic guidance.
- Psychological support.
- Connection to relevant social services.
- Workshops on managing personal finances.
- Personal mentors in the form of “Big Brother” volunteers – other young immigrants who made Aliyah without their families, and who have successfully integrated into Israeli society.
- Preparation for IDF service.
- Financial assistance in times of crisis.
- Service in your native language, when available.

For information email Ran at Ran@wings.org.il
www.wings.org.il | www.wings.org.il | www.facebook.com/wingsidf

NEED MORE GUIDANCE?

The Jewish Agency has been the global Jewish family’s Israel connection for over 80 years, and we’re here for you, too.

To find your nearest Jewish Agency Shaliach: jewishagency.org/FindShaliach

To ask questions online: http://www.jewishagency.org/Global_Center

To apply for immigration to Israel: jewishagency.org/PersonalAliyah

If you are from the US or Canada and want to apply for immigration: nbn.org.il (our partner, Nefesh B’Nefesh)

From English-Speaking Countries:

To ask questions by phone, contact The Jewish Agency’s Global Center toll free:

Language	Country	Toll Free from Abroad	Email
English	U.S.A.	1-866-835-0430	gci-en@jafi.org
	Canada	1-866-421-8912	
	Canada & US Russian speakers	1-888-572-8269	
	Great Britain	0-800-0518-8227 / 0-800-0852-105	
	UK	1-800-445-781	
	Australia	1-800-445-781	
	South Africa	0-800-996-886	
	India	000-800-972-1056	
	Holland	0-800 0221 498	
	Denmark	00-800-5394-7424	
	Finland	990-800-5394-7424	
	Norway	00-800-5394-7424	
	New Zealand	0-800-448-591	
	Sweden	00-800-5394-7424	
French	Italy	00-800-477-23528	
	Austria	0- 800-281-587	
	France	0-800-916 647	gci-fr@jafi.org
Spanish / Portuguese	Belgium	0-800-709-67	
	Switzerland	00-800-477-23528	
	Argentina	0-800-666-2093	gci-sp@jafi.org
	Brazil	0-800-891-8023	
	Chile	12-300-207-904	
	Colombia	01-800-915-7121	
	Mexico	001-877-684-5552	
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