

ADVANCING A SHARED SOCIETY: Creating an Equal, Just, and Democratic Space for All of Israel's Citizens



In the 1980s, we opened our office in Israel—the first Federation to do so. Since then, we have spearheaded efforts to create partnerships, coalitions, and collaboration between all of Israel's different “tribes,” including secular, Arab, Ultra-Orthodox, and immigrant communities.



We partner with innovative, passionate, and visionary Israeli organizations to facilitate and nurture these relationships. In doing so, we create a sense of belonging and a commitment to a shared future between and within all groups who call Israel home.

“[This] work is so essential, now more than ever.”

~Kher Albaz, Chairman, AJECC-NISPED

Recent escalations of violence between these “tribes” have called the feasibility of this “shared society” into question. However, our partners not only still believe in this vision, they see the recent violence as an indicator that it's more important and urgent than ever—and are working even harder to realize it with newly-public support from general Israeli society.

As such, we are supporting our partners in Israel as they redouble their efforts and hope you will do the same with your donation.



Our four methods of impact are:



GRANTS: Advance collaboration across Israel's “tribes” and systemic change within different sectors of Israeli society.

\$954,000 over 18 grants*

**Figures are from the 2020-21 fiscal year*



CAPACITY BUILDING AND MISHPUCHE NETWORK:

Convene trainings and workshops within Mispuche (“family”), our partner network, on current issues relating to a shared society.

+100 leaders & organizations



GVANIM: Train and build a growing network of diverse leaders with diverse perspectives via fellowship programs recruiting from throughout Israeli society



INNOVATION: Forge stronger connections between Israel and Jewish communities around the globe using innovative, community-building practices developed through our Israel office's “Belonging Hub.”



So many of our Israeli partner organizations are building a shared society. Here's how three of them are accomplishing it:



Advances diversity and inclusion in the private sector by advancing Arab employment as a priority within Israel's biggest companies, a vital change for Israeli equity.

37 companies;
4,500 quality placements



(Arab-Jewish Center for Empowerment, Equality, and Cooperation in the Negev): promotes peace and economic development through education and Arab-Jewish volunteer programs in peripheral and underserved communities, particularly the Bedouin community.

Jewish & Arab jointly run



One of the most innovative organizations working on systemic change in Israel—they have codified the language, strategy, best practices, and projects that underpin the vision of a shared society.

Targets:
Academia · Education
Culture · Public Sphere

“[After the violence], business leadership took a very active and responsible role, to say what wasn't being heard: that we need to accept and support each other, so that we can work and live together.”

~Nawa Jahshan Batshon, CEO, Co-Impact

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES THIS WORK POSSIBLE.

Your gift to the Federation's Annual Campaign helps to make this work possible. To help us continue advancing a shared society, please consider earmarking part of your gift for this work.

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