

A Home Away From Home
RENOVATING A STUDENT DORMITORY
KEDMA YOUTH VILLAGE



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Project Proposal

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Supporting the Project

Your gift of CHF 380,000 will make possible the renovation of the 50-year-old "HaRakevet" Student Dormitory at Kedma Youth Village in southern Israel, providing at-risk youth with a warm and protective environment that will enhance their learning experience and quality of life on their way toward realizing their full potential.

In grateful recognition, the Donor's name will be inscribed in individual letters and displayed prominently on the renovated Dormitory's front facade. Recognition signage will also be placed inside the building according to the Donor's wishes.



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About Kedma

The Kedma Youth Village is a home away from home for at-risk youth, offering school for the 8th-12th grade, a dormitory, agricultural farm, and a rich array of therapeutic programs.

Kedma's student body is comprised of girls and boys from all over the country who, at various stages of their lives, dropped out of educational programs. Coming from complex family backgrounds, these children suffer from learning disabilities, behavioral problems, and emotional difficulties and were referred to the Village by social-welfare agencies.

The Village is home to about 100 boys and girls between the ages of 13-18 from all parts of the country. In addition, 30 students from the area study at the Village each day.

Kedma offers these children a peaceful life and atmosphere, personal care and attention, and a safe detachment from "street life" and destabilizing family environments. Its educational and study frameworks empower students to change behavioral patterns, build confidence and self-esteem, achieve in their studies, and experience genuine personal growth.

The Village is located in the Yoav Regional Council, between Kiryat Malachi and Kiryat Gat, in the southern part of the country. Its green rural surroundings filled with fields and orchards give its campus a unique and magical country atmosphere.

With a staff of 105 consisting of teachers, mentors, farm staff, therapeutic staff, service year volunteers, and soldiers serving as teachers, Kedma is dedicated to the welfare of its students 24x7. The Village is supervised by and operates under the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Social Affairs.





The Village includes:

- ◆ **A School**, which provides students with an array of personalized programs aimed at maximizing each child's potential.
- ◆ **Dormitories**, which provide a home away from home for students. In addition to being residential facilities, the dormitories host extracurricular activities and enrichment programs.
- ◆ **An Agricultural Farm**, which includes horse stables, petting zoo, carpentry, beehives, welding workshop and gardening. All are part of the students' therapeutic process and allow them to connection to nature.
- ◆ **Therapies for students through art**, animals, Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy (CBT), sexual assault therapy, and treatment for substance abuse.
- ◆ **Alumni Outreach**, reaching out to student graduates who have moved on to army service, and after their discharge, to their adult lives and into the work force.



The Urgent Need: Renovating the 50-Year-Old Dormitory

Kedma's "HaRakevet" Dormitory was constructed more than 50 years ago. Its current condition is so poor that is entirely unsuitable as a residential facility for its students.





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The Program

Kedma seeks funding to proceed with an extensive renovation of the Dormitory, transforming the structure into a pleasant residential facility that meets modern-day standards of safety and comfort.

The renovation will make it possible for the Dormitory to accommodate an additional 12 boarding school students.

The renovation program includes the following components:

Exterior Work:

- Exterior plaster and paint stucco work
- Replacing the stairs
- Landscaping of the central plaza
- Outdoor seating areas
- Gardening

Extensive Renovation of Four Student Rooms:

- Floor replacement
- Dismantling and replacing the wall cladding with new ceramics
- Replacement of aluminum windows
- Replacement of doors
- Replacing the beaten ceiling with a plaster ceiling
- Dismantling and replacing the ceramics in the shower walls
- Painting of all rooms
- New ceiling lighting and reading lamps
- Equipping - new beds, small closet, wardrobe, new curtains, rugs, pictures, study table in each room and chair, new shower cabinet with sink and faucet and new air conditioner

Renovation of the Clubhouse:

- Floor replacement
- New aluminum windows
- Painting
- New entrance door
- New kitchen
- New air conditioner
- Equipment: New dining table and chairs, three-seater sofa, two-seater sofa, armchair, living room table,
- Appliances: TV, refrigerator, microwave, water dispenser and new curtains

Renovation of the Staff Room for Instructor-Student Meetings:

- Floor replacement
- New aluminum windows



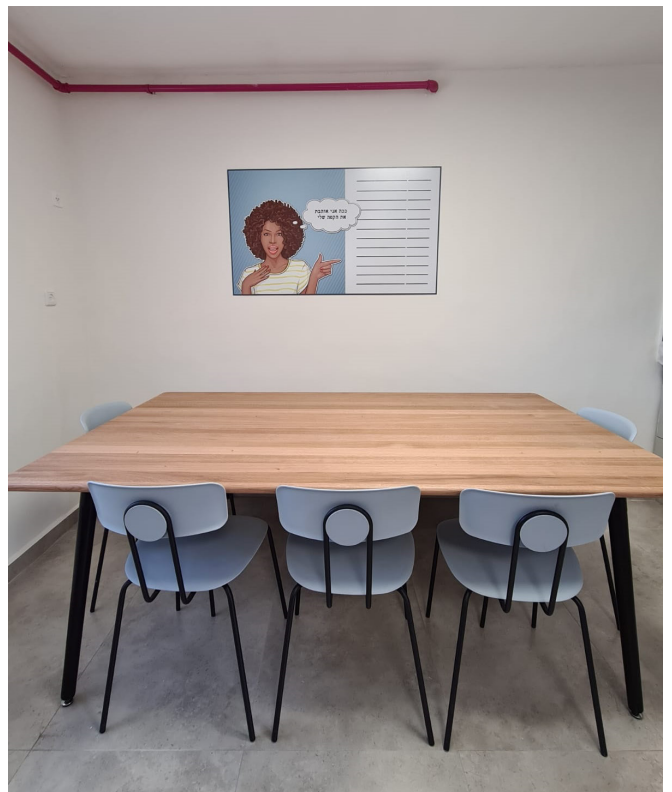
- New air-conditioner
- Painting
- New entrance door
- New lighting
- New cabinet for storage
- New table and three chairs

Construction of a Laundry Room:

- Concrete floor casting
- Construction of a panel structure
- Electrical work
- Plumbing work
- Acquisition and installation of washing machine + tumble dryer

The renovations will be similar to other residential rooms, clubhouse and laundry room facilities on campus shown here:





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Budget=(1 CHF=3.4377 ILS)

Item	Cost in ILS	Cost in CHF
Renovation & construction work	550,000	159,991
Landscaping & gardening	90,000	26,180
Equipment	150,000	43,634
Unanticipated	79,000	22,980
Subtotal A	869,000	252,785
VAT (17%)	147,730	42,973
Subtotal	1,016,730	295,759
Interior design planning	20,000	5,818
Management & supervision	50,837	14,788
Donor signage	25,000	7,272
Subtotal B	1,112,567	323,637
Inspection fee (1.8%)	20,026	5,825
Subtotal C	1,132,593	329,462
Support for other Keren Hayesod-supported projects	169,889	49,419
Total Amount Requested for Renovation of Kedma Youth Village Student Dormitory	₪ 1,302,482	CHF 378,882

Timeline

- ◇ The renovation work is expected to span 13 months.
- ◇ This timeline is subject to change.

Donor Recognition

In grateful recognition of your gift of CHF 380,000, which will make possible the renovation of the 50-year-old "HaRakevet" Student Dormitory at Kedma Youth Village and also support Keren Hayesod programs benefiting residents of southern Israel:

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**All photos courtesy of Kedma Youth Village*



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