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Karmey Chesed, literally translated as vineyards of kindness, offers a cluster of services for the needy Jewish family in Israel. Grapes, one of Israel's seven special species, require proper care to ensure that they grow properly. Likewise, we work tirelessly along with our dedicated volunteers to provide these families with both their physical and emotional needs. At Karmey Chesed we strive to aid unfortunate families in any possible way, helping them maintain their dignity and get back on their feet.

The organization's activities are currently centered in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Modiin, Beitar Illit, and Gush Etzion, but due to the high demand, efforts are expected to expand to other areas of the country.

Karmey Chesed's creative and exciting Green Charity program takes old appliances and furniture from those who are remodeling or upgrading, and gives them at no charge to those less fortunate. Instead of filling landfills and polluting waterways, these discarded items become a lifeline for needy families. [Click here to see more.](#)

Clothing Distribution

Parents who do not have sufficient means to provide for their growing families can ill-afford proper fitting clothing for themselves or their children. Part of the solution is various Karmey Chesed clothing drives held throughout the year. At these drives large quantities of gently used clothing are collected for later distribution. These drives have proved to be the most cost effective way of providing clothing to a large number of needy families. The clothing accomplish more than merely dressing the needy families; it gives them back their dignity.

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More affluent families in Israel continuously and generously donate clothing. Our volunteers must sort them, hang them, arrange them by size, and help identify the families who are in the greatest need. Those who desperately need these clothes, should not have to go through piles of clothes in garbage bags, but should receive the gifts with dignity.

Your donation to our clothing distribution program can help cover the basic costs of ensuring that recipients are given fresh, clean clothing.

Food Distribution

It's hard to imagine Jewish families without enough food on their table, but the occurrence is far too frequent. Families who seem financially stable on the outside don't have basic food – bread, rice, milk – to feed their families. Often embarrassed to go to a soup kitchen or turn to public assistance for help, Karemy Chessed usually hears about these dire situations from caring neighbors or friends, and we step in. To save them from the shame of standing on line at a soup kitchen, our dedicated and discreet volunteers regularly deliver well-stocked food baskets to the doorsteps of needy families. Our food packages maintain the health and lives of the needy families.

Your donation can provide more Jewish families with life-giving food packages.

Emergency Prescription Drugs

Numerous challenges accompany a sick family member without the additional worry of how the necessary medical prescriptions will be filled. Unfortunately, for many needy families in Israel the money to fill much needed prescriptions is simply nonexistent.

As Karemy Chessed stands by their side, your donation can provide them with the necessary emergency medicine to help alleviate their suffering.

Emergency Loan Fund

Often as hard as they work and as much as they try, many families simply cannot make ends meet. Sometimes, small funds can tide a family over during an especially difficult period. In these cases, Karemy Chessed provides a pipeline for hope with an emergency cash gift or an interest-free loan to ease the burden of these hardworking families.

Your donation to our Emergency Loan Fund can help families stay on their feet.



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"If among you, one of your brothers should become poor, in any of your towns within your land that the Lord your God is giving you, you shall not harden your heart or shut your hand against your poor brother, but you shall open your hand to him and lend him sufficient for his need, whatever it may be." (Deuteronomy 15:7)



(Photo: IDF)

Karmey Chesed, a non-profit organization whose goal it is to help those in Israel who are in need attain a basic standard of living, has recently join forces with the IDF to help those soldiers and their families in need.

One particular combat brigade is made up of soldiers who come from low-income families. Majority of the 250 soldiers have little or no food to eat when they return home on leave and live in unfurnished homes because they have no money for basic furniture.

This brigade recently reported for duty in the south of Israel together with thousands of other soldiers as part of Operation Protective Edge. They are currently awaiting orders in a temporary base on the periphery of Gaza, and like the rest of the region, are constantly under the threat of rocket fire from terrorists in Gaza.

Shosh, the Welfare NCO of the brigade, contacted *Karmey Chesed* and explained the situation in hopes that they would be able to help the soldiers.

"As soon as I contacted them [*Karmey Chesed*] they began helping. The very next day we already had donations of furniture and a closet. All I had to do was arrange a pick-up of the items and to give it to one of the families of the soldier who needed it the most," Shosh explained. "Since then it has been a constant stream of donations, of whatever we need, food, furniture, arriving from all over, all thanks to *Karmey Chesed*."

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Since the start of the operation in Gaza, this brigade received no outside help from other organizations or private individuals. On Monday morning, once *Karmey Chesed* stepped in with the help of its donors, the soldiers enjoyed hot meals, snacks and care packages from IDF supporters while they await their deployment orders.

"We are providing snacks and easily prepared food to the soldiers, which raises their morale significantly," said Aryeh Weingarten, founder of *Karmey Chesed*. "It's a great feeling when a soldier receives a care package, and especially in an intense situation like this. It helps them feel that they are important, wanted, and respected."



Many Soldiers, who have been called up as early as Tuesday last week, have been awaiting orders in army bases and temporary encampments all around the northwestern part of the Negev Desert nearest the Gaza Strip.

The IDF has been attempting at all costs to avoid a ground invasion of Gaza, which has in the past resulted in heavy casualties on both sides. However, as rocket attacks from inside the Strip rose to over 1,000 in the past week, in spite of continued airstrikes by the IDF, it seems that a ground invasion may be closer than the army hopes.

"I have never been happier with the help from an non-profit organization," said Shosh. "Aryeh's first response to me when I asked for his help was 'I can never help soldiers enough.' That is the type of organization that *Karmey Chesed* is. They feel that they can never do enough for the people that they help, and they certainly try."



IDF soldiers help deliver furniture to low-income homes with Karmey Chesed.
(Photo: Courtesy)

Shosh filled *Breaking Israel News* in on perhaps one of the greatest accolades that a non-profit organization could be acclaimed for. She said; "The soldiers are so

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thankful for the help that *Karmey Chesed* has provided. I am so thankful, and so are the families. There are soldiers who had nothing, who are now in a stable living environment, and their families are financially stable, thanks to the work and donations from *Karmey Chesed*. We cannot say thank you enough."

Karmey Chesed is also expanding their services to help the residents of the nearby beleaguered city of Sderot. "Normally we would have donations of furniture or second hand items as well as volunteers on hand to be able to deliver these donations. However, with the situation as volatile as it is, and constant air-raid-sirens, there is simply too much going on right now for people to donate such items," says Weingarten.

The organization has volunteers going house to house and offering food to those who are in need. "People are simply too scared to leave their houses and go to the supermarket," said one of the volunteers. "There are those who aren't able to go or don't want to risk leaving their homes and the proximity of their safe rooms," he continued.



An IDF soldier enjoys his new recliner thanks to Karmey Chesed. (Photo: Courtesy)

The shopping malls and supermarkets in Sderot have safe rooms of their own and they are all reinforced, but that does not mean that people there are taking any extraneous risks.

"We are giving money and supplying food to people who are afraid to leave their houses.

Our volunteers are going house to house and delivering food, to make sure that no one is without their basic needs," says Weingarten. "Thankfully our volunteers are not scared, but they are extremely busy."

"How good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!" (Psalm 133:1)



Some of the soldiers who received gift packages from Karmey Chesed. (Photo: Karmey Chesed) As the fighting with Hamas in Gaza continues into its fourth week, some rays of sunshine are sprouting forth amidst the clouds of conflict. Last week Wednesday, IDF soldiers, many of whom come from disadvantaged or low income families, received a special surprise. Deliveries of gift baskets containing toiletries, food, underwear and everyday supplies that soldiers need, were delivered by Karmey Chesed, a non-profit organization in Israel dedicated to helping those in need. The packages came as a complete surprise, as the organization, just a week prior had been involved in a similar delivery to the another part of the same brigade. "No one expected it," said Shosh, the Welfare NCO of the unit. "Most of the soldiers have not been home for 45 days and were lacking basic essentials such as clean socks, towels, and other basic hygienic items. They received all of the

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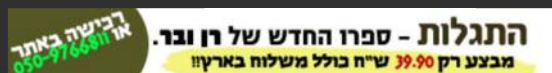
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By Rafi Poch, [Breaking Israel News](#), 7/28/2014



Some of the soldiers who received gift packages from Karmey Chesed. (Photo: Karmey Chesed)

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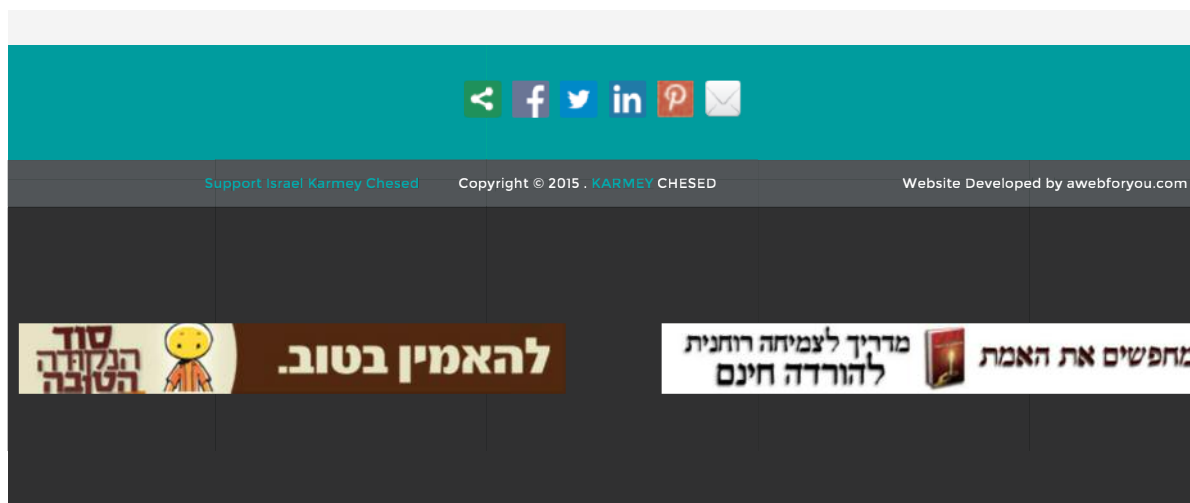
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