

Thank you! This past year you helped WRJ raise over \$587,000 for the YES Fund and the Reform Movement.

2007-08 grants made a difference to:

YOUTH

- The Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) for NFTY's Mitzvah Corps, for high school students, and KESHER's college programming **\$85,000**
- A program sponsored by The Beit Daniel Conversion Center (Tel Aviv, Israel) to lead a class-wide b'nai mitzvah ceremony for seventh-grade students who have immigrated from the Former Soviet Union **\$5,000**
- The Beit Daniel Conversion Center's program for a seventh grade class-wide b'not mitzvah ceremony **\$2,500**
- The Congregation Or Hadash preschool in Haifa, Israel **\$2,000**
- Kehillat Mevasseret Zion's program "Young Teens—Getting Involved in the Congregation and Greater Community" **\$5,000**
- Kehillat Yozma for preschool and elementary school support **\$5,000**

EDUCATION

- Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) by offering financial assistance to seven rabbinic, cantorial, and education students at the three North American HUC-JIR campuses **\$85,000**
- The Dr. Alfred Gottschalk Israel Rabbinic Program by offering financial aid to Israeli students studying at the Jerusalem campus of HUC-JIR **\$7,500**
- HUC-JIR's School of Sacred Music by supporting three prizes, awarded by the College, to outstanding cantorial students **\$3,000**
- Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism's program "Amutat Michmanim—Learning Library for Pre-Army Mechina" **\$5,000**
- Kehillat Kol HaNeshama's "Rosh Chodesh Beit Midrash for Women" **\$4,000**
- Kehillat Mevasseret Zion's program "Eshet Mitzvah: A workshop to teach women to read from the Torah" **\$3,000**

"I myself found fully grown carob trees in the world; as my forbearers planted for me, so am I planting for my children."

—*Babylonian Talmud, Ta'anit*

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- Local sisterhoods by offering special services, including project materials and resources **\$55,500**
- Beit Daniel's program "Mekudash" to encourage Israeli couples to choose Reform rabbis and women rabbis as officiators at their marriage ceremony **\$5,000**
- Fundacion Judaica's "Magal" program which helps poor mothers and families in Argentina's rural Jewish communities **\$5,000**
- HUC-JIR's Student Pesach Scholarship to help students bring Pesach to Reform Jewish communities in the FSU **\$2,000**
- Israel Religious Action Center's program "Keren B'Kavod" which works with Reform congregations in Israel distributing packages to needy families of all faiths in poor communities throughout the year **\$5,000**
- Kehillat Mevasseret Zion's program to help increase family and youth involvement in Israel by offering creative programming based upon Jewish values, traditions, and customs **\$2,000**
- A project to help build a Mikveh in Liberaal Joodse Gemeente Congregation's new building in Amsterdam **\$5,000**
- Or Chadash's program for women and couples who have lost children to terrorism to receive therapy in a group setting which enables them to share their problems and to learn new ways of coping with their grief **\$3,000**
- The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism by supporting the employment for a legislative aide **\$15,000**
- URJ Commission on Interreligious Affairs' "Open Doors, Open Minds: Synagogues and Churches Studying Together" program **\$2,500**



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