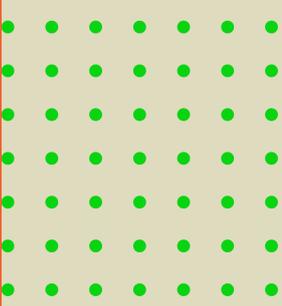


Dear Friends,

Once again, we find ourselves living through incredibly challenging days. As we navigate this crisis, we wanted to share how Nitzana is responding and where your partnership is needed most right now.

When the sirens began, our instinct—as it has always been—was to open our doors and mobilize our resources. Because of your unwavering partnership, we were prepared to act immediately. Nitzana is not just a place of education; in times of crisis, we have become a vital hub of safety, resilience, and operational support.





Our Response

- **Providing Sanctuary:** We are currently hosting 270 individuals who needed a safe place to stay in the Nitzana area, along with 50 others from across Israel who have no access to safe rooms in their own homes.
- **Supporting the Frontline:** Our campus is serving as a critical staging ground. We are currently scaling up our capacity to host arriving volunteers and IDF personnel who require short-term accommodation as they mobilize to assist in different areas.
- **Rapid Response:** Our Nitzana security team has been operating 24/7 since the start of the conflict. The team consists of 10 active members (plus additional volunteers) who guard our perimeter around the clock and train extensively for various scenarios.
- **Educational Continuity:** We remain in constant contact with all our students, particularly our Bedouin students, ensuring their safety and well-being. Because the majority of them lack safe rooms in their home communities, we have extended an open invitation to them and their families to stay at Nitzana whenever they need to.
- **Community Recovery:** Our staff and gap-year students are actively assisting in the evacuation and rehabilitation of homes damaged by rocket fire throughout the Negev.



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Even as we address immediate regional and national needs, we continue to prioritize the education and well-being of our students. Our Sela program for Olim and the Negev Pre-Military program continue to operate with remarkable resilience.

Our ability to provide these essential services is only possible because you have stood by us. However, the needs are growing by the hour. We are facing increasing costs to maintain our hosting capacity and to provide food and care for the hundreds of people we anticipate arriving in the days ahead.

If you are in a position to help us meet these immediate needs, **please consider contributing**. Your support is not just a donation; it is a direct lifeline for families, volunteers, and the brave individuals working to keep us all safe.

We are operating at maximum capacity, but we remain strong and steadfast. We are here, and we are acting.

With gratitude and hope for safer days,

Avi and Itai