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Years of the Jaffa Institute



Thank you for all of your support over the past 40 years!

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העמותה לקידום החינוך בתל אביב-יפו

Impact Report 2022

Your support makes a difference!

It is with great pride and joy that I share with you our 2022 impact report. We continue to grow and our projects now serve many thousands of deserving children, young adults underserved women and senior citizens. On their behalf, I extend much gratitude and appreciation to all of you in Israel and abroad. Without your gracious support, we could not have achieved these remarkable results. G-d bless you.

Dr. David Portowicz, Founder, The Jaffa Institute



Thank you for being part of the Jaffa Institute family. We are thrilled that we were able to change the lives of so many less privileged members of our society. Thanks to our dedicated staff, the families that we serve will be able to take their places as constructive citizens in Israel and the future will be brighter for them. Your support for this vital endeavor is deeply appreciated.

Mr. Chaim Hurvitz, Chairman, Board of Directors



This past year was extraordinary in terms of the number of projects and the high quality of our service. Who would have imagined that there would be over 6,000 beneficiaries in Jaffa, Bet Shemesh, South Tel Aviv, Yehud, and Bat Yam who have turned the Jaffa Institute into their second homes? We are gratified to be in a position to help so many in need, and we look forward to another record-breaking year in 2023.

Mr. Chezky Portowicz, CEO, The Jaffa Institute



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of support!**

2022: Highlights of activities month by month

January

**A new year with
lots of exciting
activities
planned!**

February

**Family Day at
afterschool
centers**

March

**Purim
celebrations**

April

**Passover Food
Campaign:
5,000+ boxes
delivered!**

May

**Yom Ha'atzmaut
celebrations**

June

**BSEC
graduation &
end of year
celebrations**

July

**Summer
camps
open**

August

**New autotech
program for at-risk
youth opened;
International
volunteer groups!**

September

**Elderly
participants
enjoy breakfast
in Jaffa**

October


**Back to regular
programming
after the
holidays!**

November

**Renovation of
Afterschool
Center in Jaffa
Daled**

December

**Hanukkah
celebrations; shoe
drive distributes
hundreds of pairs
to children**

A black and white photograph of two children wearing helmets and riding bicycles on a paved path in a park. A chain-link fence and trees are visible in the background. The image is used as a background for the text.

**"We should not
leave a better
world for our
children,
we should leave
better children."**

**-Devorah,
Volunteer at our
Food Distribution
Center**

Combating Food Insecurity



15,500 total food boxes distributed

700 food boxes distributed monthly

2,000 volunteers packed food boxes

5,000 special holiday food boxes during the holidays - Rosh Hashanah, Passover & Hanukkah - distributed to families, Holocaust survivors and other seniors



80,000 Hot meals served at after-school programs



A photograph of a woman and a young girl sitting at a table, looking down at their plates of food. The woman is on the left, and the girl is on the right. They are both wearing light blue shirts. The table is set with several plates and bowls containing food, including what appears to be rice, beans, and meat. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

**"This food package is
my lifeline."**

**-Efrat,
Single Mother of 4**

Caring for the Elderly & Holocaust Survivors



Individualized support from social workers & professional therapists



Bimonthly food package deliveries



Home repairs and renovations



Volunteer visits and weekly phone calls with participants!



And SO many more special events!!



Reducing Social Isolation



- Breakfast with Accompanying the Elderly participants, friends & volunteers!
- Delivered warm winter essentials to homes - space heaters, blankets, hats
- Special programs for elderly Ukrainian refugees

Our Enrichment Centers

SO much more than just an After-School Center.



24 unique Centers that reach **hundreds** of children each year



Individualized support from social workers & professional therapists



Daily hot, nutritionally-balanced meals!



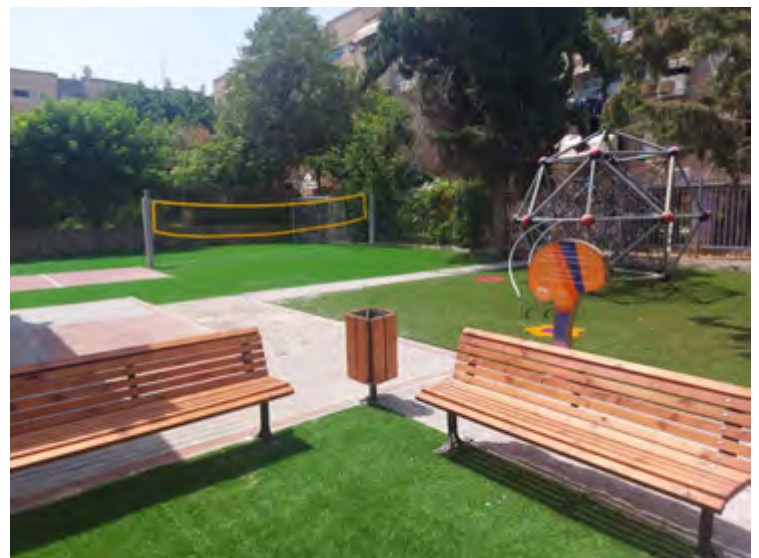
Fun recreational activities like biking & tennis, and so much more!



Narrow academic gaps and encourage a passion for exploration



We added an additional floor and outdoor recreation areas to our newly renovated after-school center serving at-risk youth in Jaffa Daled



Making Sure Children have the Essentials

With your support, the Jaffa Institute:

- Distributed over 300 pairs of new shoes in an annual campaign!
- Provided school supplies & backpacks
- Surprised children with brand new bikes
- Ensured everyone had warm winter clothing



Summer Camp Highlights

- Hundreds of children - 2 months of daily hot meals, therapeutic support & activities
- Academic enrichment programs
- Field trips to a water park, amusement park & zoo
- Strengthening support networks & social connectedness

Jump Start Programs Close Academic Gaps

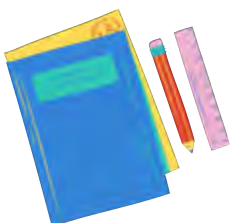
Because of your support ...



The students had amazing success in 2022

- **60%** of parents reported the highest level of improvement in their children's learning skills (5 on a scale of 1-5)
- 8th Graders improved their **language and math** grades **from 69% and 64% to 93% and 92%**
- **25%** increase in number of participating children (108 last year to 136 this year)
- **84%** of parents give the teachers assigned to their children the highest rating (5 on a scale of 1-5)

In 2023, we plan to increase the number of participants in Jump Start, reaching more adolescents in need of academic and emotional support.



Our Future STEM Innovators

Some of the amazing things explored



Space food and life on the International Space Station



How food travels around the world and to our plates



Making drones with lasers and a 3D printer



"Upcycling" to make musical instruments - that work!



What is yeast & how it works - with matzah baking for Passover



Our Science Mobile program operates out of equipped RVs to close STEM gaps for disadvantaged youth.

Building Connections & Impacting Lives

2022 at our Parent-Child Centers:

- 60 families, including 80 children, participated in activities at the Parent-Child Center monthly
- 1670 total visits to the Center
- 1070 hours of therapy
- 220 different families participated throughout the year in 11 separate groups
- 2 Purim events and 1 end-of-year celebration
- New "mother to mother" project initiated for postpartum mothers



Empowering Underserved Women

Welfare to Wellbeing:

- Vocational skills training
- Strengthening confidence & self-esteem
- Working through trauma
- Therapeutic workshops
- Financial literacy
- Building a community of empowered & strong women



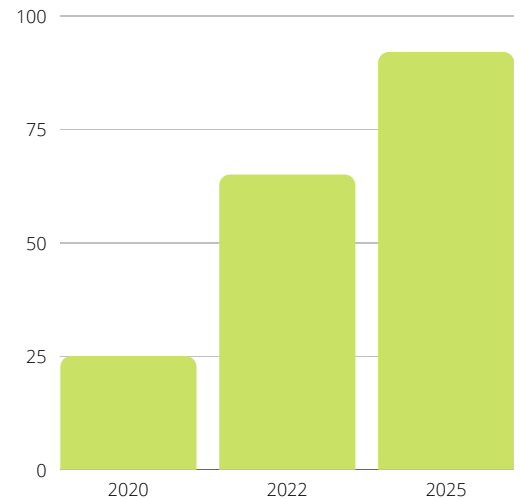
"From this program, I learned to make better decisions and adopt a different way of thinking. I learned how to accept myself.

*Today I feel **strong, valued, and loved.**"*

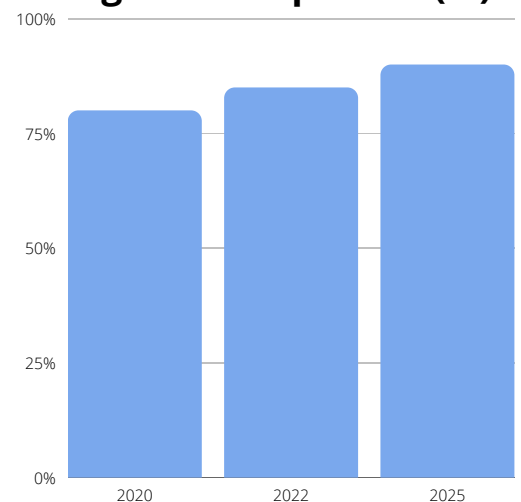
- program graduate

Program Growth 2020 - 2022 - 2025

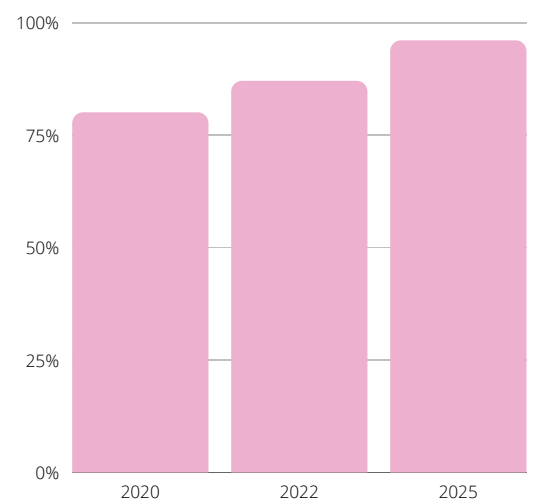
Number of Program Participants



Job Placements after Program Completion (%)



Program Satisfaction (%)



Beit Shemesh Educational Center

Class of 2022

We are extremely proud to share our students' achievements:



The entire twelfth-grade class graduated, including all students in our specialized tracks for Ethiopian-Israeli and Haredi students.



Matriculation rate far exceeded the national average in all three tracks: Haredi, Ethiopian-Israeli, and mainstream.



Graduates volunteered in Israel's National Service Program for National Police and Magen David first responders



28% of graduates continued their academic studies in rabbinic programs.



45% of graduates have enlisted in the IDF, including elite army units, or in pre-military academies.



Other graduates enrolled in electrical engineering degree programs and in courses to complete subject requirements not yet fulfilled.



Drama department leads the nation with 3 first-place finishes in short film contest with semi-autobiographical films depicting the actual challenges they faced growing up in unstable homes, and how success can be achieved with perseverance and faith. (Recent award winning [film](#), in Hebrew).



Beit Shemesh Educational Center graduation ceremony

2022: In Numbers

6,000

volunteers in 40 programs

60

homes of senior citizens and Holocaust survivors renovated

100%

graduation rate in Ethiopian Integration programs

4

mobile science labs teaching STEM

420,000 NIS

in food vouchers for hundreds of Ukrainian refugees

540

families supported by parent-child centers

1000+

school bags, bikes, coats, shoes, space heaters, and blankets distributed

15,500

food parcels to the needy

8,906

impoverished residents supported

672

children participated in summer camps

280

higher education scholarships

72

Welfare to Wellbeing graduates entered the job market

80,000

hot lunches served

250

Holocaust survivors and seniors participated in cultural events

140 children

received individualized tutoring

80

children participated in the weekly tennis club at Jaffa Tennis Center

Our Volunteers Shine!

In 2022, we had **6,000** volunteers at the Jaffa Institute!



We were very proud to host:

- Corporate volunteer groups
- Youth groups
- Partner organizations
- International volunteer groups
- Intern programs



Volunteering included:

- Packing and delivering food boxes
- Assisting in After-School Centers
- Providing academic support to youth
- Delivering bikes & coats
- Participating in candle-lighting for Hanukkah

A special thank you to our long-term volunteers who have been giving their time and efforts to our programs for years.

Goals for 2023



Here are some of the exciting things we are planning for 2023:

- More international volunteers
- Adding 40 more adolescents to Jump Start
- Strengthening our professional training workshops
- Widening our online presence
- Increasing overall social connectedness among all of our participants
- Bringing our 4 science mobiles to impoverished communities in periphery communities

We are constantly looking for ways to improve our organization and services to the communities we help.

Get Involved!

How can you help?

- Volunteer at one of our After-School Centers or Jump Start
- Donate through our website
- Share us on social media
- Plan a company event at our Food Distribution Center to help pack food boxes

... and so many more ways to get involved!



**On behalf of all of us at the
Jaffa Institute...**



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