



CHABAD OF THE EAST VALLEY

Serving the East Valley communities

To Whom It May Concern:

Since early 2002, the children of Sedorot and the Gaza perimeter communities have been living under constant threat of rocket fire from the Gaza strip. Since August 2005, averages of 80 Kassam rockets a month have been fired on the region. According to research by the Tel Hai College Resource Center, one out of every three Sedorot children suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and all of these children also have at least one parent who suffers from PTSD. Anxiety symptoms in children include sleeping difficulties, nightmares, sweating, development regressions, wetting beds, and fear of the outside.

Chabad of the East Valley is offering these children a precious gift: A summer spent outdoors, a chance to get away from the constant fear. In June, more than 100 children will be flown to the states, a large group of which will come to the East Valley to attend Camp Gan Israel day camps in Chandler. For the first time in years, these lucky children will feel the sunshine in the middle of the day and get the physical exercise they so badly need. Most important, they will have four weeks to heal and to gather their strength for the coming year.

As somebody who is well known for supporting charitable causes and educational institutions, especially those close to home the Children of Israel we ask you to please help us help these children. The needs are great, clothes, food trips, toiletries, gifts, and more, any financial assistance for the Sedorot children will be most helpful, thereby helping to make their summer experience one that will last a lifetime.

We would be honored if you would be a partner in our program. The Chabad Center's Tax-ID EIN is 86-0441056 and we are recognized as a 501(c)3 charity. Please use this letter as documentation for tax purposes.

Thank you for considering our request to become a sponsor of our event. As this is part of our fundraising projects, your donation is crucial to our growth and continued ability to serve the community.

Please mail your donation to: Chabad of the East Valley
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If you have any questions, or would like information on being a sponsor, please call 480-313-8873

Sincerely,

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