

The Foundation for the Welfare of Holocaust Victims is an Israeli non-profit organization, founded 26 years ago **by** Holocaust survivors, and **for** Holocaust survivors. The goal of the Foundation is to assist, in every way possible, those who survived the horrors of the Holocaust, and now, in their advanced years, lack the resources to live in dignity.

More than 189,500 survivors live in Israel today. Unfortunately, 1 of 4 live in poverty. In addition to their insecure economic situation, Holocaust survivors suffer from severe physical and emotional medical issues, which only intensify with time. We are thus called upon to extend a hand to more and more Holocaust survivors who need our help – approximately 60,000 a year.

The Foundation's various assistance channels, as listed below, are funded by donations received from donors in Israel and abroad. With these assistance channels (in addition to our nursing channels which are funded by the Israeli Ministry of Finance and the Claims Conference), we offer Holocaust survivors a holistic One-Stop-Shop to meet their needs

The assistance channels:

- **Lonely, but not Alone:** Every week throughout the year, volunteers pay weekly home visits to survivors who struggle with loneliness. The program matches 2,700 volunteers with approx. the same number of Holocaust survivors who reside at home or in retirement homes throughout Israel.
- **Emergency Panic Buttons and Medical Service for Holocaust Survivors:** Today we provide emergency assistance and medical service to 12,800 Holocaust survivors through a 24-hour panic button, which offers a sense of security and alleviates their loneliness in times of need.
- **"Seeing Clearly" – Distributing Free Eyeglasses:** In 2019 we distributed 4,400 vouchers, entitling Holocaust survivors for an eye examination and adjustment to receive a suitable pair of eyeglasses – at no cost and near their homes.
- **Dental Care:** The Foundation helps economically vulnerable survivors by paying for dental treatment in the vicinity of their homes. Treatments include basic dental services, occlusal adjustment in teeth and prostheses. In 2019, 195 Holocaust survivors received dental treatment.
- **Connected:** The program brings together high-school students with Holocaust survivors who teach them computer skills and how to use the Internet. It helps survivors cope with loneliness. This year it serves 580 Holocaust survivors in 28 cities throughout Israel.



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- **"Living with Dignity" – Making flats accessible and suitable for in-home care:** Our team of professionals make necessary alterations in Holocaust survivors' flats that are not suitable or adequate for their newly developed physical needs, such as turning a bathtub into a walk-in shower, making bathroom and toilet areas wheelchair accessible, installing safety accessories, and so on. To date, we have renovated more than 1,900 apartments for Holocaust survivors in need.
- **Immediate Assistance Fund for Holocaust Survivors in Israel:** We help needy Holocaust survivors seeking immediate assistance in the following fields: medical needs, electricity and water bill payments, food baskets and food vouchers, basic household equipment, monthly financial support and other support contributing to the well-being of Holocaust survivors in Israel.
Their need is even stronger today since most of these survivors are at risk of getting infected by the Corona Virus and therefore currently isolated in their homes.

The average age of survivors is 84. Their remaining time with us is all too short. Every day 41 Holocaust survivors pass away in Israel - 15,170 in the past year. This is our last chance to help them live out their lives in dignity.

**Their need – and our need – for your support grows even greater and
more acute with every passing day!**

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