

# IMPACT REPORT

JULY-SEP.



#### GREETINGS

Dear Friend,

It is with great appreciation that we present this third quarter of 2022 Impact Report.

The impact was indeed great! With the help of volunteers, we fed recipients of the East Fishkill Library Food Pantry with fresh organic produce. We hosted families for overnight visits in our comfy, spacious tent, and people from all over enjoyed Sunday programming with soap making workshops.

Hebrew School started up again in September and is our biggest year yet! We launched a new program for the Maccabees Division (the 6th and 7th grade class). It's an action packed, mitzvah focused program that includes collaborations with other Hebrew Schools, community service, farm education, and field trips.

The energy of Rosh Hashanah was indescribable. There was a constant flow of people, celebration, and connections within the community: teens volunteered on Erev Rosh Hashanah, a full house for 1st night dinner, inspiring services, an amazing turn out of families with children, and meaningful visits to blow shofar at individuals who didn't make it to Shul.

As always, thank you for making this possible.

With Appreciation,
Rabbi Zalman and Goldy Sandhaus







#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Weekly Kosher Market
- Community visit to the Rebbe's Ohel
- Camp visits to the farm
- Farm fresh produce distribution with East Fishkill Library pantry
- -Men's club Scotch and Cigars
- New Hebrew School year kicked off with a whopping 18 students!
- A portion of our driveway got much needed new black top
- -Tefillin Club breakfast
- Pre Rosh Hashanah home and office visits
- Rosh Hashanah services, Shofar and Tashlich

### "IT WAS QUITE SCARY, I FELT STRANDED"

On a summer Monday morning, I got a call from a man named Michael. He had a blowout on two tires the night prior, while driving south on the Taconic and was staying at the inn nearby while his car was at the shop.

Michael did not anticipate an overnight stay, so he didn't bring Kosher food or Tefillin with him to pray in the morning. He asked if we can help. Since he didn't have a car to get here, I picked up Michael and brought him to the farm where we gave him a quiet room to pray and a homemade Kosher breakfast.

Michael spent most of his day with us, touring the farm and playing with our kids.

That afternoon I drove him to the mechanic to get his car. As we parted, Michael was overcome with emotion and was clearly very grateful. He later sent this message: "I can't thank you enough for your truly gracious hospitality today during my time of need. Yisrolik, Mendel and Liba were also so friendly and helpful."

While we don't wish these inconveniences upon anyone, it is an honor and privilege for our family to help others during unexpected situations like this one. However, we don't do it alone. It is only through your support that makes our presence in Hopewell Junction possible.











#### FEEDBACK

Thank you for the other night and for you very kind wisdom and warm engagement. I continue to be inspired by all you offer

-David. K.

We can't thank you enough for EVERYTHING! We are so grateful to your family for being part of our family. Words can't describe how the 3 of us feel.

-Beth. C.

Dear Rabbi and Goldy, thank you and your wife for such a special Friday night! Thank you for having Alan and I last minute- you have a beautiful family and we admire what you are creating and giving in the community- it makes a difference!

-Yifat.S.

#### Rabbi,

I had a great time. Thank you for setting it up. I enjoyed the camaraderie and discussions the most. Until next time...

-Steven. S.

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Your partnership in spreading the light of Judaism makes a real difference and for that we are extremely grateful.

Wishing you and your family an enjoyable autumn season, and look forward to seeing you soon!

Warm regards, Rabbi Zalman and Goldy Sandhaus

