

§§§§Dear Friends and Members,

Spring is near, and Purim will soon be here to give our hearts a lift. Amid a year of pain and worry, we will make every effort to increase joy and Tzedaka.

Yedidya's Purim Mishloach Manot Campaign raises money for our Kupat Tzedaka including Matanot L'evyonim and for the running of our Shul.

This year's Purim Tzedakah campaign has a larger scope than in previous years. We are sending packages to many soldiers serving extended reserve duty in addition to those in mandatory service. Yedidya is also sending Mishloach Manot packages to our new friends from Shlomi at the Dan Boutique Hotel. [As well as packages for members](#)

We recommend a contribution of NIS 450, but any amount is welcome and appreciated. Many members choose to contribute to the project in lieu of preparing individual *mishlochei manot* for their friends in Yedidya. The names of all contributors to the project will be included in a list to be made available electronically. All contributions are tax deductible.

Only a small percentage of your donation goes to cover the cost of the *mishloach manot* packages, with the rest split evenly between our Kupat Tzedaka and Kehilat Yedidya's general fund. The Kupat Tzedaka will set aside part of its share for *matanot l'evyonim* on Purim and devote the rest to the ongoing work of the Kupah, which helps needy people in our neighborhood pay for such essentials as medical and dental care, rent, utility bills, groceries, schoolbooks, and transportation to school.

To fulfill your obligation for [matanot l'evyonim](#) via the [Purim Project](#), please register no later than Wednesday, March 20. We will give money to individuals and organizations that distribute on the day of Purim.

To participate, please follow the instructions on our website for paying by [bank transfer, check, credit card, or PayPal](#).

Participation in the Purim Project does not count as fulfillment of the Mitzvah of *mishloach manot*. Remember, to fulfill the Mitzvah of *mishloach manot* send two foods to one friend on Shushan Purim, Monday, March 25th.

Mishloach Manot packages will be distributed to members on the entrance level after the evening and morning Megillah readings. Soldiers' packages are delivered to their homes. The packages for the Shlomi evacuees will be distributed at the Dan Boutique Hotel. If you would like to help deliver Yedidya's *mishloach manot*, please contact Elise Kranc (elisekranc@gmail.com) or WhatsApp ([052-672-4003](tel:052-672-4003))

Please help us support this worthy project.

Matanot la'evyonim:

Every adult over Bar/Bat Mitzvah age is required personally to fulfill the Mitzvah of *matanot la'evyonim* on Purim by donating an amount of money sufficient to provide a meal for one person.

This year, that amount has been set at NIS 18. There are two ways of fulfilling this mitzvah via the Kehilla:

1. Participation in the Purim Project

Make your donation to the [Purim Project](#) by Thursday, March 21, 2024, for a portion of it to count as *matanot la'evyonim*. Please specify on the Google form on behalf of how many people in your family you would like to fulfill the Mitzvah, so that way the Tzedaka Committee will know how much of your contribution to set aside for *matanot la'evyonim*.

For example, if you are a family of two parents and two children over Bar/Bat Mitzvah age who live with you at home, the number should be 4.

2. Direct donation to the Kupat Tzedaka

Donate directly to Kehillat Yedidya's [Kupat Tzedaka \(Charity Fund\)](#) by March 21, 2024, for your donation to count as *matanot la'evyonim*. Donations after that date are welcome but will not count as fulfilling the mitzvah.

To fulfill the Mitzvah, donate at least NIS 18 on behalf of each member of your household over Bar/Bat Mitzvah age. For example, for four people, the amount should be at least NIS 72. Please note with your donation that this amount is dedicated to *matanot la'evyonim*.

Additional donations to the Kupat Tzedaka will be greatly appreciated for its ongoing work of assisting the needy in our neighborhood.

To donate to the Kupat Tzedaka, drop a check payable to "Kehillat Yedidya – Kupat Tzedaka" into the Yedidya mailbox, or make a bank transfer to Kehillat Yedidya Kupat Tzedaka, Bank HaPoalim,

Branch 748 (Derekh Hevron), account no. 444211.