



Shabbat Shalom and Happy Sukkot

Shalom

Shana Tova. We at MDA hope you have had a safe Rosh Hashana and fasted well amid the very different lives we are now leading.

Israel's Health Ministry has announced a surge in COVID diagnoses that has pushed the number of Israel's confirmed cases since the start of the outbreak past the 200,000 mark — only a month after the country hit 100,000 cases. As a result, for the three forthcoming weeks of Chagim, Israel has locked down to hopefully ensure the spread does not further increase and people are as safe as possible in this environment.

Magen David Adom has not backed down from its fight against the virus. and continues to administer more than 30,000 tests daily, not far from the one-day record of 33,581 people it sampled one day in September.

Because of your support, Magen David Adom is able to continue to work hard to fight against COVID, but our resources have been greatly depleted and raising funds has been sorely hindered because of COVID related restrictions.

COVID aside, our calendar keeps moving and the beautiful holiday of Sukkot takes place this Friday 2 October, 15 Tishrei. It is usually a joyful time where friends and family gather to dine, sing and enjoy being together in the Sukkah. But not this year. Once again 2020 has given us a year where we will be kept separate - but safe, and hopefully next year we will all, once again, be able to share with our family and friends and celebrate not only the Chagim but every joyous celebration and life cycle event.

We hope you are all staying well and keeping safe.

Please help us and do your part to keep Israelis healthy by donating to MDA. Donation will help MDA and our 25,000 EMTs and paramedics keep doing what they do best: keep Israelis safe and healthy.

And remember - **Day light saving** starts Sunday 4 October - put your clocks forward from 3 am to 4 am.

Wishing you all Shana Tova, Chag Sameach and a healthy and happy (and COVID free) 5781.

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RECENT NEWS



Summary of MDA Activities during Yom Kippur

This year MDA teams responded to 2,360 calls, of which 1,818 were evacuated to hospital for further treatment.

305 people fainted and suffered dehydration following the fast (an increase of 15% compared to last year).

MDA teams treated 129 people injured while riding bicycles of all kinds and rollerblades, 5 in moderate condition(decrease of 50% compared to last year), 17 people were injured in car accidents and a 54 year old pedestrian was killed in Kfar Nahf. 18 people were injured in a violent attack.1 is in moderate condition.

MDA teams treated & evacuated to the hospitals 136 women in labor, 2 of them gave birth on the way to hospital- in Jerusalem and in Beit Shemesh.

During Yom Kippur MDA continued to fight against the Corona outbreak- 1,595 samples were collected at the Arab sector.

During the holiday, MDA Blood Services supplied 298 blood units and blood components to the hospitals and 38 plasma units to be given to Corona patients (2 units each).

Unfortunately there were 2 incidents of stone throwing by youths towards an MDA ambulances in Hadera.



Mazal Tov to MDA for making the Jerusalem Post's 50 Most Influential Jewish "People" article alongside number 18, Chai!

If you are interested in this project & would like more information please contact the MDA Australia office on (03) 9272 5633 or email info@magendavidadom.com.au

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Whatever the crisis, Israelis look to **Magen David Adom's** EMTs and paramedics to keep them alive in a critical medical emergency.

Right now MDA is fighting tirelessly to keep Israelis healthy amid the pandemic, but supplies and equipment are running low. But you can be there for the people of Israel by contributing to Magen David Adom's High Holidays campaign click link below or go to: <https://www.magendavidadom.com.au/donate-now/>

To keep up to date with MDA in the news in Israel click the Jerusalem Post link below.

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Thank you to all our fabulous members and friends who once again supported MDA by being a part of our 2020 AJN Rosh Hashana greeting to the community. If you would like to be a part of our Rosh Hashana greeting in 2021, please contact our office any time on 03 9272 5633 or email us at info@magendavidadom.com.au





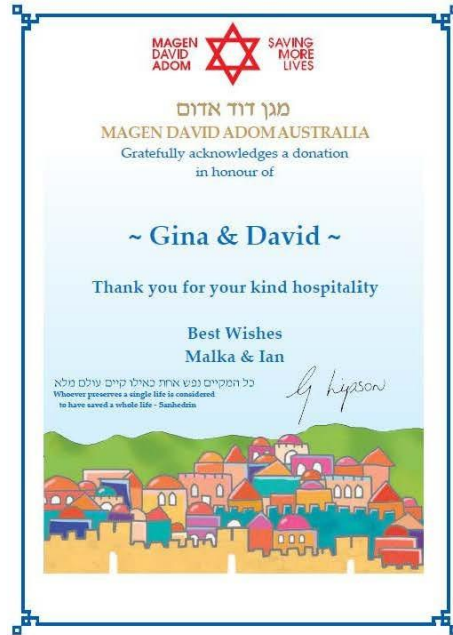
Early in September we were excited to be able to foster the growth of life-saving technology to The Israeli-Arab city of Baqa al-Gharbiyye, (located near Haifa) by presenting the community with a new Mobile Intensive Care Unit.

The MICU will immensely improve the medical services provided by Magen David Adom to residents of Baqa al-Gharbiyye, Emek Hefer, Harish and the surrounding areas.

Over 130 workers and volunteers, including around 50 youth volunteers have staffed the MDA station in Baqa al-Gharbiyye, since its establishment in 2008.



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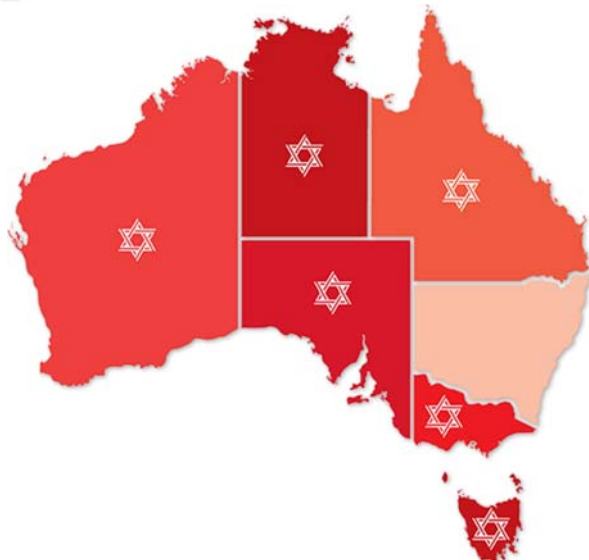


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