






# Field & Forest Education Centers Host Children From The South

*Children on the line of fire find respite at KKL-JNF FFECs*






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***Over the past decades the rural communities and towns in the Gaza vicinity have suffered periods of rocket attacks on their homes and public buildings, a situation which is presently escalating. KKL-JNF extends its moral support to populations in the periphery in need of reinforcement, respite and the knowledge that there are people who care about the families and children affected by the situation. 7 KKL-JNF Youth and Education's Field and Forest Education Centers host groups of children and engage them in quality activities in a serene environment, including lodgings in cabins and hikes in***

## Why is the project important?

-  To protect the children of the southern region and provide them a respite from the tension and fear currently dominating their lives.
-  To provide a balance of rest time and structured activities to maximize the empowering impact of the break.
-  To make positive use of the stressful security situation in the south and expose new populations to the themes and values of KKL-JNF.

## What is the project?

In response to the emergency situation in the southern region, with the launching of Qassams, KKL-JNF's Youth and

Education Department is open to hosting groups of children from the south at their Field and Forest Education Centers. The children spend three days at each, respective center and participate in diverse educational and social activities, including visits to ecological, heritage and forest sites. Participants are selected in cooperation with local community workers in an effort to reach those most in need of respite and others unable to organize or finance such activities independently. Project elements include the cost of transportation, food, overnight facilities, youth counselors, special evening activities and entrance to special attractions/events.

### **What can I do?**

Providing a break from the missiles cannot change the reality of what is happening in the south, but it can help change the way residents, particularly from weaker population groups, cope with and respond to the crisis in their lives. Time away from the missiles gives youngsters a chance to recuperate, recharge their emotional batteries, and continue to function as normally as possible in the completely abnormal situation in which they find themselves. Your donation will allow these youngsters respite from fear and insecurity. In addition, just being at KKL-JNF FFECs will afford them a valuable experience, in and of itself.

### **Background**

KKL-JNF is committed to giving the Negev region and its peripheral communities and towns top priority by creating parks and other projects for the benefit of its inhabitants. The residents of the southern region face an almost unbearable level of security-related anxiety and stress. Missiles from Gaza have caused deaths, physical and psychological injuries, and considerable damage to property. KKL-JNF is there for them and, through this project, taking vulnerable children out of the line of fire and hosting them in a safer environment.

### **Where is the project located?**

KKL-JNF Forest Field Education Centers (FFECs) in the north



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