



ANNUAL REPORT 2025

SEEACH SDD



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DEAR FRIENDS,

Thank you for standing with the Seeach Sod family.

Every day, because of your generosity, children and adults with disabilities are given opportunities that might otherwise be out of reach - opportunities to grow, gain confidence, build friendships, learn Torah, and take part in the world around them.

The past year, 2025, has brought significant challenges for all of us. Amid war, uncertainty, and concern for our people, your commitment to others has been a powerful reminder of what unites us. When we choose kindness and responsibility, we strengthen not only those we help, but the entire fabric of our community.

Thank you for helping create a future filled with dignity, belonging, and possibility.

With many thanks,
Rabbi Shimon Levy 
CEO



Rav Levy, CEO, receiving the Minister of Health's Shield for exemplary work during the Swords of Iron war.



OUR MISSION

Seeach Sod's mission is to enable each person with disabilities to achieve maximum quality of life and self-expression by providing services that are professional, innovative and individualized, in a traditional Jewish environment and in harmony with the community environment of the person being served.

Seeach Sod strives to fully support the families of people with disabilities and to create a change in public awareness, thereby building a better society that accepts each and every person.



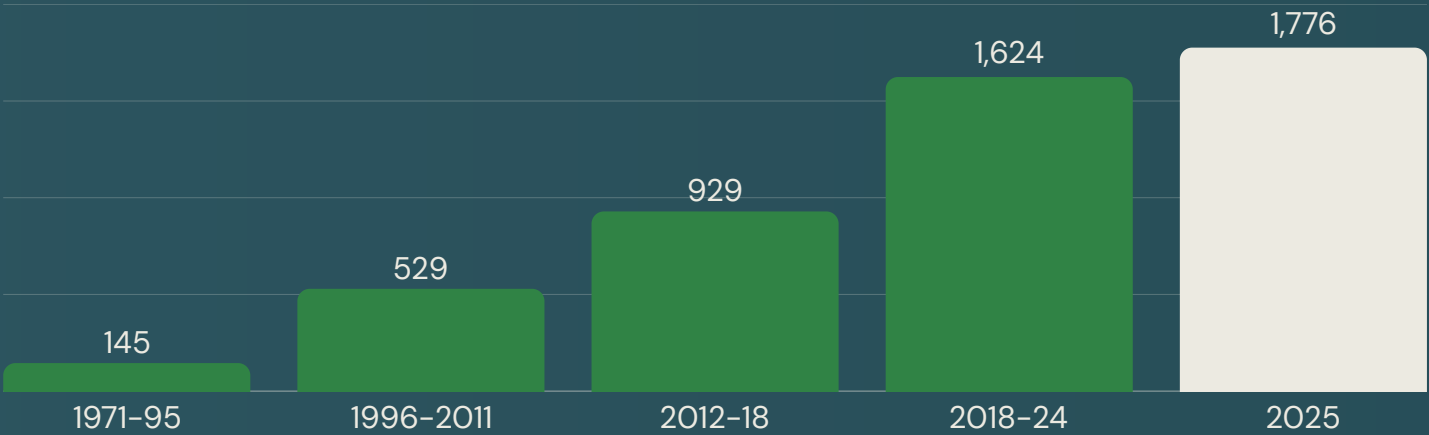

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A special thank you to our partner agencies. We are proud to share a common mission and commitment to serving people with disabilities, and to learn from each other and grow together as we work toward the best possible outcomes for the people we serve.

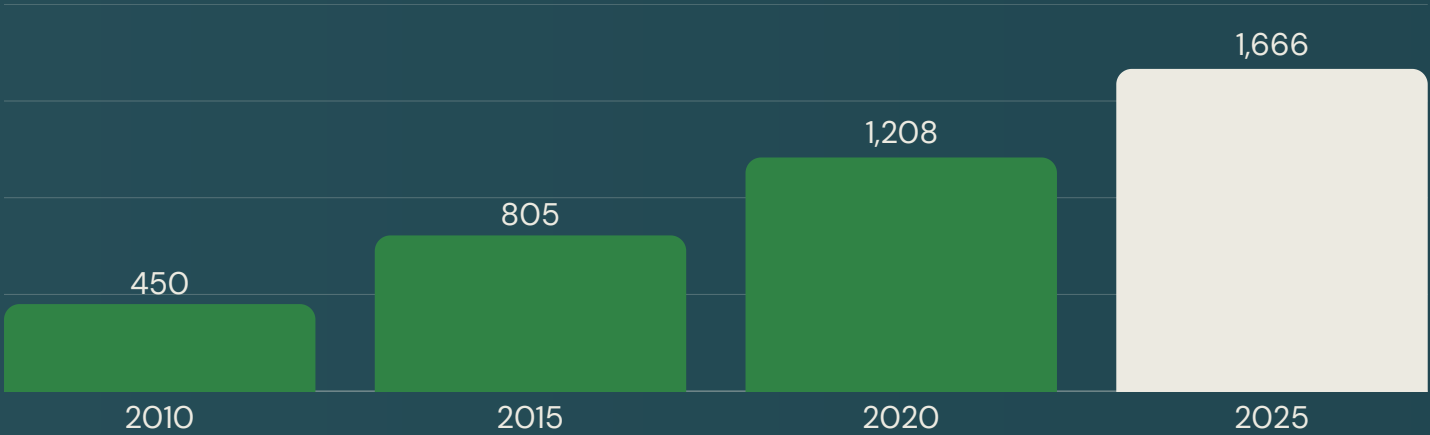


GROWTH OVER THE YEARS

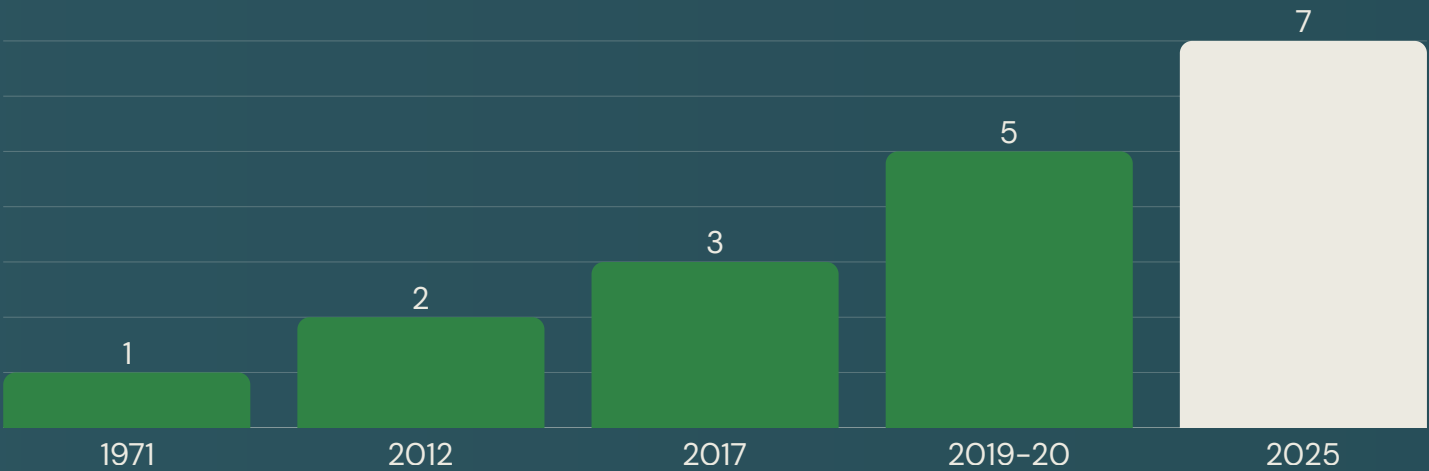
People Served Each Year



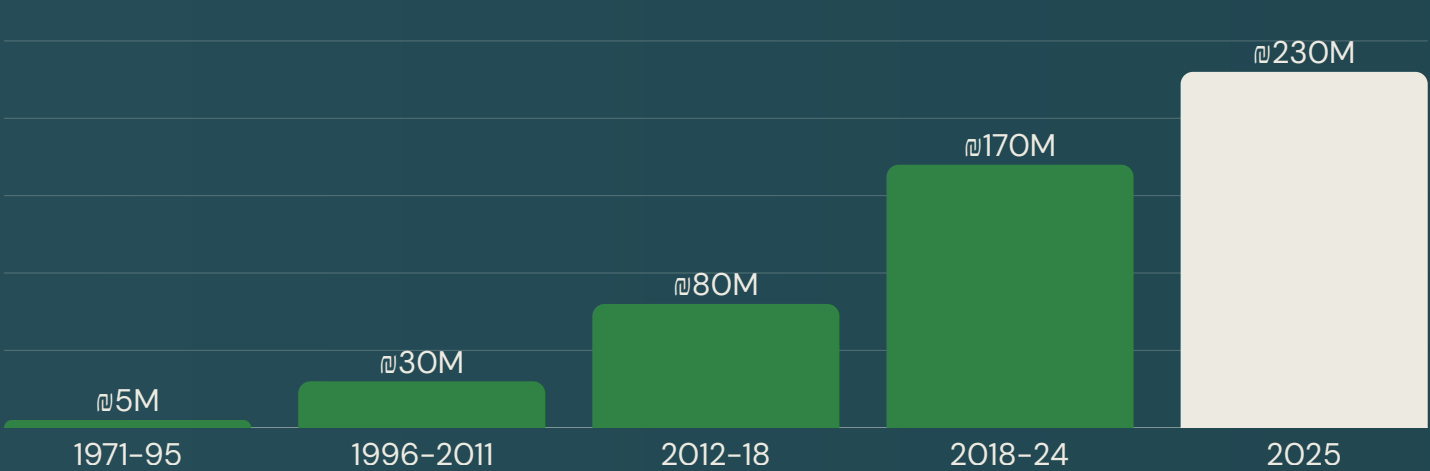
Team Members



Communities Reached (cities with Seeach Sod programs)



Annual Budget





MEET YOSSIE

Yachad Initiative · Birth - 6 Months

Like most babies with Down syndrome, Yossi was born a couple of weeks early. He was small and so fragile, a little miracle nestled against his mother's chest. For months, Yossi's parents had prepared for him. They read books and spoke to neighbors. They thought they were ready for anything.

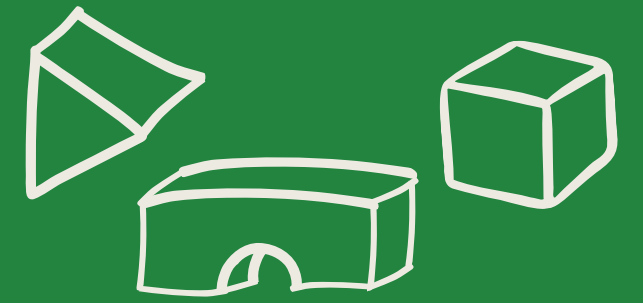
But the world can be a harsh place, and facing it with a brand new baby can be too much for any parent, especially when juggling the unique challenges of a special needs child for the first time.

That is when Yossi's parents found **Seeach Sod's Yachad initiative, which walks beside parents from the moment a child is born** with a disability, offering emotional support and

hands on help navigating bureaucracy, at a time when no other organization was doing so.

For the first time since welcoming Yossi into their family, his parents had **real guidance**: they knew which therapies their health fund was required to cover, which government stipends they could apply for, and who to call the moment a new question came up instead of searching for answers alone at midnight. All they wanted was to enjoy their new baby, and for the first time since his birth, they finally had the support to do so.

→ **2025 milestone**
The Yachad initiative officially launched this year.



EARLY CHILDHOOD

THE EARLY YEARS

Ages ½ - 6 · Early Childhood & Preschool

Yossi grew quickly. He met his milestones and before long was smiling and cooing, though there was no denying the setbacks: he was small, and weaker than other children his age. His parents knew he needed a framework that could support him through his own individual journey, and sending him to a Seeach Sod daycare (our flagship: Ganei Tzlilim) was **an easy choice**.

There, Yossi was one of many children with developmental delays, receiving **comprehensive professional care** with warmth and expertise through a specialized pedagogic approach and an individualized care plan. He learned to hold a spoon and feed himself, took his first independent steps with a physical therapist by his side, and sat with his friends for circle time and morning song. Through our pre-literacy and pre-math programs, he learned to recognize letters, match shapes and colors, and count to ten, the early skills he needs for the classroom ahead.

→ 2025 milestone

We launched Dyadic Therapy, an innovative parent-and-child treatment delivered by certified therapists, shown to significantly advance a child's development.



EARLY CHILDHOOD

RESPITE CARE

Yossi loved being home, and his family loved having him around, but life gets hectic between school, work, chores, and the long lists that come with every chag and simcha. The Savion Respite Centers gave Yossi's parents **exactly what they needed**: for a few days, Yossi was hosted at this mini-hotel, splashing in the pool, baking in the kitchen club, and going on a trip to the petting zoo, while his parents rested and reset.

→ 2025 milestone

We significantly expanded the enrichment programs offered to children, opened a dedicated Gymboree space, and added beds for child.



SCHOOL

REACHING NEW HEIGHTS

Ages 6 - 13

When it came time to go to school, Yossi's parents knew where he needed to be. Finding a place that would tailor itself to their son's individual needs was not easy, and finding one that would also guarantee a real Torah education was nearly impossible, until they found Seeach Sod.

At our flagship school, Otzar Yerushalayim, Yossi continued on his Torah path through a full curriculum at the Talmud Torah, fully adapted to his abilities. He learned to read at his own pace, joined the class trip to the Kotel, sang in the Chanukah play, and learned to ride a two-wheeler in gym class, **the same milestones as any child his age, reached in the way that worked for him.**

→ 2025 milestone

We introduced VR systems, computer rooms, and tablets across school programs, giving students new tools to build communication and social skills.



YESHIVA / HIGH SCHOOL

FINDING HIS PLACE

Ages 13 - 21 · Yeshiva / High School

Yossi never wanted to feel different. He wanted to laugh and play, he got angry and excited, he had hobbies, interests, goals, and dreams, and having a school that fit into his own community was vital to helping him **feel like he belonged**.

At Otzar HaTorah, Yossi had a **true Torah experience**. He wore the same kippah and button-down shirt as everyone else, took pride in his davening, and learned Parsha. Our recently expanded, accessible Gemara program gave him the tools to learn a page of Gemara with a chavruta, prepare his own dvar Torah for the weekend Shabbaton, and keep up with his peers in learning.

→ 2025 milestone

We opened a new music room, where students like Yossi learn to play drums and write their own niggun (tune) , releasing energy and building self confidence, and we expanded our accessible Gemara program so every student can learn and understand just like everyone else.



A JOB WELL EARNED

Ages 21+ · Employment & Day Programs

The last step to Yossi's independence was a job. Like his parents and siblings, he wanted to support himself, to come home, enjoy his paycheck, and **take pride** in the money he worked so hard to earn.

Through the Yecholot Supported Employment Program, Yossi did just that. He found a job he loved and a workplace where he was accepted, learning to clock in on time, follow instructions from a supervisor who wasn't family, count change for a customer, and manage his own paycheck, the practical skills that come with **real, independent work**.

And even better, Yossi was able to continue his religious education too, through the opening of Shaarei Amelim Kollel.

→ 2025 milestone

We developed a specialization for adults on the autism spectrum, and opened a new Kollel.



A HOME OF HIS OWN

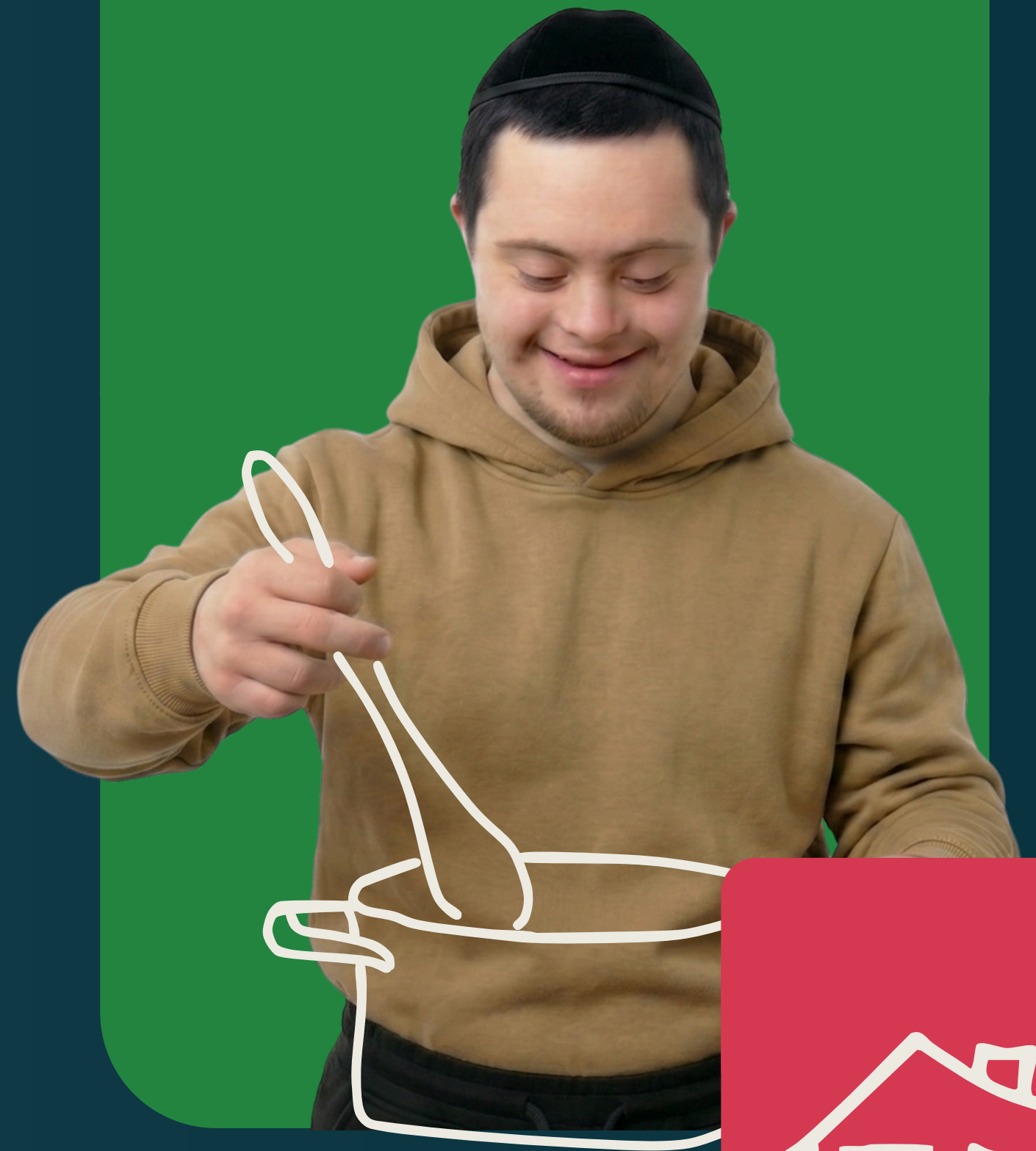
Adults · Community Housing

Yossi's older brothers and sisters had already married, built homes, and started families of their own, and while his path would not look exactly the same, he was determined to gain some of that same independence.

Seeach Sod's community living program, **with over 100 apartments** across the country for every diagnosis and functioning level, made that transition seamless. With a personalized development plan built around his needs and strengths, Yossi achieved independent housekeeping skills, started going for a regular workout at the neighborhood gym, and made friends with the neighbors in his building, all while live-in house parents gave the younger residents the daily guidance and support of a real home.

→ **2025 milestone**

New young-adult apartments opened with live-in house parents who live alongside residents as true parental figures.



FAMILY-SUPPORT SERVICES

IT TAKES A VILLAGE

לגדלם · Supporting the Whole Family

A child's needs do not stop at the child. This year, Seeach Sod continued to invest in the parents and siblings who carry this journey every day.

Siblings' Journey

Special trips were held this year for the brothers and sisters, separately, of children with special needs. Hundreds of teens took part in guided tours to communities near the Gaza border, along with talks and workshops that gave them real language for explaining their sibling's disability to friends, tools for the moments they feel overlooked at home, and the simple relief of knowing other teens carry the exact same thing.

Mothers' Retreat

For another year, mothers of children with special needs came together for a dedicated retreat, with private time with a therapist, workshops on managing stress, and quiet mornings simply to breathe, gaining renewed strength in body and spirit to keep going.



CELEBRATING TOGETHER

MOMENTS THAT BRING US TOGETHER

Special Occasions of 2025

A Sefer Torah Comes Home

Seeach Sod celebrated the joyous hachnasat sefer torah of a new Torah scroll in Bnei Brak, with the whole Seeach Sod family taking part in the dancing and simcha.

A Minister's Visit

Israel's Minister of Education, Yoav Kish, together with senior officials from his ministry and the Jerusalem municipality, toured Seeach Sod's facilities this year to learn firsthand about the world of special education. The Minister called the range of tailored frameworks, tools, and treatments "worthy of real admiration," and told CEO Rabbi Shimon Levy, "You have every reason to be proud."

My Little Package

For Chanukah, students of Maoz Yerushalayim joined together with seminary students from Masoret Rachel for "Ha'pekele Sheli" (My Little Package), a moving original production performed through drama, song, and acting. Its message: to stop comparing ourselves to others and instead see the good, and the gifts, that were sent to each of us alone. Hundreds of women attended the emotional evening.

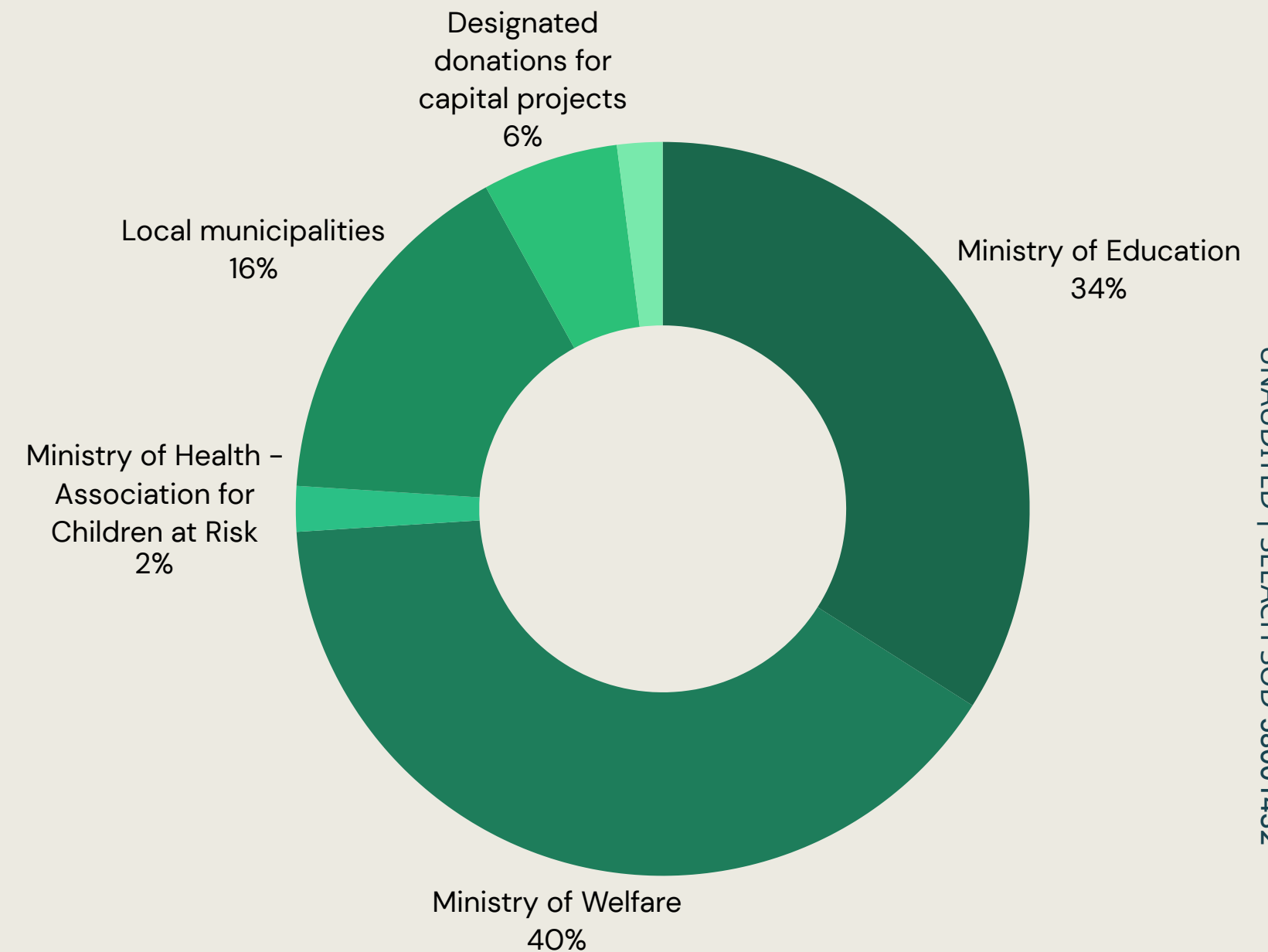
Nofshon Celebrations

Our children's Nofshon respite programs marked the chagim in style this year, with expanded enrichment activities and a brand new Gymboree space adding extra joy to the holidays.



INCOME

FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2025

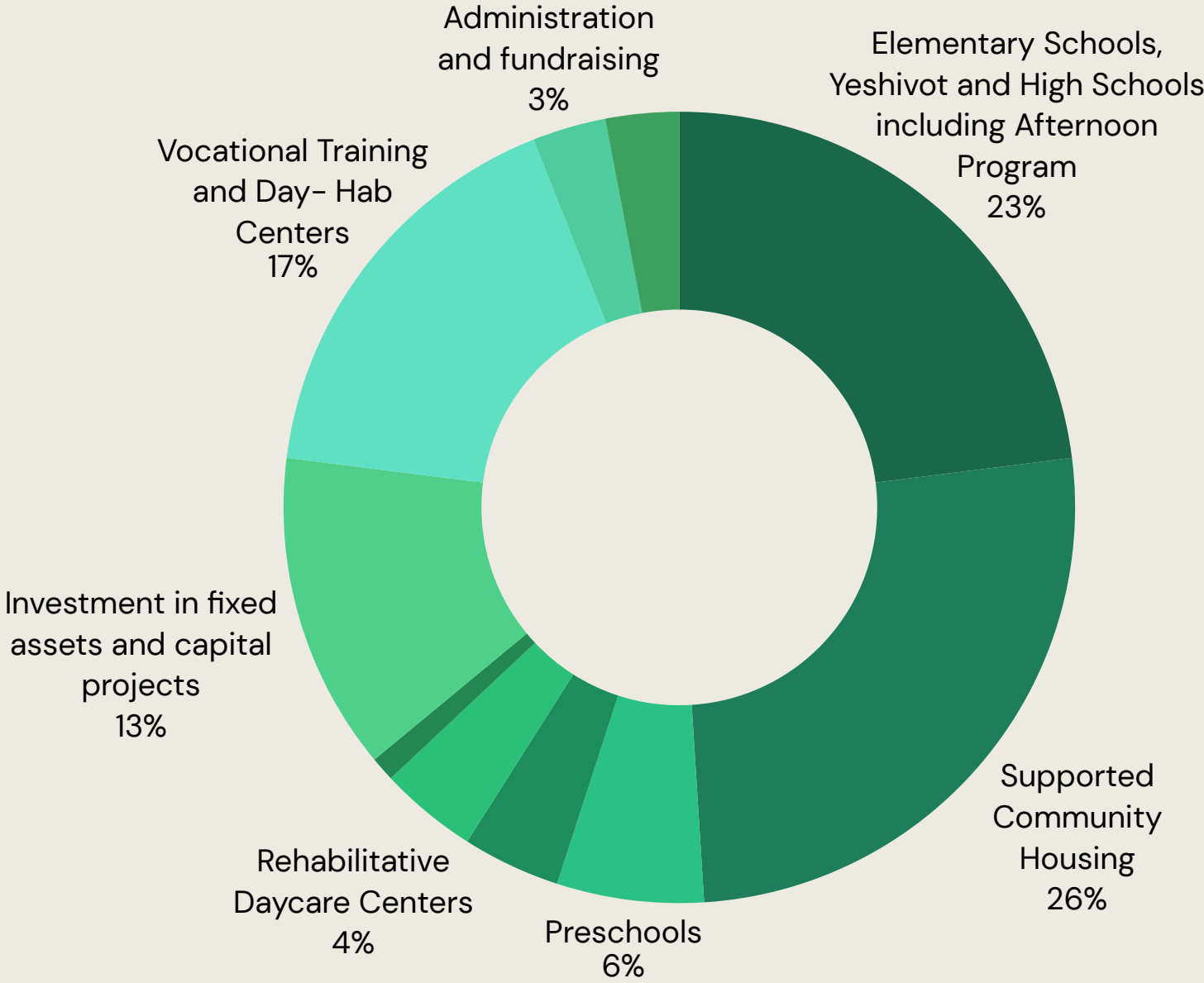


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INCOME **\$70,087,688**

EXPENSES

FINANCIAL
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EXPENSES \$71,397,887

SEEACH SOD CAMPUS, BEIT SHEMESH BREAKING NEW GROUND

We are thrilled to share that construction is well underway on the Seeach Sod Campus in Beit Shemesh, with the first 3 floors set to open this September. This is a landmark project that will bring **comprehensive, professional services for children with special needs** together under one roof for the very first time.

This campus represents a transformative step forward for hundreds of children in Beit Shemesh who currently lack access to the essential support they deserve. Once complete, the campus will house a **dedicated clinic tailored to complex pediatric medical needs**, an advanced therapy institute for physiotherapy teams, a therapeutic swimming pool and more.

As CEO Rav Shimon Levy shares: "This is the dream of Beit Shemesh's children - to receive comprehensive, professional care in one place."

Ground has been broken, and momentum is building. Donation opportunities are now available for those who wish to be part of this historic effort - and **the impact of your partnership will be felt for generations to come.**

Please contact lmendelowitz@seeachsod.org to discuss available dedication opportunities in the building.





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