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This woman thanks us for helping her get through a cold winter.

Postwar Projects in Kiryat Shmona *by Richard Weisskopf*

Did you know it snows in Israel? It is hard to imagine that a country known for its palm-lined streets and sunny beaches could get cold. In fact, the high altitudes of northern Israel drop below freezing in the dead of winter.

I know an elderly lady in Jerusalem originally from Russia. The Nazis killed her father when she was a little girl. Her Russian neighbors were hostile to this fatherless girl whose only crime was being a Jew. She dreamed of a day when she could return to her Promised

Land and live in freedom. That dream became reality for her . . . after she retired.

Like many elderly Russian immigrants, she receives a pension of less than \$450 per month from the government - far below the poverty level. If she were to receive no other help, she would be forced to choose between food, medicine or keeping warm in the winter. This is a decision too many elderly Israelis have to make.

On November 6th, the mayor's office of Kiryat Shmona will host us at a two-day humanitarian event for several of our postwar projects. Words cannot express how grateful we are to organizations helping us carry out most of these projects.

We would like to find more partners and sponsors for our "Warm Winter for the Elderly" project in Kiryat Shmona. The local Social Welfare office has identified 800 elderly people who cannot afford to properly heat their apartments in the winter. We would like to buy thick new blankets for these people. It costs \$20 to provide each blanket. Would you consider sponsoring some of these elderly Israelis?

Your help during Israel's time of need impacts Israeli society. We look forward to seeing Israelis shower you with gratitude.



Rescuers evacuate an elderly ketusha rocket victim.

"Warm Winter for the Elderly" is one of our main projects during the winter months. You can find out more at <http://www.love4israel.org/channukahvideo.html> Funds raised for this project first goes to the 800 people on our list from Kiryat Shmona, then to qualifying elderly throughout Israel. Together we can help comfort these precious souls. Shalom alechem!

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