

CHANNELS OF HOPE FOR ISRAEL'S MOST DESPERATE CHILDREN & FAMILIES

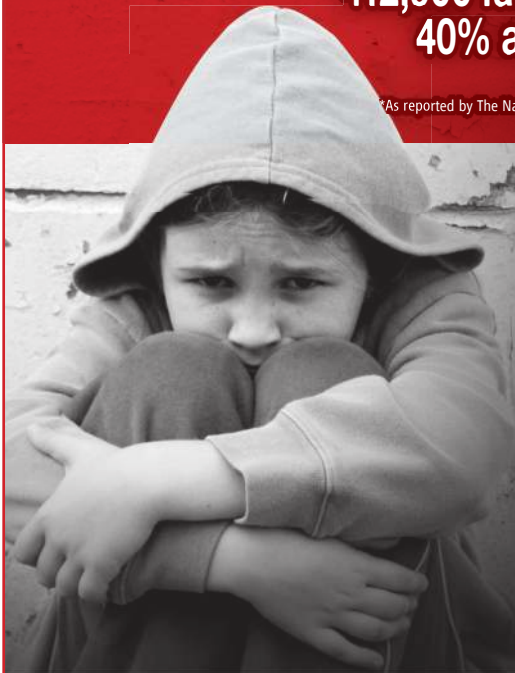
326,588 ISRAELI CHILDREN ARE DEFINED BY WELFARE AUTHORITIES AS CHILDREN AT RISK!

66% of children-at-risk suffer from financial, educational, and behavioral problems!

1,630,400 PEOPLE LIVE IN POVERTY; 774,000 ARE YOUNG CHILDREN!

412,900 families are impoverished;
40% are working families!

As reported by The National Insurance Institute Poverty Report, November 23, 2008



*Give These Innocent Children The Ultimate Chanukah Gift:
The Gift of Hope!*



AFIKIM IS A NETWORK OF AFTERNOON CENTERS FOR CHILDREN-AT-RISK AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Afikim offers both short and long-term enrichment programs that give new hope and opportunity to impoverished families. By focusing on the entire family unit, Afikim aims to empower both the children and parents with the skills and motivation to extricate themselves from the cycle of poverty. Children-at-risk attend the Afikim afternoon centers four afternoons a week, for six continuous years between third and eighth grades. These children benefit from academic assistance, enrichment activities and value-oriented education in a warm,



nurturing environment. Simultaneously, their parents attend the Parental Empowerment Center where they participate in workshops on effective parenting and communication, home and budget management and vocational training. The progress of each child and family is closely monitored to ensure their success. Afikim's afternoon centers offer a long-term enrichment program that gives new hope and opportunities to needy families, helping them advance towards a better, brighter future.

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