

Life Goes on in Neve Zuf



Neve Zuf was founded in 1977 on the site of a police station dating from the British Mandate period. The early pioneering families lived in the abandoned station they called "the fortress". There was one public phone, a communal kitchen and bathroom, but it was home. There are now 230 families living in Neve Zuf. More than forty of them are second generation children who have married and returned! Young couples attract young couples, and mobile homes and single family homes are being grabbed as soon as they become available.

Neve Zuf is a thriving community, one of the first in Samaria. Everyone knows each other and their children; holidays, births and marriages are celebrated together. Unfortunately, during the past years, the community has suffered immeasurable tragedy: two residents were killed, one a mother of young children and one a young soldier. Several others have suffered injuries from terrorist activities; some

will be maimed for life. The people of Neve Zuf don't complain, knowing that people in Israel live a different reality... that sometimes it is a struggle to live in and hold on to G-d's land, recognizing the dangers and treasuring the good times.

CFOIC Heartland has always understood and supported this reality, providing life-saving equipment for Neve Zuf's Rapid Response emergency teams. Neve Zuf has an emergency home beeper system, which allows residents to call for help, accessing local emergency personnel quickly and conveniently, and allowing the municipality, in turn, to notify them, in their homes, in case of an emergency, when immediate and correct information can be the difference between life and death. Many of the units need to be repaired and some replaced.

Security issues are not the only safety concerns. Neve Zuf would like to ensure, that when large numbers of people gather in specific areas, immediate emergency care is available. They would like to purchase two automatic external defibrillators, one to be available in the first aid room at the pool and one to be accessible in the main synagogue. Help the people of Neve Zuf focus on making a normal, meaningful life for themselves, in this special community where everyone is one extended family.

50 units repaired @ \$66 each	\$3,300
20 units replaced @ \$110	2,200
2 automatic external defibrillators	3,300
TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED:	\$8,800

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