

# A Watchful Eye on Ofra

Established in 1975, Ofra is one of the oldest communities in all of Judea and Samaria, and the largest community in the Benjamin region, which lies just north of Jerusalem. Ofra is situated on top of a mountain range, so in winter there are usually a few days of snow, and the weather is cool and breezy all year round. On clear days, residents can look out from their mountaintop backyards and see all the way to Jerusalem.

Ofra is home to the Heart of Benjamin program for children and adults with special needs, with which CFOIC Heartland has been closely involved for many years. You, and other wonderful CFOIC Heartland donors like you, provided much of the funds to construct the beautiful building that is now home to Heart of Benjamin. In addition, you have provided much of the equipment and furnishings for the building, financed camps for children with special needs over the summer and spring breaks, as well as given these “graduates” the gift of steady employment. It is incredible work that can be directly attributed to you.

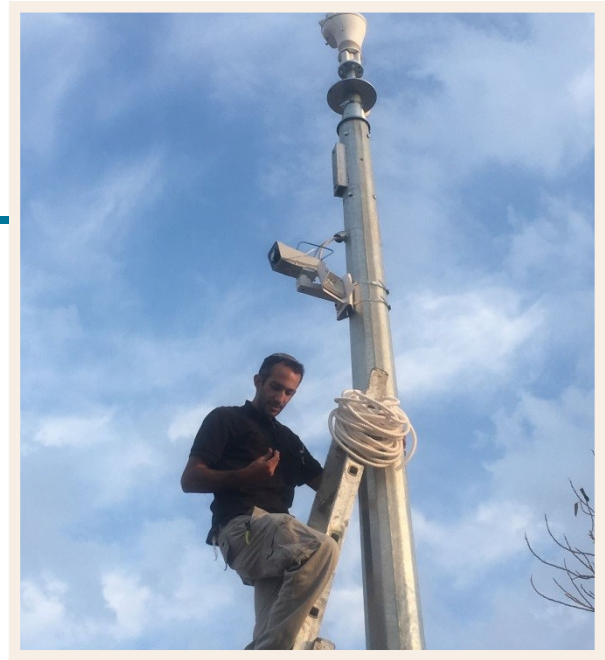


But there are other needs outside of caring for the special-needs population, vital needs that affect all else that happens in Ofra. Of those needs, the largest and most pressing is security.

Since its establishment, residents of Ofra have found themselves at the center of countless horrific terror attacks, both inside the community and along the roads and highways that run just outside it. Ofra’s strategic importance cannot be overlooked, so the residents carry on determinedly with their lives despite ongoing attacks. In the past few years, there have been shootings, stabbings, car ramming attacks, and attempted infiltrations. Most recently, nineteen-year-old Ofra resident Dvir Sorek was stabbed to death on the road to his Gush Etzion yeshiva. The grim reality of the constant danger for Ofra residents is harrowing.

Proper security in this community cannot be compromised, which is why the residents of Ofra are turning to you for help. They are asking for your assistance to purchase a security surveillance drone that will aid in protecting the perimeter of the community from infiltrations and attacks. The current camera system is old and outdated, and cannot fully cover the area necessary to keep residents safe, which includes not just the immediate borders of the community but also the surrounding valleys and wadis. With this drone, Ofra’s rapid response security team will have advance warning of any potential threats to the community, and they will be able to increase their efficiency and response time in effectively meeting these threats.

This is the only hope for Ofra, a community located in such a volatile but crucial spot, to protect itself, its residents, and all Jewish travelers passing by on the highways. Lend your strength to the people of Ofra, and help them defend themselves from their enemies!



- ☆ The community of Ofra has been victimized by terror attacks for decades. In the past, CFOIC Heartland donors have helped Ofra with many different needs, and now they are turning to you again for assistance.
- ☆ Ofra must acquire a surveillance drone to help patrol the community's perimeter and the surrounding areas to minimize threats.

The people of Ofra have turned to you to help protect them in their time of great need. As threats rise and security in the area worsens, the rapid response team is desperate to ensure the safety of their families in the event of an attempted infiltration or terror attacks. A surveillance drone will give Ofra an eye in the sky and a valuable vantage point to detect threats early and save lives. You are their only hope. Help Ofra protect itself!

### Project Budget

Surveillance drone + camera attachments .....\$4,500

**TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED:..... \$4,500**

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