



Kiryat Arba

CARING FOR A SPECIAL NEEDS CHILD

It all began forty-five years ago, when Chaviva and Tzvi Tzachor adopted an abandoned baby girl with severe physical disabilities, including blindness. They gave her the love she needed to grow and develop. However, they struggled every time they had to travel away from their home in Kiryat Arba to Jerusalem, where she received para-medical services. Each treatment involved the financial burden of missing work and the danger of driving on treacherous roads.

Determined to provide their daughter with the treatment she needed, the Tzachors launched the Neve Avraham Child Development Center in their small apartment so that they could be close to home. It wasn't long before the center outgrew their home and moved to a larger facility where it continues to treat the special-needs children of Kiryat Arba, Hebron, and the surrounding area.

Over the years, as Kiryat Arba's population grew, so did the demand for Neve Avraham's services. The center grew to accommodate the community's needs, hiring additional professional staff and expanding the treatments it offered. There is language enrichment for new immigrant children who are hindered by learning disabilities and struggling to learn a new language; physical, occupational, and speech therapy for children with developmental delays, learning, physical, or mental disabilities; and emotional therapy for children suffering from profound traumas after experiencing terrorist attacks or the loss of a close family member.

Neve Avraham continues to add new methods and therapies to better cater to the specific needs of the children of Kiryat Arba. It also offers art, movement, and animal therapy; workshops for parents of children with ADHD; and workshops for children to help them with social skills. To ensure top-quality services, the center requires its staff to attend regular professional development courses. Subsidies from the national health services cover the costs of actual therapy. However, they need additional funding for continuing education for the therapists and the workshops, which are vital in assisting the children.

The Neve Avraham Child Development Center wants to provide ongoing professional development for its staff to ensure every child receives superior care. They also need to teach parents how to support their special-needs children so they can reach their greatest potential. Your gift to the Neve Avraham Child Development Center is an investment in Kiryat Arba and Hebron's children and the future of Biblical Israel!

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

- ☆ **Biblical Significance:** adjacent to the ancient holy city of Hebron, home of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob and Leah, as well as their burial place — the Cave of Machpelah
- ☆ **Origin of Name:** Kiryat Arba is noted in the Bible as a synonym for Hebron
- ☆ **Founded:** 1971, following a valiant struggle by families who had first settled in Hebron in 1968
- ☆ **Population:** 1,700 families



Children receive the help they need to develop and reach new heights at the Neve Avraham Child Development Center



The center offers physical, occupational, speech & emotional therapy for developmentally delayed and disabled children

NEVE AVRAHAM DEVELOPMENT CENTER

PROJECT BUDGET

Continuing Education for Staff	\$30,200
Workshops For Parents of ADHD Children	2,800
Social Skills Workshops for Children.....	1,450
TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED	\$34,450

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