Alei Zahav PROTECTING CHILDREN AT HOME AND PLAY

It is easy to see why so many young families flock to Alei Zahav. Surrounded by the panoramic views of Samaria, the community offers affordable, spacious homes right in the center of Israel. While visiting Alei Zahav, I sat with community leaders, including their security officer, who somberly reported the reality they face every day—scuffles, infiltrations, and burglaries—regularly committed by local Arabs. Having moved to Samaria from the U.S., I expected a relatively formal meeting. Yet, knowing Israeli culture is characteristically informal and family-oriented, I was only mildly surprised to see a young child present at our meeting. The toddler was perfectly well behaved, yet his presence was keenly felt as his little hand reached for a cookie from the table and when his drink spilled. It conveyed a clear message about Alei Zahav— families come first.

Alei Zahav is a rapidly developing, vibrant community at the Western edge of Samaria. It currently has 350 families, with plans to build 350 additional homes in the coming years. But just beyond the warm and lively suburban-like community lies a grim security situation. Surveillance cameras enable security team members to respond to potential threats before they become full-fledged attacks quickly. Alei Zahav desperately needs to extend its current security and surveillance system to cover a new neighborhood where homes just finished construction. The families have recently moved in, and Alei Zahav needs your help to protect all its residents.

Alei Zahav recently constructed a new athletic field, where children can run around, play sports after school, and attend recreational programs, including a regional flag football club. But the area remains unused. Before the children are allowed to use the field, security experts require that surveillance cameras and a restricted access gate are installed to ensure the children's safety. The area is especially vulnerable because the field is located near the community's industrial area, where Arab laborers are only steps away from playing children as they leave work each day.

Alei Zahav desperately needs your help to purchase vital security and surveillance equipment to keep an eagle-eyed watch over a brand new neighborhood and protect children playing on their new athletic field. Your support will enable this community to protect families in their homes and children out playing sports from terrorist threats. Please help keep the men, women, and children of Alei Zahav safe as they settle the Biblical Heartland.

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

p Founded: 1983

★ Location: Western Samaria, about
 15 kilometers from Ariel

- Strategic Significance: Overlooks Ben Gurion International Airport
- ❖ Origin of Name: Named in honor of Aliza Begin, wife of Menachem Begin, the first Israeli prime minister to support the settlement movement in Judea and Samaria



Its central location, affordable homes and vibrant community life draw lots of young families to Alei Zahav



A brand new neighborhood and recreational area are not covered by their existing surveillance system

ALEI ZAHAV SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

PROJECT BUDGET

TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED\$134,600

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