



Sussy

PROTECTING THE SHEPHERDS OF JUDEA

When Dalya and Yair were first married, they shared a strong connection to the land of the Bible and a deep connection to God. Their shared values awakened in them a yearning to farm in the Biblical Heartland. They searched for the right community and relocated to Sussy, in the Hebron hills. The couple lived modestly, farming and raising their growing family. Yair became a Jewish shepherd, wanting to follow in the footsteps of Jacob, Joseph, and King David. At the same time, Dalia made goat milk products and sold organic flours, a pioneering enterprise in Israel, at that time.

One evening, in 2001, at the height of the second Intifada, the flock returned to their pen alone. Yair was ambushed by terrorists while tending his flocks and brutally murdered. Dalia, a widow with nine children, decided to continue the couples' shared vision, and with the help of many volunteers, the farm grew and flourished. But the danger is constantly lurking.

The people of Sussy, living in relative isolation, share a biblical vision—to revive their divinely-given ancestral homeland. Their common goal forged strong bonds among residents and created a warm and supportive community. Life in Sussy is simple: many of the residents are salt-of-the-earth kind of folks, shepherds and farmers, deeply connected to agriculture and settling Biblical Israel.

Sussy's perimeter, formed by farmlands and wide-open pastures, makes it vulnerable to regular hostile attacks from nearby Arab residents. They employ a security officer, who patrols the area and manages a team of first responders, but the open terrain is challenging to defend. A drone and tactical binoculars would significantly strengthen Sussy's ability to protect its men, women, and children.

Regular hostile infiltrations often result in stolen livestock. Attacks on Jewish shepherds and shepherdesses while tending their flocks are commonplace. Often, the terrorists attack and then run away, making it impossible to catch the perpetrators or deter further attacks. A camera in the hand of Jewish pioneers has proven to be a strong deterrent, capturing the attackers in the act and providing information for law-enforcement officials.

Sussy needs to purchase a drone and cameras to strengthen its surveillance and deter hostile attacks. These inspiring pioneers are farmers, whole-heartedly dedicated to reviving their divinely-given land with humility and modesty. Please help support these special people and ensure their safety in Biblical Israel.

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

- ☆ **Founded:** 1983
- ☆ **Location:** Hebron Hills, Judea
- ☆ **Origin of Name:** Named after adjacent ancient Sussya, a 2nd century Jewish village
- ☆ **Population:** 200 families



Sussya farmers and shepherds are regularly harrassed and attacked by hostile Arab neighbors



Sussya is characterized by wide open pastures, and a warm community committed to reviving Jewish life in Biblical Israel

SUSSYA SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

PROJECT BUDGET

Surveillance Drone	\$3,600
Surveillance Cameras.....	2,400
Tactical Binoculars.....	500
TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED	\$6,500

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